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Newsletter

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2020 DIARY DATES

4th September 12-5pm

Work pack

&

Fathers' Day Gift collection from the gym

Dear Parents,

Recently, all Principals in our Region participated in an online meeting and were addressed by David Howes, Deputy Secretary, Schools and Regional Services with the Department of Education. According to David, there has been a great deal of discussion over recent weeks about perceptions of student learning during 2020 and how there is a feeling amongst some parents that 'students have lost a year of learning'.

David reminded us that it is important that we remember all students across Victoria are in the same situation - whether they are in Government or Independent schools. When we eventually return to face-to-face learning all students will continue to be assessed and learning programs tailored to their levels of progress.

Minister for Education, James Merlino, stated recently that once schools reopen, small group tutoring sessions for students who have fallen behind are also being considered, both in Term 4 and next year. Whilst I don't have details on how this will be rolled out or funded, it is pleasing to see that thought is being put into helping students make up any potential lost learning. In the meantime, please persevere in ensuring your child/ren fully engage in remote learning. As I have mentioned previously, teachers are generally online everyday between 9.30am and 12.30pm to help any student who might be having trouble understanding or completing set work. Please make sure you use this availability.

Parent Survey

Thank you if you have filled in a Parent Survey via Insight on Compass. Everyone who has done so goes into a draw to win a voucher for dinner for two at Baringo, to the value of \$100. If you haven't yet filled in the survey, please do so by midnight Friday 28th August (tomorrow night) and you'll still go into the draw.

Year 2 Camp - Lady Northcote

The Year 2 Camp will **not** be going ahead in October. The school had hoped way back in April/May that things were getting better and there was a chance the camp might proceed. However, as we are currently still under Stage 3 restrictions and conducting remote learning, there is just too little time to hope things get back to normal in the next several weeks. The safest option, therefore, is just to cancel the camp. This decision will probably disappoint many of our Year 2 students but needs to be taken.

Unwell Students/Staff/Teachers

The Department of Education recently put out a flyer regarding what is expected of students that are unwell. This document was sent out via Compass and posted to the school's Facebook page. Similar instructions were received yesterday relating to teachers and staff. The basic expectations are to watch for symptoms, stay home if unwell, get tested and isolate. Don't return to school until you are symptom free.

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Principal's report continued

Specifically, the guidelines say:

- 1. If a child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home. If a child becomes unwell during the day at school, they must be collected from school as soon as possible.
- 2. If a child has any of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) outlined below, however mild, they should get tested and they must remain at home until they receive their results:
 - * fever
 - * chills or sweats
 - * cough
 - * sore throat
 - * shortness of breath
 - * runny nose
 - * loss of sense of smell or taste.

In certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered symptoms.

- 3. A child must stay at home until they are symptom free, even if their coronavirus (COVID-19) test is negative.
- 4. Children do NOT need a medical certificate before returning to school.

2021 Enrolments

We are currently accepting enrolments for 2021. Whilst we cannot do tours, our school student leaders have videoed a virtual tour which is available for viewing on the school's website. Additionally, Mr West and I are both available for online meetings with parents who would like more information on the school and it's programs. Please feel free to pass this on to anyone you might know who has a child ready to being Foundation next year.

Andy Kozak Principal



3 WEEKS TO GO!!

We now have 124 students who have completed the VPRC.

Congratulations to those happy readers!

Remember the Challenge finishes on September 18th.

Please have your books online before this date.

There are many students who only have a few books to go before they reach their goal.

Don't miss out!

Certificates from the Premier will be handed out at assembly in November.

INDO LINGO

Selamat Datang,

Last week we celebrated Indonesian Independence Day during our remote learning classes. I would like to thank Putri for her contribution to Indo Lingo last week and enlightening us on how the Indonesian people celebrate this special day on their calendar. It was wonderful to see all her photos of events throughout Indonesia, and particularly the photos of Putri as a young child. I hope you all had a chance to read her story.

Last week the Foundation to Year 2 students designed and decorated a Kuda Lumping. These are flat bamboo woven horses decorated with colourful paints, and cloth, and are used in dances. The students created some beautiful designs.



The Years 3 - 6 students cooked a traditional Indonesian meal, mie goreng (fried noodles). It was wonderful to see photos of them preparing and cooking this meal for their families and for some, to venture out of their comfort zone and try Asian food. Congratulations everyone on your efforts.



Sampai jumpa, Ibu Dawson and Ibu Coulsell









Remote Artwork Examples

Foundation, Year 1 & 2
Colour wheel collage & snow globe designs

Year 3 & 4 – Surreal drawings

Year 5 & 6 – One-point perspective drawing





























Remote Artwork **Examples**



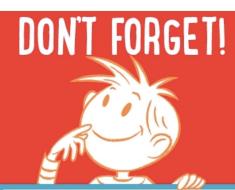












₩SCHOLASTIC **Book Club**

orders are due:

18th September



See the Compass newsfeed "Scholastic Book Club Issue 5 & 6" for a copy of the catalogues. -Online orders only-

Book Club LOOP

https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx

Year 6 Poems

Covid Poem

By Cody 6A

Covid sucks

nly 1 house

ivid memory of school

Impossible to get away from sisters

reams don't come true

l out of ten excitement

9 out of ten boredom

2020

By Hannah 6A

the worst year of all brought death to many but not all I cases rising social distancing dieing masks are leading people are sneezing online meetings covid 19 we're weeping people are needing coronavirus we hope is leaving

Poetry about my life right now. By Chloe 6A

It was the year. The worst year of all. 2020 hasn't thrilled us at all. There were some highs, and there were some lows. It wasn't good. But we went with the flow. We couldn't meet up. We couldn't shop. We were stuck at home. And we had to mop. There is a good side to all bad things. We might soon get a vaccine. If we keep social distancing. Things will change! If we listen to the rules. Our lives won't be strange. Please help stop the spread. Soon it will be back to normal. We can jump up and down. In the biggest part of town. I know I sound really sad saying this But I can't wait till it's all over and off my list. Soon we can play. And we can shout hooray.

More days will go by. We won't be at home eating pies. We can still exercise. Get out and ride. Go have some fun. It will pass Things will change



NGPS BEST "BAD DAD JOKE" COMPETITION 2020

ENTRY TO INCLUDE:

- 1. Bad Joke
- 2. Student Name
- 3. Student Class

RULES & INFO:

- Prizes will be awarded per year level.
- One entry per student.
- Best jokes will be published in newsletter.
- Jokes found unsuitable will not be considered.
- Entries close, Friday 28th August 2020

ALL ENTRIES TO:

ngps.parentassociation@gmail.com



FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Enrolment forms can be found on our website https://www.newgisps.vic.edu.au/enrolment and submitted via email new.gisborne.ps@education.vic.gov.au or dropped directly into our post box 239 Station Road, New Gisborne.

Under the current COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to host Information Sessions or conduct School Tours on site.

Information Sessions via video conferencing are available on request and a virtual <u>School Tour</u> is available on our website.

Phone the school office on **5428 2232**

for any enquiries or to book an information session.



SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED

In the past 12 months the Gisborne & District Lions Club has provided \$11,000 to those in need in our local community, including \$1,000 provided to the New Gisborne Primary School for the benefit of students from families in need.

In these trying times the Lions Club aims to continue to:

- assist families, individuals & students in need
- support individuals with a disability
- provide disaster relief
- organise the Lions Gisborne Festival (if we ever get over the current health crisis)

If you would like to make a donation to the Gisborne and District Lions Club to help it continue to assist those in need, contributions can be directed to:

- Account: Lions Activity A/C BSB: 633000 Account No: 152262994
 Description: Insert Name of Donor.
- (2) Cheque in the name of "Gisborne and District Lions Club" Directed to Secretary, Gisborne and District Lions Club, PO Box 807, Gisborne, 3437.

The Gisborne and District Lions Club has remained connected with it members during these trying times via its monthly meetings held via Zoom on the first Thursday of each month at 7.30pm.

Please contact the Lions Club President Russell Walker OAM, on ph 0419318615 if a member of the community would like to attend one of these meetings, learn more about Lions and/or become a member of the Lions Club.



Young Voices of Macedon

A COMMUNITY CHOIR FOR CHILDREN, 6 - 15

In 2020 learn great songs about the sea, including the jazz cantata Captain Noah and his floating zoo

Make new friends



Perform at concerts, choral festivals and community events

Thursdays, 4.15 - 5.45 pm

Norma Richardson Hall Buckland Street, Woodend

vvmacedon.org.au



musicianship and Learn voice

singing

production, part

Office supplies offer



With the COVID lockdown now in place, a lot of you might be looking for home office supplies. Winc Australia is offering the same competitive prices to you that they offer to NGPS. All orders need to be paid for at checkout, with a \$5.95 delivery fee applying.

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staff&pass=staffpurchase2020%20

NGPS are not recommending this company over any other, we are just alerting you to another purchasing option, it doesn't benefit the school if you purchase from Winc.

OSHC AT HOME

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WEEKLY PLANNER



Reading Corner

Challenge Live Stream STEM Art & Craft

Mindfulness

Cooking

Hands On

Mands Off

Ages 8-12

MONDAY

TUESDAY

GLITTER TORNADOES

IN A JAR

How does a tornado move? Join Educator Dave

and make your own glitter tornado in a jar. All you'll need is a jar, water, oil, glitter

and your favourite food

WEDNESDAY

BALLOON CARS

SUPREME INCURSIONS

Create a balloon car

and watch the car move

forward as you release the air from the balloon. Try experimenting with different

amounts of air in the balloon.

THURSDAY

MAKE YOUR OWN

CLOUD DOUGH

Dip your hands into some

guaranteed sensory fun

FRIDAY

ZOOS VICTORIA ANIMAL KEEPER

Meet the Zoo keepers from Zoos Victoria and learn more about your favourite animals In these great Keeper Talks. There are a bunch to choose from like giant tortoises, gorillas, elephants and more



































GET GROOVY AFRICAN DANCING

Join Educators Fil and Ty as we Safari through Africa and learn some energetic new dance moves. Find some space and clear vourself a dance floor for this fun routine









NATURE PLAY SERIES NATURE MASKS

Welcome to the Nature Play series with Educator Tiarnah. In this activity we'll be making our own nature masks inspired by our favourite animals, habitats or natural resources.









7 MIN HIIT WORKOUT

Set yourself a timer and let's get moving with an animal inspired workout. Complete all 7 animal movements in 7 minutes. Hop like a frog and run like a cheetah - how many rounds can you do?









HOW TO DRAW PIXEL ART

Ever wanted to learn how to draw your favourite pixel art characters? Well in this video we're going to show you exactly what to do, Grab a ruler, some paper, pencils and let's get started.











KIDS KITCHEN: BANANA MUFFINS

Calling all young bakers! Time to get baking. Let's make some delicious banana muffins to warm up our bellies in this cooler weather. You will need help from a grown up for this activity.











10:1:10 DRAWING CHALLENGE

This one is for the aspiring artists out there. Educator Rhys has an exciting challenge for you: the 10:1:10 drawing challenge. All you'll need is a timer, some paper and your favourite pencil.









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