

Patchwork News

Respect, Responsibility, Integrity

Friday 26th May Term 2 Issue 3

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Dates to Remember

May

Mon 29th Annual Report to School Community 6:45pm

Mon 29th School Council 7:15pm

June

5th **– 7**th Yr 6 Sovereign Hill Camp

Mon 12th QUEENS BIRTHDAY – NO SCHOOL

Thur 15th Taikoz-Musica Viva

Fri 16th Parents' Coffee morning 9.30am

Fri 23rd Reports go home

Fri 23rd 2/3 Melbourne Museum

Mon 26th School Council

27th/28th 3 Way Conferences Thur 29th End of Term Concert

Fri 30th End of Term 2:30pm early pick up

July

Mon 17th Term 3 - 8:50am start

REMINDERS

Annual Report to the School Community 6:45pm Monday 29th May

Don't forget to hand your Great

Community Raffle Ticket Stubbs into

the office!

CSEF Reminder Do you have a valid health care card?

Card holders valid from 30th Jan 2016 may be eligible for CSEF Funding.

Last applications will be accepted up until 23rd June

From the Principal...

Quote of the week: 'To effectively communicate, we must realize that we are all different in the way we perceive the world and use this understanding as a guide to our communication with others.' - Tony Robbins.

A few thankyous and acknowledgements to begin this week's newsletter:

Many thanks to our instrumental and Ukulele teacher Jess who organised our students at the weekend to attend the Dandenong Ranges Ukulele Festival (DRUKE) at Emerald Primary School. There were 19 of our students, who performed beyond expectations. Thank you to Angela who sent through footage of their wonderful performance – so skilled, so talented. Also to Renae who helped with getting the children on and off the stage..

On Tuesday, we had our open morning in the middle sessions before lunch, followed by a BBQ to raise funds for the year 6 graduation. Thanks to the many parents who helped organise and coordinate this event so seamlessly.

Thanks for coming to visit to see our school at work. Below are the activities we were busy with:

The Preps were in the garden looking for ants with Nina and working on Literacy with Lesley The Year ones were testing out their waterproof structures they had investigated, created and designed in the Fairy Garden.

The Year 2/3's were at their specialists of Music, Art and Japanese.

The Year 4's were cooking up a chemical experiment making chocolate crackles and observing the changes that occur during this process.

The Year 5's and 6 were presenting their investigations on chemical reactions and showing their experiments.

We are currently investigating setting up a school Facebook page. We will trial Facebook to communicate general information. We are starting with baby steps to see how popular this method of communicating will be. Thanks to Alesha and Maddy who will be exploring and developing this project. If you have any ideas please let them know.

Communication has been a theme this last week and we realise we inform you in many ways. We would like to know what you consider the best way to send information and communicate with you. Could you please provide us with feedback by taking this short survey or emailing me your thoughts – the good and the not so good.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P3RLZSK

This information will then help us develop a better communication plan for our community, which the School and School Council is currently developing.

We have had some parents ask what responsibilities staff have within the school and wondering whom they can speak with. Our school review last year recommended we restructure our areas of leadership, responsibility and as a result the following structure is in now in place.

Principal Deb Assistant Principal Michelle

Leadership Team Jane, Jennie and Michelle

Wellbeing and Welfare Jane
Assessment Jennie
Curriculum Michelle

Team Leaders Prep & 1 Alesha

Year 2&3 Karen Year 4 Pauleen Year 5&6 Kellie

From the Principal continued:

Specialist Art Sophia

Music Leanne and Lissa

Japanese Jane

Physical Education Hayden, Lissa, Kent and Yale

If you have a concern with your children, your first point of contact would be your child's classroom teacher or the team leaders, for specialist areas please go to the appropriate specialist. Of course please email or come talk with me if you have any issues or concerns.



Anxiety - What Lies Beneath...

Thursday 15th June, 9.30-11.30am

Selby Community House 1 Minak Rd, Selby

Presented by Luella Cochrane - Kinesiologist, Professional Speaker and Writer

For many people, anxiety has become the norm in daily life. With hearts and minds racing, we launch ourselves into the world to tackle whatever the day may present us with. Our baseline level of stress is elevated from the moment we wake, and we navigate our way through a series of anxiety provoking situations, doing our best to mask the internal distress.

For many of us, our children are also highly anxious and instead of giggling, playing and indulging in the natural joys of childhood, they too are spending their energy on managing extreme discomfort.

In over 13 years of clinical practice in Kinesiology, working with adults and children of all ages and stages, as well as my own family experiences, I have become quite familiar with the many layers and contributing factors of anxiety.

This is an invitation for you to come and learn about the biological components of this extremely common experience and to feel relief as you realise that it's not "all in your head". We will take a look at the role of nutrition, retained primitive reflexes, postural/ structural factors, environmental influences and relationships.

This 2hr workshop will leave you with a better understanding of your and/ or your child's experience of anxiety and a fresh perspective on how to minimise the frequency, duration and severity of symptoms.

\$5 cash donation on the day. Bookings Essential.
Please SMS Luella directly- 0447 876 060 and state
'Selby Workshop, names of attendees and best contact number'

Year 5/6 Science Sessions This Week









BOOKCLUB

Hi Everyone.

Just a quick note to let you know that the Scholastic Bookclub catalogues for Issue 4 have been distributed to the teachers this week, so look out for them in schoolbags over the next few days.

All orders and payments are to be made online either on the Scholastic website https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/ or by downloading the LOOP app.

No cash or cheques to the school please.

If your child misses out on a catalogue, no stress, view a copy online http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/catalogue.asp

Cut off date for placing orders is **Tuesday 13th June**.

Gift Orders: If you would like these orders as a gift for your child, please ensure you select the GIFT ORDER checkbox on the bottom right of the screen for LOOP online orders OR the gift icon at the top of the screen when using the LOOP app. We can then arrange for you to pick these orders up from the school office.

Happy shopping:)



Snapshots from the week by our amazing Yr 5 photographer Ted













BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair that was held in May. We sold almost \$2,500 in books and novelty items. I love seeing the kids come in with their pocket money and spend ages (and I mean ages) looking for the exact right book, pen or eraser.

With your wonderful support, we now have over \$700 to spend at Scholastic for the library.

The next book fair will be in November. Hope to see you all there.

Thanks again.

Josie

Tiqbiz is now called 'FlexiBuzz'!!

You may have noticed that your app icon on your phone has changed to a green bee (logo below) this is because 'FlexiBuzz' has bought out Tiqbiz.

The mobile app/website is still mostly the same, apart from a new logo and new website address: web.flexibuzz.com. Login & Password remain the same.

If anyone is having issues locating the new-look app, please contact the school office for assistance.



Key Assets Victoria

Key Assets Victoria is a foster care agency operating in the East, South & West of Melbourne.

There is currently a great need for new foster families and we would be very appreciative if you would consider placing the following ad in your school newsletter.

FOSTER CARERS NEEDED

If you have thought about foster care, please get in touch and ask the questions you have always wanted to.

Ring: Key Assets 1800 932 237 or 1800 WE CARE

Email: info@keyassets.com.au

Web: canifoster.com.au or keyassets.com.au

Interested families would receive a brochure, information and no pressure!





Put Monbulk & District Community Bank on your shopping list.

If you are looking for a new bank or any banking service then we ask you to put Monbulk & District Community Bank on your shopping list. When you bank with Monbulk & District Community Bank you can not only expect good old fashion service but through our partnership with The Patch Primary School, your school will benefit.

Good for your School

Monbulk & District **Community Bank** ® Branch will reward The Patch Primary School by contributing funds for each new loan, credit card, personal account or everyday account opened. Your school will receive:

	Contribution
Bendigo Home Loan	\$500
Bendigo Personal Loan	\$250
Insurance Cover	\$100
New Business Account	\$50
Appointment with Financial Planner	\$50
New Personal Account	\$25
New Term Deposit over \$10,000	\$25

The more banking you do with Monbulk & District **Community Bank**® the more you and your School will benefit. Drop into the branch at 70 Main Rd Monbulk or phone 97521130 to discuss your banking needs.

Offer valid for eligible products taken out at Monbulk & District **Community Bank**® Branch. Terms, conditions, fees, charges and eligibility criteria apply. All loans subject to the bank's normal lending criteria.



RAPA NOW IN MONBULK Drama Filmmaking Singing

www.rangesacademy.org.au rangesacademy@gmail.com

A NOT FOR PROFIT academy bringing great teachers to the Hills.. YOUR KIDS MATTER

Classes are running at Burrinja and Belgrave in Filmmaking, Drama, Singing & Dance Check our website for details including Monbulk or phone 0407540889



'My daughter started drama and singing classes with RAPA this year she absolutely loves attending the classes and looks forward to them each week. We have been so impressed with the skills she has learnt in performance. Not only that, her confidence with public speaking has improved and she now has the courage and skills needed to assist her in school and everyday activities, I highly recommend RAPA.'

Michelle Taylor



CHECK OUT RAPA Filmmakers films on RAPA VIMEO channel https://vimeo.com/196261288

July 2017 Vacation Care Program Prep - Grade 6

INCURSION TODAY! MONDAY 3rd JULY **WACKY & WILD**

Unleash your inner creativity and embrace your wacky and wild side as we paint, sculpt



We also have A Feathered Gypsy coming out to give us all fabulous feather hair extensions!

EXCURSION TODAY! TUESDAY 4th JULY **DISCO FEVER**



Put on your dancing shoes and get ready to dance the day away!

We will be walking to EV's Youth Centre in Croydon for an awesome disco! There will be party games, dancing, singing, airbrush

tattoos, party food and lots more!

Depart 9:30am Return 4:00pm



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WEDNESDAY 5th JULY **LEGOLAND** DISCOVERY CENTRE

Today we will be visiting the fantastic new LEGOLAND Discovery Centre where we will explore the spectacular MINILAND (built from over 1.5 million bricks!), create an ultrafast LEGO racing car at the Build & Test zone, visit the LEGO friends in Heartlake City, and test our tower building skills on the Earthquake tables.

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THURSDAY 6th JULY **PYJAMA DAY**

Don't worry about getting dressed today; wear your Pyjamas or favourite onesie to Vacation Care instead!

We have lots of fun, games, prizes and laughter planned for you! Some of the activities today will include making bath bombs, super slime and dream catchers!

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FRIDAY 7th JULY

TIMEZONE & PANCAKE <u>PARLOUR</u>

Come have lots of fun on an awesome excursion to TIMEZONE at Knox. You will get to play all of the arcade games plus a game of Laser Tag, how cool is that!

(please note that children under 7 years of age may not be able to participate in Laser Tag) Afterwards we will enjoy a delicious lunch at the Pancake Parlour!

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MONDAY 10th JULY **PLANKS**

Are you a budding engineer, architect or artist? Then today is the day for you! Due to popular demand the team from Green Hat Workshop will be back today to present PLANKS a dynamic, open ended, multi age, creative building activity. From the smallest shapes to the

tallest towers, planks are inspiring, creative. educational and fun!

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Come and have lots of fun as we climb balance and bounce the day away at RUSH HQ! Challenge yourself in the 5 different activity zones which include Mt Madness, Dodge It, The Gauntlet, Jump Factory and Jump and Slam. If the weather permits we will stop to explore Rowville Adventure Playground.

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WEDNESDAY 12th JULY **WAX HANDS**

There are many uses for wax. I bet you didn't know that making wax hands was one of them! Come and have

lots of fun creating a wax model of your own hand - it's pretty cool, and you can take it home to display with pride

or even use it to hold your TV remote control or ipod!

THURSDAY 13th JULY **CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

Christmas is coming early this year! Bring along your Christmas Cheer and celebrate Christmas in July as we participate in some really fun Christmas activities.

EXCURSION TODAY! BIG DAY OUT

Please see the attached flyer for information on the Big Day Out Excursion for our

2017 Grade 5 and 6 children!



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FRIDAY 14th JULY LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES



Today we are off to see the latest kid's movie at Village Cinemas Knox.

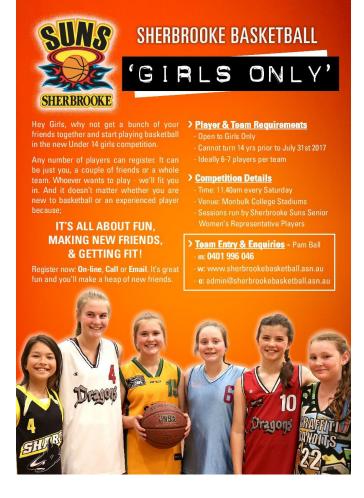
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Under 8's & Little Lakers Extravaganza Bring a friend night Wednesday May 17th

4pm to 5pm Emerald Primary School Basketball Stadium 2-4 Heroes Ave, Emerald

Hot Dogs, Games, Prizes & Registrations

Laker's Winter Season 2017

Registrations Now being taken

Round 1 Winter begins ound I Winter begins Safurday 27th May ekly haining sessions held at Emerald Primary School Basketball Stadium 2-4 Heroes Ave. Emerald



Learn to play basketball at Little Lakers Monday 1st May to Monday 26th June \$30 per term

8 week clinic for kids aged 4-6 years of age.

Basketball is one of the most popular team sports for girls and boys. It's a great sport to expand your child's coordination and self-esteem. The Little Lakers Program is designed to help kids learn the basics of dribbling, passing, and shooting the ball, all while learning what it means to be part of a team.

Registrations now being taken for Wednesday afternoons. (limit 10)

Call Lisa: 0438 900 611 for all enquiries.



join@emeraldlakers.com.au www.facebook.com/emeraldlakersbasketballclub

The Importance of Attendance

Please remember that all students are expected to be in their classroom, ready to begin lessons by 8.50am.

We understand that now and again things don't go to plan but all families should aim for their children to be at school by this time.

Parents should also remember that late arrivals or early leavers must be signed in or out by their parent or guardian using the system on the iPad at the office. The appropriate orange or red tag must also be given to the classroom teacher when collecting your child.

The Department of Education & Training has very specific expectations about school attendance and we ask that all parents be mindful of the importance of prompt and regular attendance at school.

Community Notices

In Schools Music

Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, French horn, Trombone, Tuba, Drums, Percussion, and Bass Guitar. **New students.** Enrolments to Andrew McAlister on 0408467147 or email ismusic@bigpond.com

Music Tuition with Chris Walker

Lessons in piano, guitar and bass guitar during school hours and after. Phone 0407 049 012 or email chrisw7@ymail.com

Violin, Viola & Cello Lessons

Lessons are available at school on Fridays with experienced strings teacher Jane Coleman. For further information call: 0431 290 396 or email: janeliz.coleman@gmail.com. Be quick as there are currently only a small number of places available for new pupils.

Private Ukulele Lessons

The Patch School students now have the opportunity to take private ukulele lessons. The Patch School parent, Jess Dunn, has had 5 years experience teaching ukulele to kids and adults and loves teaching at The Patch. The cost is \$18 for a 20-minute individual lesson or \$12 for a 20 minute group lesson (subject to suitable pairing). For more information, please call or email. 0408 102 542 jessdunn.arts@gmail.com

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