



NEWSLETTER No. 6

Friday, 28th April, 2023



DIARY DATES

TERM 2

APRIL

Saturday 29th Confirmation Commitment Mass

MAY

Thursday 4th Junior Swimming commences

Saturday 6th Confirmation Commitment Mass

Monday 8th School Cross Country Carnival

Thursday 11th Junior Swimming

School Photographs

Friday 12th Resource Centre Friday Talk

P & F Mothers' Day Stall

Sunday 14th Mothers' Day

Monday 15th HDSSA Cross Country

Tuesday 16th School Counsellor

Wednesday 17th Tree Planting at the Pump Track

Thursday 18th Junior Swimming

Friday 19th Catholic Education Week launch

Walk Safely to School Day

Monday 22nd Wellington Cross Country

Tuesday 23rd Whole School Mass for Catholic Ed Wk

Confirmation Parent/Child Workshop

Wednesday 24th Open Day 9am—11am

Thursday 25th Open Day 9am—11am

Junior Swimming

Sale Eisteddfod

Friday 26th Peace Mass at CCS Sale

Saturday 27th Confirmation 6pm

Wednesday 31st School Advisory Committee AGM

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to term 2 everyone. I hope you have all had the opportunity to celebrate Easter and spend time with your families. Holidays are the time when we get the chance to catch up with family members and realise how important they are in our lives, even when they annoy and frustrate

TERM DATES 2023



TERM 2 - 24 April - 23 June

TERM 3 - 10 July - 15 September

TERM 4 - 2 October - 21 December

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Monarch's Birthday 12 June

Melb Cup 7 November

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

23/6/23

15/9/23

6/11/23

us! No one else has that intimate shared history with you and can recall what you were like as a child or compare you to parents, grandparents and even great grandparents. That sense of belonging is an integral part of our identity. So.... when your kids are driving you nuts on the holidays and you can't wait for school to start again, remind yourself that you are giving them the security of family and their sense of place in the world. And be thankful to your child's teachers during term times!

SCHOOL CAPTAINS' MESSAGE

Welcome back everyone. It's been a great start to term 2.

Our new whole school focus is 'Friendship'. Friendships are really important and you always need to be kind to your friends. We were very proud of everyone

who represented St Michael's at

the Anzac Day Service and they were very respectful. Special thanks to Yvette, Lily and Eva for singing the National Anthem at the end of the Service. We are looking forward to another great term.



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.





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SWIMMING

Junior swimming will commence on Thursday, 4th May. The P-2 students will be going to Kemp Aquatics every Thursday for 8 weeks and will travel by bus over to Maffra.



MOTHER'S DAY STALL

P & F will be running the Mother's Day Stall on Friday, 5th 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 for their mother or another significant female role model in their lives, please give your child \$5 per present to bring along on or before the day.



INSIGHT SRC SURVEYS

Everyone will be receiving an envelope soon with an Insight SRC survey for parents/carers. If you have been with us for a while you will have realised that this is an annual survey. Everyone in our school community is surveyed, parents, staff and students. We use the information to set the direction for 2024 and make our school the best learning environment for our students that it can be. Please take the time to complete this survey as the more responses we have, the better information we have to work from.

WINTER UNIFORM

From next week, everyone is expected to be wearing winter uniform.

The 3-6 students will wear their regular uniform on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays (non-sports days). Sports days continue to be Mondays and Wednesdays for the 3-6.

The Prep-2 students will be wearing sports uniform on Mondays and Thursdays due to swimming lessons and wear their regular uniform on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

We ask parents to support us in making sure their child or children are in the correct uniform, this includes socks and shoes. If you are having difficulty with obtaining uniform, please come and see Jenny Miller.

ST MICHAEL'S WINTER UNIFORM

ALL STUDENTS
Woolen Jumper
Navy soft shell jacket
with logo (optional)



BOYS' UNIFORM
Short Sleeve blue shirt with logo
Grey long pants
Grey socks
Black school shoes



GIRLS' UNIFORM
Option 1
Winter tunic or skirt
Long sleeve white shirt
Navy knee high socks or navy tights
Black school shoes
Option 2
Navy dress pants
Long sleeve white shirt
Navy socks
Black school shoes



FAREWELL

It is with sadness that we are farewelling Yugi from the 1/2 class this term. Yugi and his family have moved to another town. We are going to miss Yugi and wish the family well with the new change.





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28th April

Draven: For striving to sound out words when reading.

Ged: For his great working habits and start to Term 2.

Arthur: For making a positive and consistent start to our whole school cross country training.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following people who celebrated their birthday in the last fortnight.

Georgia: 13th April

Indi: 14th April

Gus: 15th April

Noah: 15th April

Lilli: 21st April



GOD COULD NOT
BE EVERYWHERE,
AND THEREFORE
HE MADE MOTHERS.

-Rudyard Kipling

SRC REPORT

SRC's Mission is:

To make our school and the world a better place.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Thank you everyone who contributed to Project Compassion this year. Your donations to Project Compassion allow Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work towards a more just and fair world. In a Catholic school we try to follow Jesus's example and it is important that we are kind and caring and do things for other people. When we raise money for Project Compassion we are helping people to have a better life.

The Student Representative Committee organised many fundraising activities and all the classrooms together raised \$331.35, which is a huge effort for a small school. The classroom that raised the most money was the 3/4 class.

Thank you again for your generosity.

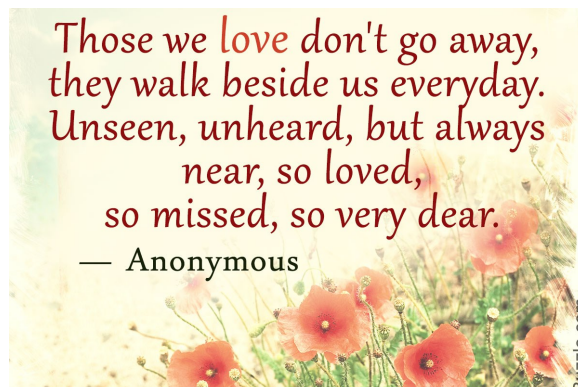
CONDOLENCES

Please have Lily, Ruby and their family in your thoughts and prayers as they have experienced the loss of a much loved family member recently. Martin's mother passed away at the end of last term.

We also have Kerry Jones, our tutor, in our thoughts as her father passed away last week.

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



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CHOIR

The Choir will be participating in the Sale Eisteddfod on Thursday, 25th May. Unfortunately this is on one of our Open Mornings but we didn't receive the date until yesterday so if your child is in the choir and they'd like you to come along to one of our open days, it will need to be on Wednesday, 24th May. It is unlikely that the choir will be back in time for Junior Swimming. A note will be sent home early next week with the details.



SCHOOL PHOTOS

The Photographer will be at the school on Thursday, 11th May to take our school photos and children are required to wear their full winter uniform. Envelopes will be sent home with your child/ren on Monday. If you pay by cash, please ensure you have the correct money in your envelope. Family envelopes are available at the office should you require one.



SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

We will be seeking nominations for our School Advisory Committee very soon. We will have vacancies for parent members and hope that members of our school community will be prepared to put their hand up for this important role in our school community. The School Advisory Committee meets at least once per term.



CROSS COUNTRY

Our whole school Cross Country Carnival is on Monday, 8th May, at the Wetlands. A note went home today and we are seeking parent volunteers to help with supervision around the course. Please let Kellie Hole know if you are available to help.

ANZAC DAY

Thank you to the students and families who were able to attend the Anzac Day Service and march in the Parade. It is important to remember our history and commemorate all the people who have made many sacrifices through their involvement in war and conflict and have worked to keep the peace.



Sow seeds of peace
in this world, Lord
and if necessary
use me as your gardener.



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St. Michael's Primary School

OUR PARISH

PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Edwin Ogbuka

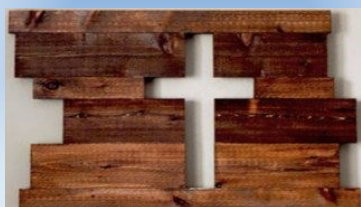
Email: edwinogbuka@gmail.com 0469 733 929

PARISH SECRETARY: Willie Schoenmaekers

Email: marymaf@aussiebb.com.au

Mass is celebrated at St Michael's Church in Heyfield on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am and Saturday evenings at 6.00pm.

We are a 'Parish in Partnership' with Maffra, Newry, Cowwarr and Dargo.



OPEN DAYS FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

We will be holding two open mornings on Wednesday 24th May and Thursday 25th May between 9am and 11am. We'd like to invite family and friends to come along and share in the celebration of our students' learning. It is also an opportunity for new or prospective families to come along and see what we have to offer as a school community. School tours are available but bookings are needed.

We always appreciate the importance parents and grandparents place on their children/grandchildren's learning by participating in the open mornings. The children love having family attend. As in the past, we will get your own children to show you around the school and have morning tea and a cuppa available. We hope to see you over the two days.

St Michael's Primary School

Invites you to join us for our Open Days to celebrate

Catholic Education Week



School tours will be available during our open days with the Principal, Jenny Miller, but bookings are required.

Come along and visit in the classrooms, everyone is welcome to participate – parents, grandparents, prospective families.

Share in the learning, have a guided tour with our students and then enjoy a delicious Devonshire morning tea!

Prospective families are welcome to book a school tour at any time throughout the year. Contact the school to make an appointment.



WHEN:
Wednesday 24th May
& Thursday 25th May
TIME: 9.00am – 11.00am



WHERE: Davis St,
Heyfield
PHONE: 5148 2514

MAFFRA SECONDARY COLLEGE

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OPEN NIGHT

Year 7 ~ 2024 and 2025

**Monday 1st May - Arrive 5.45pm for 6pm start
PRESENTATION IN THE LIBRARY**

Student-Led tours of the college from 6.40pm - tour and participate in a variety of activities

**Bookings required by contacting the office on 5147 1790
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'LISTEN @ THE LIBRARY' DROP-IN SESSIONS

HEYFIELD: Wednesday 3 May 2023,
10am – 12noon.

YARRAM: Thursday 4 May 2023,
10am – 1pm.

SALE: Friday 5 May 2023,
9am – 12noon.

MAFFRA: Monday 8 May 2023,
10am – 1pm.

ROSEDALE: Tuesday 9 May 2023,
10am – 12noon.

STRATFORD: Wednesday 10 May 2023,
10am – 1pm.



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PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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