STRAHTCHAT

CHILDREN ARE SUPERVISED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:50AM AND 3:40PM WITHIN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

Calendar

November
Thur 13th  Music workshop grade 3/4 with afternoon concert for all grades
Mon 17th  Family & Friends meeting @9.10am dining room
Tue 18th  Prep Transition 9am –12pm
Wed 19th  HPV – Maryborough
Tue 25th  Prep Transition 9am –12pm

December
Tue 2nd  Prep Transition 9am -12pm
Thur 4th  School Disco
Fri 5th  Pupil Free Day
Tue 9th  State Wide Transition Day
Mon 15th  Awards Night
Wed 17th  Grade six graduation
Fri 19th  Last Day of Term 4 Early dismissal 2.30pm.

Whole School Assembly – Fridays 8:50AM
School Banking Day - Tuesday
December 5th – Pupil Free Day

Prep Transition Dates
The extended Transition program for incoming Prep children enrolled for next year commences on Tuesday 18th November & continues on Tuesday 25th & Tuesday 2nd December from 9am – 12pm. A state wide Orientation day on Tuesday 9th December for the full day.
If you are enrolling a prep for the 2015 school year, please ensure your enrolment forms have been filled in and given to the office.

Principal’s report

Today the grade 3/4’s participated in a music workshop with award winning singer songwriter Barry Peters to write songs about the Gippsland Lakes. Carmen Lee from Waterwatch assisted the students understand the water cycle and how the catchment affects the health of the Lakes. After a morning of writing and performing their songs, Barry then treated the whole school to a concert. The songs will be recorded and the students have been asked to design the cover for the CD.

Grade six students who will be attending Maffra Secondary School in 2015 had a full day of transition activities at the college today. They made their way there by bus and negotiated the timetable and classes.

At tomorrow’s parent assembly the HPV students will deliver their presentation of their learning in readiness for the RACV Energy Breakthrough Challenge next week. The students, their parents and teachers have worked very hard on the project, making links with school programs and environmental issues. We wish them well next week.

Zonda Lynn – Principal

Grade 6 Exhibition
As a result of last year’s success, Segue have decided to put on another exhibition for the grade 6 students from the area. The students have asked to create a piece of work with the theme ‘connections’.

The exhibition opens this Friday 14th at 6pm. I will endeavour to take the grade 5/6 class down to Segue to see the grades 6 work displayed.

Kelly Davies.
Have you activated your account yet? If you haven’t you might be missing out on important updates and information about your child’s class or the school in general. If you need to reset your password, please contact the office, it only takes a few minutes. Case studies have proven that schools that communicate better have greater student outcomes. uEducateUs is a system that helps bridge this communication gap schools currently face. [http://ueducateus.com.au/](http://ueducateus.com.au/)

**Reminder**
Please notify the school promptly if you change your address or phone number.

**Mrs Schultz’s Music**
There are three more weeks of music lessons left for this year, and then the singing group will present their song at assembly to conclude their year.
I hope families will consider enrolling students to learn keyboard, wind instruments or guitar in 2015. Enrolment details will be sent home early in February next year for students in grades 1 to 6 to apply.

**HPV Raffle**
Please bring your raffle tickets back to school; they are $1 per ticket. All the money will go to the HPV team. Big prizes to win and please come to the office if you need more ticket books. Thank you

**Family & Friends**
**Family & Friends Meeting Monday 17th Nov. 9:10am** in the dining room
Agenda: Disco
 Volunteers are needed to help with the Disco before the night and on the night.
Before the night: Making decorations / cooking food / set up on the day 
On the night: Door person / kitchen staff / photo booth / general help.
If you would like to help please see Emma Brooks.

Family & Friends is seeking donations for the Christmas mega raffle. 
If you would like to donate a prize please leave it at the office, prizes can be toys, food (packaged), vouchers etc.
Raffle books will be going home soon $1 per ticket, over 20 prizes to be won.
Raffle will be drawn on Awards Night Dec 15th.

**Trashless Tuesday**
The results for this week’s Trashless Tuesday are:
1st with 93% is Prep
2nd with 87% 5/6
3rd with 70% is 2/3 & ¾
4th with 57% 1/2

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**Are you a past student who would like to purchase a brick for our 150th Path?** Please contact the school as we are about to place another order.

**COMMUNITY NOTICE**

A message from Julie Storey:
**Autism research in East Gippsland**
*We need your help!*
I have been working with families caring for a child with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and professionals for a number of years now. It has been brought to my attention that we need to support both groups in a better capacity. To do this I have to gather information to see what needs are being met and what gaps there are in
support for both groups. I have constructed a survey based on the outcomes from the 2009 Autism State Plan (Victoria) to evaluate this information. This survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. Recommendations for what direction East Gippsland needs to take in the future to support this group of families and service providers better will be submitted to the Communities for Children Program - East Gippsland and the East Gippsland Early Years Committee at the end of 2014. Please help me to gain this data by completing either the ‘ASD Service Provision survey’ by following this link https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/asdserviceprovision or forwarding this onto a service provider you may know. If you are a parent or carer or have a client that is please complete the ‘ASD Parent/Carer survey’ by following this link https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/asdparentcarer or share with your clients. Parents and carers who complete the survey will be eligible to go into a draw for three $50 vouchers from our local supermarket. The only way to improve service implementation and supports is to make change. Please help to contribute to that change in East Gippsland for so many families that are caring for a child on the spectrum. Kind regards, Julie Storey Mob:0427199074 julie.storey@goodbeginnings.org.au Facilitator of the ‘Autism Pilot Project’ from August to December 2014 Funded by ‘Communities for Children Program - East Gippsland’ Provided by Good Beginnings Australia, Bairnsdale

HUGE COMBINED GARAGE SALE
In the Segue car park
Sunday 23rd November 9am – 1.30pm
STALLHOLDERS WANTED $15 a site
BYO table or we can provide
Contact Beth 0427 456 094