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Thursday 27 July, 2023

Dates To Remember

TERM THREE

Friday 28th July Year 5 Narmbool Camp returns

Friday 28th July 100 Days of Prep

Monday 31st July Assembly - 2.40pm

Friday 4th August Tree planting day

Monday 7th August Hooptime - selected Year 3 and 4 students

Monday 7th - Friday 11th August ICAS - Digital Technologies

Tuesday 8th August Year 1 excursion - Museum of Play and Art

Wednesday 9th August Prep Incursion - Toys in Motion

Wednesday 9th August School Council 6pm

Monday 14th August Assembly - 2.40pm

Monday 14th - Thursday 17th August ICAS - English

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Friday 18th August Curriculum Day

Assistant Principals News

YEAR 5 CAMP

Our first camp of the year began yesterday with our Year 5 students heading out to Sovereign Hill. As part of our curriculum focus students will be attending the Narmbool Environmental Discovery Camp in conjunction with an excursion to Sovereign Hill.

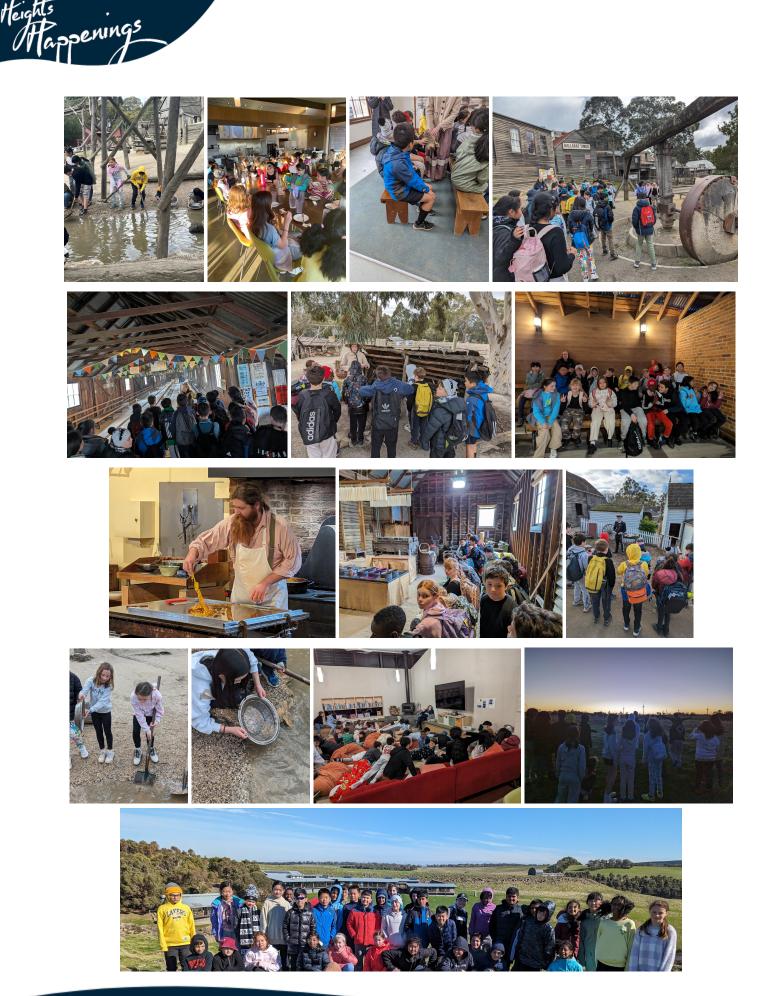
The students will have the opportunity to experience panning for gold and a chance to explore the gold mines. From there they will then head to Narmbool where the staff have prepared a program based on the Victorian Science Curriculum. Narmbool allows students to explore the magnificent bushland and pastures with a focus on environmental science, Australian history and the arts.

A big thank you to Mrs Douglas and Mr Sandy for organising and attending this camp and to our parent volunteer, Catherine and our ES staff member, Bek. Without our community's support, camps would not be able to go ahead.

We will be posting updates and photos on our Facebook page for parents to enjoy! We will utilise Sentral to communicate the expected return time on Friday. Unfortunately traffic can alter plans considerably.











INQUIRY SHOWCASE - CHANGE OF DATE!

We are super excited about the inquiry showcase for years 3 - 6 and advertised a date in last weeks newsletter. However, we have moved the date to **TUESDAY 5th SEPTEMBER**, 2023.

This is in week 9 and allows students a little extra time to complete their projects.

100 DAYS OF PREP

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Friday marks 100 Days of Prep for our Prep students! To celebrate the Prep students will be dressing up like they are 100 years old, participating in a parade and lots of other activities with a 100 focus. Activities include writing about what things they would like 100 of, going on a treasure hunt to collect 100 hearts (because they love prep) and making a 100 days school crown. Congratulations Preps and enjoy your 100th day!

NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY

This weekend is National Tree Planting Day and to celebrate the sustainability team will be planting trees and shrubs generously donated by Datacom and HP. Datacom and HP are providing the school with \$1000 of plants for the sensory garden to enable the school to participate in the Planet Ark National Tree Planting Day program as part of their joint sustainability initiative. Datacom and HP staff will be volunteering their time to assist the schoo'sl Sustainability Team to prepare the garden and plant the new shrubs next Friday August 4th.

SIBLING ENROLMENTS

Just a reminder to please send in your enrolment forms if you have a child commencing Prep next year. The closing date for enrolments is Friday 28th July - tomorrow. We would hate for any of our current families to miss out on a spot for next year.

Let's celebrate...

- Sharon enjoying a well deserved holiday with her family!
- Our Year 5's having a wonderful week on camp
- The beautiful sunshine this week

Carolyn Datson

Assistant Principal





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We have been asked to remind parents to do the right thing around our school crossings. Please be aware around crossings for the safety of your child, other children, parents and the community.







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<u> Prep – Year 2</u>

We have been focusing on our Soccer skills in light of the World Cup. Students have been learning the skills of soccer such as dribbling the ball, goal kicking and passing the ball without using their hands!!

Year 3/4 Sport

Over the next term students in years 3 and 4 will be learning the skills and strategies to play Netball, Soccer Rounders and Volleystars. Students are learning these games in preparation for when they are in Year 5/6 and attend interschool sports.

During PE sessions students will continue to learn the fundamentals of PE with a focus on striking and fielding games. We are looking forward to a visit from Softball Victoria who will help to develop their skills and learn to play full loaded softball.

<u>Year 5/6 PE</u>

This term students are focusing on Net and Wall games. They are learning the skills and strategies that are needed to play these sports such as moving into space, placement of the ball and defending an area. So that students understand the importance of their fundamentals skills in PE, there are many discussions held throughout our lessons.

Footy Day

Don't forget our footy day on the last day of term. It will be filled with lots of footy activities and even a footy parade. Keep an eye on the newsletter for more information.





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Premiers Reading Challenge



Only 43 days to go!

Congratulations to the **23 students** who have already completed the reading challenge. As a school, students have read and registered **3142 books**! The challenge ends on 8th September 2023, so keep adding those books online.

To complete the challenge, students in Prep to Year 2 need to read or experience 30 books, including at least 20 books that are classified as Challenge books. Students from Year 3 to Year 6 need to read 15 books, including at least 10 Challenge books. Just to clarify, you are unable to physically read the books on the challenge website. There is also the option for students to write a book review when adding the books, but this step is not compulsory and can be skipped.

If you have any questions about the reading challenge, please contact me over Sentral portal messaging.



Happy reading!

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<u>Year I and 6 Buddies</u>





On Monday, Year I and 6 students had a wonderful time at Buddies playing cooperative games. One of the games included 'Threading the hoop', where students formed a large circle and held hands. Without breaking the circle the challenge was for students to then pass a hula hoop around and end at the starting point. It was fantastic to see everyone working as a team and celebrating each others' success.





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PA News



MOVIE NIGHT

The Parents' Association (PA) is planning a movie night fundraiser at Showbiz cinema in Pinewood Shopping Village. Students, friends and families are welcome.

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles will be released on 7th September. We have arranged to get in on the opening weekend so you will be one of the first to see it!

More details in this link: https://forms.gle/PUBdEiZu8LqsmyA29

Please let us know by 2nd August if you would be interested in booking so we can finalise the details.

Note: Children must be accompanied and supervised by adults.

Lisa Wong

Parents Association President





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Lunchtime clubs are back for Term 3 with a new addition - Dance Club!

Activity	Day	Time
Wellbeing Club	Every Day	Lunchtime
Basketball Club Year 3 - 4	Monday	recess
Art club all years	Monday	1st half lunch
Chess - run by Kids unlimited	Monday	lunchtime
Basketball Club Year 5 -6	Tuesday	recess
Music Club Years 4 - 6	Tuesday	1st half lunch
SRC	Thursday	1st half lunch
Sustainability	Friday	1st half lunch
Dance Club - Prep - 2's and 3 -6's alternate weeks	Friday	2nd half of lunch









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Recycle your Bread bags!!

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Final days!! Please send in any bread bags by Tuesday 1st August.

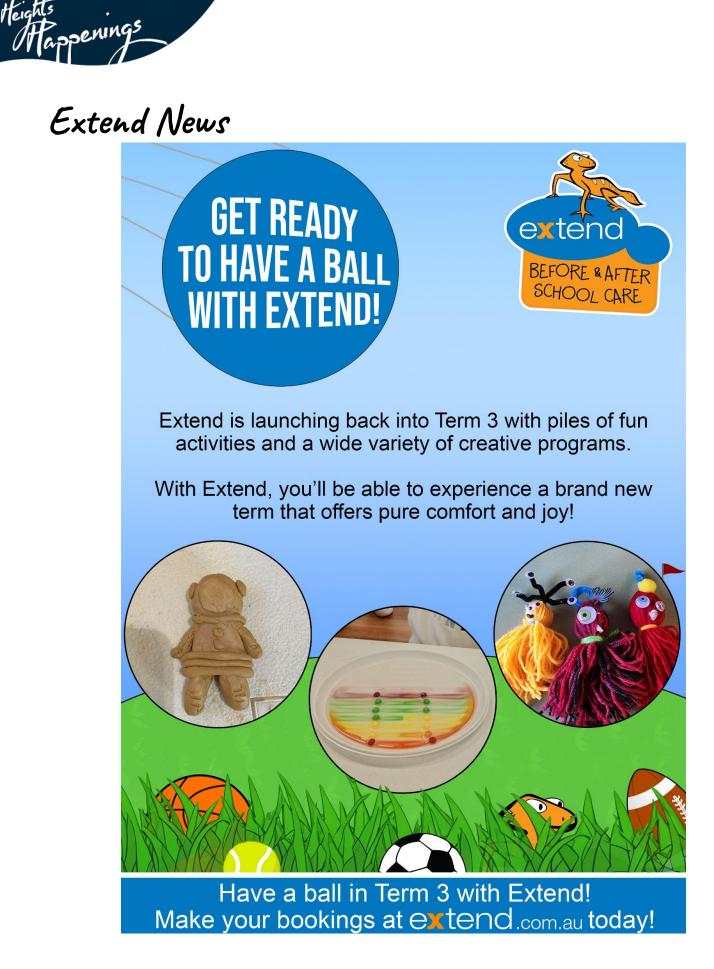
Send in your empty bread bags and place them in our Wonder Pink collection box. The more we collect, the more points we earn to redeem new sports equipment! We have a Pink box collection point in the office.







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