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SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, this year we have six nominations for our three School Council vacancies and therefore we have initiated a ballot process. All families (except for those of the nominated candidates) were given a ballot voting form containing the names of the six candidates.

The candidates who have very kindly nominated for election to School Council this year are:

- David Bull - father of David Fleming-Bull
- Kathy Byrne - mother of Elizabeth Byrne
- Kate Duncan - mother of Kim & Justin Campbell
- Michelle Kurrle - mother of Brock Kurrle
- Kym Edsall - mother of Grace Edsall-French
- Leigh Tongco - mother of Miguel Tongco

When completing your ballot, please place a tick next to three of the candidates names, place the ballot paper in the unmarked envelope and then return it to school in the envelope marked with your family name, by 4.00pm this Friday 27th February.

The results of the election will be announced at assembly on Monday 2nd March. If you would like any further information, please call the Office.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

The first meeting of our Parents Club was held on Tuesday and I am pleased to announce that the following ladies have been elected to lead this important parent group this year;

Congratulations to our elected committee:

President: Kathy Byrne
Vice President: Kate Duncan
Secretary: Leigh Tongco

Thanks also to the 15 parents who attended our first meeting. It was great to see so many people there showing their support.

HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY GAMES

It was very exciting to see so many people participating in the Heathcote Community Games on the weekend. The organising committee were very pleased with the outcome and are keen to make this an annual event.

Our school activities included a Family Fun in the Kitchen Garden Session on Saturday and Family Fun Day Activities on Sunday. We had over 70 participants in the two days of events which was just fantastic.

Thank you to everyone who supported these events, especially our staff who generously gave their time to assist with the activities. We have included lots of great photos, including a special one which featured on the front of the McIvor Times this week. Congratulations, Kim and Summer, on your great effort as well!

Kind Regards,

Cindi Bruechert
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**CIVICS AND CITIZENSHIP AWARDS**

Congratulations to our Civics and Citizenship Award winners from last week:

**Miss O'Neill's Grade**
- Hollie Temby
- Abby Marino

**Mrs. Parry's Grade**
- Henry Thorson-Patten
- Daniel Close

**Miss Somerville's Grade**
- Miguel Tongco
- Ty Boyd

**Mr. Clayton’s Grade**
- Todd Moule
- Grace Edsall-French

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**SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

If you need to order any of our school uniform items, please complete the green order form (available from the office) and return to the school office by Friday, 13 March.

**Prices:**
- Hats $10.00
- Track pants $15.00
- Polo shirts $14.00
- 1/2 zip polar fleece jumpers $20.00
- Full zip fleecy hoodie $23.00

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**CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE**

The Conveyance Allowance assists families with the cost of transporting their children to and from school. To be eligible, students must live in rural Victoria and live more than 4.8 km from their nearest appropriate government school and/or bus stop where there is insufficient access to transport.

Applications need to be at the Office by Tuesday, 3 March 2015. Please see Kerry at the office for a Conveyance Allowance application form.

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**BREAKFAST CLUB**

Don’t forget that our regular Breakfast Club is on every Tuesday and Thursday morning, commencing at 8.15am in the SAKGP Kitchen, and all students are very welcome to attend.

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**ICY POLE SALES**

The Parents Club/Fundraising Committee will be selling icy poles again this term. Zooper Dooper icy poles will be available at first break (11.00am) each Friday morning for 50 cents each. No Credit Available.

**Easter Raffle:** Look out for more information about our upcoming Easter Raffle which will be drawn in the last week of term (23-27 March).

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**PARENTS CLUB**

**Next Meeting:**
The next Parents Club meeting will be held Monday, 2nd March at 9.20am (after assembly) in the SA Kitchen. All welcome.

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**SPECIAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION**

SRI permission forms were sent home earlier this year. If you wish your child/ren to participate in this program, please return the purple form to school as soon as possible.

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**JUNIOR UNIT NEWS**

Here is some writing and drawing from one of our Foundation students. Great work, Mason.

Our Junior Unit students are learning about and revising the ‘S’ sound and ‘S’ words.
HOME LEARNING BOX

We are very interested in having some new items for our Home Learning Box which is a space in the front office dedicated to families being able to share their home learning experiences.

We would love to display some of the activities that your families engage in at home. It is so interesting and fun learning about what other families do outside of school and may even give us some ideas for after school, weekend and school holiday activities.

Some examples include instructions on cooking a particular meal, a display about a camping trip or time away, gardening work or information on, family heritage/culture.

We could even run a film of your experience on the screen in the office! Please take the time to think of some ideas and check out the displays in the coming weeks.

You can contact Ash Whicher with your ideas.

Ashlea Whicher
Email: ashnsum@hotmail.com

OUTDOOR CINEMA TOMORROW

How to Train Your Dragon 2

This FRIDAY, 27th February at Barrack Reserve
TIME: 8:30pm - 10.30pm

Come along and enjoy the Summer in the Parks Outdoor Cinema at the Barrack Reserve screening How to Train Your Dragon 2.

The thrilling second chapter of the epic How To Train Your Dragon trilogy. A great film for all to enjoy! (subtitles available for hearing impaired patrons). Bring along a rug, picnic and enjoy!
SAKGP - GARDEN GRABS

WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR DONATIONS of:

- Horse and Sheep manure
- Old Lucerne or pea straw for mulch
- Vegie seedlings if you have any left over
- Garden tools
- Old bike wheels
- A sun dial
- Bird baths

We would also welcome any volunteers to our Garden and Kitchen classes. The classes are on Mondays and Tuesdays: garden at 10am and kitchen at 11.45am. You will need a Working With Children Check (WWCC) and a sense of adventure! For any information call Michele at school or on 0419 883 319.

Cheers

Michele Witham

Welcome to our two new chickens.

Our school captains and vice captains are here with our new chickens: Chayne Ribbons, Todd Moule, Shaylee Reddin-Jowett and April Taylor.