Thursday 1st November 2018

KEY REMINDERS
If you have not yet enrolled your child for 2019 please call at the office.
Also if you do not intend to return to the school in 2019 please inform the office.

DATES TO REMEMBER
Grade 5/6 Camp
Wednesday 31st October – Friday 2nd November
No School
Monday 05th November
Grade 3/4 Camp
Wednesday 7th November – Friday 9th November
School Festive Concert & Art show
Thursday 13th December

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can’t believe how quickly the term is going and that Melbourne Cup Day is almost upon us!
Please remember that there is a Curriculum Day on Monday 5th November and Melbourne Cup Day (public holiday) is on Tuesday 6th November. This means that there is no school for students on Monday and Tuesday. School resumes on Wednesday 7th November.

School Camping Program

Grade 5/6
There was much excitement at school yesterday morning as our Grade 5/6 students and staff headed off to camp at Lady Northcote near Bacchus Marsh. After settling into their accommodation, students were involved in a variety of outdoor education experiences including the flying fox and yabbying. I have spoken to the teachers on camp several times but they have neglected to mention if they were actually successful in catching any yabbies! Our campers are expected back at school tomorrow between 2:30pm – 3:00pm depending on the traffic coming home. All students will gather in the Library on their return to school and they need to be signed out before they can go home.

Grade 3/4
Next Wednesday 7th November, our Grade 3/4 students and teachers will depart for their camp at Wombat Corner near Emerald. One of the highlights will surely be a ride on the famous Puffing Billy steam train! Please ensure that your child carefully checks that they have packed everything on the clothing list provided (including a sun hat and a jacket in case the weather gets cold). Parents & carers are reminded that they need to sign their child in with the classroom teacher on the morning of camp and that students cannot just be dropped off at school. We wish our Grade 3/4s a fantastic time at camp and look forward to hearing all about their experiences.

Chickenpox
Thank you to the community for your swift response to our calls and support as we managed quite a large outbreak of chickenpox. It’s interesting to note that there is another school in our local area that has also been affected. As this is an infectious disease, the Health Department are monitoring our situation and they are confident that we have done everything possible to minimise the spread of this. It is a timely reminder that immunisation certificates are required to be kept on file at school.

2019 Prep Transition
The first of our transition to school days for next year’s Prep students commences on Wednesday 7th November. Information regarding this has been sent home to all families that have a child commencing next year. If you have yet to enrol your child for Prep in 2019 or know of anyone that still needs to do this, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

SunSmart
Just a reminder that all students require a school hat for Term 4. These can be purchased online through RH Sport.

Canteen
Due to a shortened school week and the large number of Grade 3/4 students at camp, there will be NO canteen available next week. The canteen will re-open on Monday 12th November for both lunch orders and counter sales.

Sue Muir
Acting Principal