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Weekend Mass Times:

Chiltern Saturday 6pm

Rutherglen Sunday 9am

Wahgunyah Sunday 10.30am

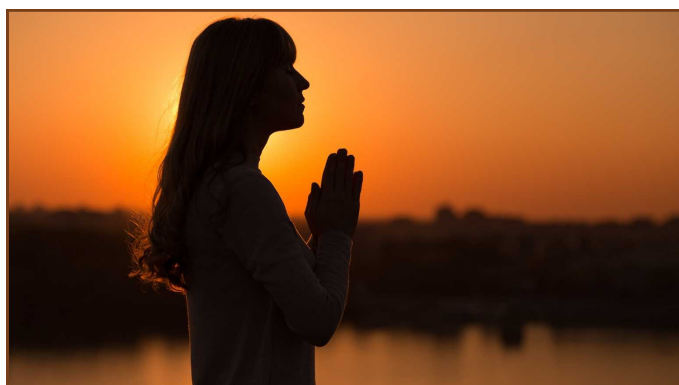


Newsletter *Issue 20 - Term 3 - Wednesday 24 July, 2019*

PBIS Focus of the Week

Expectations Playing Sport

Dear Parents/ Carers,



Gospel Summary

This Sunday's Gospel, Luke 11, 1-13, reminds us of three things. First of all the disciples asked Jesus how to pray and he gave them a model we call the Our Father. Jesus gave the disciples a form of prayer that praises and petitions God. Next there was the example of a friend who came in the middle of the night to another's house asking for bread. The visitor awoke his friend with a plea for bread, but the sleeping friend did not want to be disturbed. Perhaps it would not be their friendship that got the first man his loaf of bread, but his persistence. So, the only way to continue his night's sleep was for the second man to give his friend the bread. In this parable, Jesus made clear that we need to be persistent in prayer. Finally, Jesus asked what father would hand his son a snake when asked for a fish, or a scorpion when asked for an egg. The point of this illustration was to show the disciples that God would give us the most important gift, the Holy Spirit.

Reflection for Families

It is easier for parents to appreciate the love God has for each of us. We strive to care for our children and provide the things necessary for their well being. We see to it that they have nutritious meals rather than junk food each day. We find a way to provide warm clothing and shoes in the cold weather. We don't hand our children something that would harm them when they ask for something that would nourish or protect them. We learn from this Gospel today that the greatest gift God can give us is the Holy Spirit. Like a child, we only need to stretch out our arms and be open to receive this gift.

Lions Club Junior Public Speaking!

Fantastic work from every Grade 3-6 student for preparing, practising and presenting their speeches so well and confidently. Everyone of you has done an outstanding job. It is always a very difficult decision on deciding who has made it through to the final and after much deliberation, congratulations to Grace Milthorpe, Shaun Gunning, Travis Gunning and Hamish Neil. All four will be representing the school this Friday evening in the Rutherglen Lions Club Junior Public speaking competition. We wish them the best of luck.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 26 July Lions Public Speaking Event

Wed 31 July 6.30pm - Board Meeting

Winter Sports Carnival - Friday 19 July 2019

Well Done Girls!!



What a great **Team Effort** to our Senior Netball team who won the Division 3 Netball last Friday at the Winter Sports Carnival in Wodonga. They won every game and played with great spirit, but just as importantly displayed great sports-manship over the whole day. Well done girls the school is very proud of you!!



Winter Sports Carnival



Congratulations to all our teams, Footy, Soccer & Netball, who participated last Friday at the Winter School Sorts in Wodonga.

Each team played with great enthusiasm and energy. They all displayed great sportsmanship in every game.

Thanks to our coaches on the day, Mr. Mac (Footy), Rhi (Soccer) and Mrs Smith & Mrs Bridge (Netball)



iPad Rollout:

The iPad rollout will be completed this week, which means that every student in our school will have an iPad as a tool to support their learning. Thanks to Libby Dickinson and Jodie Smith who worked over the holidays to ensure a smooth rollout will happen. Also thanks to Katrina, Wayne and Rhi for labelling, sorting serial numbers, covers etc



Parent Access Module (PAM)

IMPORTANT:

Please use this platform to notify the school of your child's absence.



Friday 6th of September

Please note revised date



Yes, the biggest night of the year is back and I'm currently writing the questions and dreaming up a few fun little surprises as we speak. Lock the date into your diary and book in your friends as well. It was a great night last year and fully booked out!!

The cost is \$10 per person. Tables of 6 and 8 are available.

I am also looking for a few helpers to source some prizes and setting up on the night.

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School Closure Day:

Friday 16th of August will be a school closure day. All staff will be participating in a practical PD on how iPads are best used to support the curriculum.



Principal's awards

Congratulations to:

George Morris, Freya Kay, Zoe Buscall, Harper Potter, Travis Gunning, Hamish Neil, Antonio Finnemore,
Henry Ross, Sienna Park-Osborne and Alex O'Meara

PBIS Awards (Positive Behaviour in Schools):

This week's Focus: Expectations Playing Sport.

Sport	Respect Ourselves	Respect Others	Respect our Environment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Wear school sports uniform ◇ Bring water bottle ◇ Try your best ◇ Give it a go/be prepared to try new things ◇ Be a good sport ◇ Collect personal belongings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Listen to instructions ◇ Be a team player ◇ Respect umpire/ referee's decision ◇ Respect rules and decisions ◇ Encourage others ◇ Acknowledge and praise others ◇ Help others succeed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Ensure sports equipment is put away ◇ Correct use and storage of sports equipment

Congratulations to this week's PBIS Winners

(pictured below):

Hannah Robins (3/4 JS), Ryan Moore (1/2 LD) & Shaun Gunning (5/6 JM)



Have a great week,

Matt
Principal





We send our best wishes to:
Dusty Fisher (30/7)
who will be celebrating his birthday this week.



Timmy

A huge thank you to Jaz Lea and the Lea family for taking care of 'Timmy', the Blue Tongued lizard, over the holidays.



Parent Access Module

PAM

Our first excursion using PAM, Winter Sports Carnival, proved to be a huge success.

This platform for approving excursion attendance is a great time saver as well saving paper.

Please keep checking your emails for notifications from us.

Thanks to all families now using PAM to advise us of daily absences also. Your advise using this method goes straight into the class roll call for the day.



SATURDAY 3 AUGUST (Wangaratta)

Gateway Hotel (29-37 Ryley St, Wangaratta)

9:30am - 3:00pm

Parenting is a demanding task under any circumstances, and doing so when a child displays challenging behaviours increases the difficulty. These problem behaviour situations are often amplified as the child's challenges can collide with typical developmental changes all children experience. Parents can become at odds with the child, or even between themselves, when searching for the best responses to these tough situations. Other children in the home can also be impacted, as the problem circumstances become a common part of their day. During this one-day workshop, participants will be provided with practical, flexible alternatives they can draw upon to teach new skills at home, help establish daily routines and effectively prevent or respond to challenging situations.

Who is invited:

Parents, those parenting and anyone interested in learning

Catering:

Morning tea and lunch provided. When registering please note any dietary requirements

Registrations CLOSE on Thursday 25 July 2019

TO REGISTER PUT YOUR NAME DOWN AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

Pragmatics and Social skills

Focus: Working effectively in a team

Teamwork is a necessary skill that provides children with the opportunity to form relationships, develop empathy and problem solve with others. Try the following problem -solving activities with your child/children making sure that everyone has equal amounts of speaking and listening. You could use a talking stick/object to ensure nobody takes over the conversation. The **no put-downs** rule needs to be followed at all times ie: positive comments only.

Jigsaw puzzles or any board game where families can work together to reach a final goal

Developing a plan of action for

table setting

weekend trips

party's/social gatherings

responsibilities around the house e.g. keeping room tidy

solving problems e.g. school lunches, tv programs, time on the computer

Don't forget to celebrate together when you reach your goals!



Important Calendar Dates - 2019

Term 3

Friday 26 July	Lions Public Speaking Event
Wed 31 July	6.30pm - Board Meeting
Friday 2 August	9.30am - Senior Mass
Tuesday 13 August	Stage Door Performance at Victory Lutheran College (whole school)
Friday 16 August	Curriculum Development day (School Closed)
19—23 August	Book Week
Thursday 22 August	Book Week Dress Up day
Thursday 29 August	Athletics Day
Friday 30 August	Father's Day Stall
Friday 6 September	Trivia Night (Parish Hall)
Friday 20 September	Last Day Term 3 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) School finishes at 2.30pm

Term 4

Monday 7 October	First Day Term 4
Wed 30 October	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6)
Thur 31 October	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6) Borambola Camp (Grades 3 & 4)
Fri 1 November	Canberra Camp (Grades 5 & 6) Borambola Camp (Grades 3 & 4)
Mon 4 November	Report Writing Day (School closed)
Tue 5 November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (School closed)
Fri 29 November	Bishop's Holiday (School closed)
Wed 18 December	Last Day Term 4 (Casual Clothes Day - gold coin donation) School finishes at 3.30pm

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