# Thursday 29 July 2021

# The Slate

#### Hello!

What a tumultuous couple of weeks we've been through and how wonderful to be back to on-site learning arrangements.

Remote and Flexible Learning 5.0 has been an unfortunate way to begin term 3, but I must commend students and their families for the resolve to once again adapt to the restrictions placed upon all of us.

Earlier this week, I attended an online forum aimed to assist children and educators through the COVID period. It once again emphasised how important school is for young people- not just academically, but the chatter and play, the spontaneous conversation-these are the elements that students miss and it is their absence that brings about children's high emotions and anxiety. Dr. Rob Gordon who led the learning reiterated that sleep, diet and exercise are crucial in remedying this disruption to life- a simple message, but one worth remembering.

# Trivia Night

With great disappointment, the School Council have made the difficult decision to postpone the Trivia Night. COVID restrictions on gatherings and the economic climate has meant that organising and running such an event is not feasible at this stage. It is hoped that the event can be run at a later time.

# ORIMA Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Survey

The annual ORIMA Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Survey was emailed out to all families today. The survey is to be completed online and takes approximately 20 minutes to complete.

The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. I encourage you to please complete the survey to assist in shaping the fu

# Gr. 5/6 Melbourne Camp

Unfortunately, the camp scheduled for Wednesday, 25th August to Friday, 27th August looks unlikely to go ahead given that all inter-school activities are currently not permitted under the DET Guidelines. We our fingers crossed that this may

# School Council Date Change

Just a reminder that the next School Council meeting has been rescheduled for 9th August at 5:30pm.

#### A HUGE thanks...

Kevin Atteridge has kindly assisted the school to re-gravel the school car park at a very low cost. Thanks Kevin... it is very mucky out there, so we really appreciate your help in fixing it.



at work this week...



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### FOR YOUR DIARIES

#### Term Dates 2021

Term 1: 27 Jan – 1 Apr Term 2: 19 Apr – 25 Jun Term 3: 12 Jul – 17 Sep Term 4: 4 Oct – 17 Dec

#### School Council Meeting Monday 9 August @ 5.30pm

Curriculum Day Monday 1 November

Melbourne Cup Holiday Tuesday 2 November

#### Breakfast Club –

Thank you to Mel who has kindly offered to supervise breakfast club each Wednesday morning. It is most appreciated.

#### **New Date**

Athletics Sports, have been rescheduled to 13 August at Chiltern PS. Fingers crossed that up-dated school COVID Guidelines for schools will allow us to proceed with this event.



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# The Senior Room Report...

Lisa and I were very happy to welcome all children back into the classroom this Wednesday. Students settled back in seamlessly, whilst enjoying some fun times with friends. Sometimes a little too much fun!!

The remainder of this term will see us do a book study. The book for this term is Holes.

The Olympics are also a hot topic of this week. Students were able to see a few gold medal attempts, by Australians, during wet days timetables. \*Check out the Springhurst TV episode to see which sports are amongst our favourites\*

Unfortunately, the 5-6 camp looks like it'll may be cancelled again. However, we may be able to have excursions to Chiltern PS for our sports day.

#### - Mr. S





Remote learning sure didn't stop our learning! We continued activities about our shared book, "Wombat Stew" and also read the story of "The

Little Red Hen". In recent days, we've also completed some reading activities related to the Olympics.

In our mathematics studies, we've been working hard on number patterns- counting by 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s... some even counting by 3s! - Mrs. Kilgour





Mrs. Earles began her long service leave in anticipation of her pending arrival and the staff put together a little hamper to thank and farewell her (for now). We can't wait to hear the exciting news in October!

Miss Lucy Turner has taken on the MACC Van role and we have loved having Lucy around the school during remote learning. We wish her all the best this week as she finally gets to sink her teeth into the new role!



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July/August						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Louise day 1, online Principal's Conference	3	4 Breakfast Club	5	6	7
8	9 School Council meeting, 5:30pm	10	11 Breakfast Club	12	13 Athletic Sports at Chiltern (TBC)	14
15	16	17	18 Breakfast Club	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Gr. 5/6 Camp (TBC)	26 Gr. 5/6 Camp (TBC)	27 Gr. 5/6 Camp (TBC)	28

#### The Terry Floyd Foundation presents the Annual

Terry Floyd Fundraising Event Wear A Ribbon For Terry Day Monday June 28th \$2 per ribbon



On Monday, June 28, the Terry Floyd Foundation will hold it's Annual Wear A Ribbon For Terry Day. On the anniversary of the disappearance of 12 year old Terry Floyd we ask you to wear a ribbon in honour of his memory. This event is designed to raise awareness and money for children who may be socially and economically disadvantaged, due to varying circumstance, to live safer and fuller lives. Our organisation is committed to building brighter futures for kids through our programs and initiatives. All proceeds go directly to the Terry Floyd Foundation. Donations welcome.

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We are selling these blue ribbons to support the Terry Floyd Foundation and the amazing work they do in support of small rural schools! The Ribbons are \$2 each and can be purchased from the office. All proceeds for the sale of the Ribbons will go directly to the Terry Floyd Foundation. This Foundation has kindly donated money towards our Grade 5/5 camp. We look forward to your support.