

# St. Michael's

**Primary School** 

Heyfield

# NEWSLETTER No. 6



## **DIARY DATES**

#### TERM 2

#### **APRIL**

Sunday 25th Anzac Day
Monday 26th P/1 Swimming
Monday 26th - Insight SRC Survey
Wednesday 28th Sport - Mr Peavey
P/1 Swimming

Pupil Free Day - Staff PD - RE

**MAY** 

Friday 30th

Monday 3rd P/1 Swimming
Wednesday 5th Sport - Mr Peavey

P/1 Swimming

Thursday 6th Cross Country - 11.30am-1pm
Friday 7th Mother's Day Stall - \$5 per student

Book Club Orders due

Monday 10th HDSSA Cross Country

P/1 Swimming

Tuesday 11th NAPLAN Wednesday 12th NAPLAN

P/1 Swimming

Thursday 13th NAPLAN

Friday 21st Catholic Education Week begins

Wednesday 26th Open Day - 9am-11am Thursday 27th Open Day—9am-11am

#### **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

#### Dear Families,

Welcome to term 2! We hope you all had the opportunity to celebrate Easter and spend time with your families. The students have settled into their routine easily this week and have certainly enjoyed catching up with friends. It always puts a smile on our face to see the 'buzz' of excitement upon returning after a break. We are looking forward to another busy and productive term with lots of exciting things happening in our classrooms.

#### **TERM DATES 2021**

Term Dates

TERM 2 - 19 April - 25 June TERM 3 - 12 July - 17 September TERM 4 - 4 October - 17 December

#### **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Term 2 - Monday 14 June (Queen's Birthday)

This Sunday is ANZAC Day. We thank our school captains, Phoenix and Stella, for representing our school at the local service being held at the cenotaph commencing 9am. Phoenix and Stella will lay a wreath on behalf of St. Michael's. This year local services are a little bit different to comply with government guidelines. While students have been respectfully requested not to march this year, the significance of this day remains in our thoughts for those that gave so much. By keeping the ANZAC spirit alive and a part of our traditions, we bring awareness to our children to respect those who sacrificed and served our beautiful country. ANZAC Day promotes national pride, freedom and the true meaning of courage

Enjoy your weekend, gade Wheeler Deputy Principal

and mateship.

## SCHOOL CAPTAINS' MESSAGE

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a great holiday. We welcome Zara and Archie to our school. We are looking forward to a great term ahead.

Phoenix and Stella





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St Michael's Primary School acknowledge and pay our respects to the Gunaikurnai people, traditional custodians of the land on which the school is built. As a school community, we commit to walk alongside our First Nations people for reconciliation, truth and justice.



LEST WE FORGET







## **DUCK CUP RACE**

Once again, our Duck Cup race was held as a closed event and was live streamed due to Covid-19 regulations and guidelines. Thank you to all of our sponsors, our families and friends for your generosity - this has been a very successful fundraiser. With the tickets being priced at \$10 each, all tickets were sold!

A big thank you to the P&F Committee for getting this organised and a special thank you to Barry Donahoe for being our official scrutineer.

#### THE WINNERS were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$1000 Des McKenzie 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500 Endeavour Group

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$250 Jane Miller

#### Lucky Duck Winners \$50 each:

Maffra Vision Care Stag & Doe Café Jade Wheeler Lauren Bayliss Desiree Billings

Sponsor Prize - Moorings at Metung: Quick Cuppa

Café 3858 Voucher: Caz Escreet

A big THANK YOU to Endeavour Group and Desiree Billings as they have decided to donate their winnings back to the school. This will be put to good use to benefit your children at our school.



#### **SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY - RE**

We are having a closure day on Friday, 30th April, for Religious Education. The focus on the day will be on teaching Scripture and the presenter is Marg Carswell. She is a professor at the Australian Catholic University and has worked extensively to bring Scripture alive to students all over the world. We hope that the same passion will inspire us and support us in connecting the children's religious education to their own lives.

#### **PROJECT COMPASSION**

During Lent we are asked to think of others and what we can do for them. Being at a Catholic school, we are asked to take action to make the world a better and fairer place.

Money was raised from selling icy poles at recess (\$202.25) and through the caritas boxes (\$269.60) - all up the total raised was: \$471.85.

This money will be donated to Caritas and will help a family somewhere in the world.



The grade that raised the most was Room 4 with \$158.30, then came Room 3 with \$74.60, Room 2 with \$21.70 and Room 5 raised \$15.00.

#### **WELCOME**

We welcome Zara and Archie and their family to St Michael's. Zara and Archie commenced on Monday and are in class 4/5 and 2/3 respectively. We hope you have a great time here at St Michael's.



#### **FAREWELL**



We would also like to farewell Emily D and her family as they have moved away. Emily will be missed by everyone here and we wish her all the very best at her new school.

#### **CONDOLENCES**

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Hole family as they mourn the passing of Kellie's father-in-law and Cooper's grandfather, Malcolm. Malcolm will be missed by many within the Heyfield community and afar.

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. Unseen, unheard, but always near, so loved, so missed, so very dear.

— Anonymous



#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Mrs Miller and her family on the safe arrival of their new grandson 'Zephyr Addison'. We wish Jane and Alex all the very best as new parents and we're sure Jenny will be around for cuddles quite often!



#### **MOTHER'S DAY STALL**

P&F will be running the Mother's Day Stall on Friday, 7th May. Children will be making their own wrapping paper for the presents they choose from the stall. If you would like your child to purchase a present, please give your child \$5.00 to bring along on or before the day.



#### **INSIGHT SRC SURVEYS**

Every family will be receiving information about the Insight SRC survey on Monday. We hope you will take the time to fill out the paper survey and return it to school.

Alternatively, you may prefer to do the online survey — instructions for this are included in your information pack. The feedback from this is used when we begin planning our school's annual improvement plan for 2022. Staff and students from Year 3-6 also complete the survey so that we obtain information from most of our school community.



#### **BOOK CLUB ORDERS**

Scholastic Book Club catalogues
K will be sent home with students
next Monday. Please place
orders before Friday, 10th May.



Happy Birthday to the following people who have celebrated their birthday over the holidays.

Stella 15th April Mrs Marie 16th April

#### THURSDAY FUN DAY

The last day of term was a great day for students to finish on. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning the circus tricks and having their faces painted but I think they enjoyed the Easter egg hunt the best! Thank you to the P&F for arranging Fizzy Entertainment for the face painting and glitter tattoos, as well as supplying the Easter eggs for the raffle and egg hunt.







## 1st April

**Kaylee** - for always taking the time to greet people and make them feel special.

# 24th April

**Alex** - for being organised in the classroom. Well Done!! **Yvette** - for her diary entry on ANZAC day. Well done on your interesting writing.

**Henry** - for his diary entry writing on ANZAC day. Very informative.

Archie - for making a wonderful start in his new school!

Zara - for making a wonderful start in her new school!

Indyrose - for her excellent reading. Keep it up Indyrose!

Caleb - for using his gifts in mathematics to guide and support his peers. Well Done!

**Noah** - for making a positive start to Term 2 in all areas of School life.



# ANZAC Artwork





#### P-1 SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons at Kemp Aquatics for Years Prep & 1 will



commence on Monday 26th April and run for the next four weeks, on Monday and Wednesday. Please make sure all items of clothing are labelled with a name.

#### WINTER UNIFORM

From next week, we expect all students to be wearing winter uniform. We are currently working on some small issues as there is a shortage on some items from the supplier. If you have any concerns please let us know.

We ask boys to be wearing their long grey school pants and girls can wear long navy dress (gabardine) pants with a white button up school shirt as an option or if you are waiting to source the pinafore. Please support us in sending your children to school in the correct uniform. A note is required if your child is not in the correct uniform.

Now is a good time to check labelling of uniform, especially jumpers, making sure names are clearly visible on clothing items.

Sports days this term will continue to be on Monday and Wednesday.

#### **EASTER CELEBRATIONS**

In the last week of term, we celebrated Holy Week, the days which we journey with Jesus on his way of the cross and anticipate his Resurrection on Easter.

Each morning a different class prepared and led us in an 'action prayer' to commemorate the Passion, death and resurrection of Jesus.





# 2021 DUCK CUP

**THANK YOU** to the following businesses for their sponsorship of this year's

Duck Cup. Your support greatly contributes to helping our children.

**ACE Training** Aldersea & Higgins Electrical Contractors Australian Sustainable Hardwoods **Brian Higgins Insurance Services** Café 3858 D & J O'Brien Plumbing **Endeavour Group Fulham Correctional Centre** Gippsland Pest & Weed Control Gippsland Real Estate - Heyfield **Heyfield Family Dental Care Heyfield Garden Supplies Heyfield Medical Centre** Heyfield Newsagency **Heyfield Signs Invictus Windows** 

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