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Wednesday 24th June 2020

Kitchen- Garden Programme in the news:

Congratulations to Sara Hill on the featured article in the recent edition of our Bendigo Advertiser. As part of our school's Kitchen Garden Programme, students have been involved in growing seedlings that will be distributed with the help of St Matt's Church and the Long Gully Community Centre. This further supports our philosophy of the importance of growing and cooking healthy food.

Fast drop off and collection:

The 5 'fast lane' parking bays out the front of the school are working well and the use of the 'waiting bay' in old Nettle St. Thanks to the families who are using the parking spots slightly further away. **Please remember, your children are not to load or unload if your car is not in a designated parking bay* . ***Please continue to observe social distancing at collection time also!***

Mid year reports:

Student mid-year reports will be sent home tomorrow—Thursday 25th June. Teachers have worked hard (especially following our return to on-site learning) to provide an accurate assessment of your child's progress. Within DET guidelines, the format of the June report has been modified to reflect Term 2 Programmes also. There are explicit comments about the operation of remote learning programmes too. Please share this report with your child and contact your child's teacher if you need to discuss any comments in more detail.

Using 'Sentral' as our student management system:

Thanks to the parents who have tried to access the portal. All parents should have received an access code for every student. ***Each student has their individual identifier code.*** There were some initial 'glitches' from the server at Sentral, but they now appear to have been resolved. Please contact Mrs Condon (Grade 5/6 teacher) via her email if you have not yet received a verification code or are having trouble logging in please.

Jacinta.Condon@education.vic.gov.au

Reflections on Term 2:

It certainly has been a term of change and flexibility. With a lot of work behind the scenes we were ready to commence Term 2, with the greater majority of our students learning remotely. Families quickly linked with teachers and supported home based learning programmes. At the same time, many parents were working from home too. Our teachers continued to support students daily and provide on– site supervision. This continued until only recently, when we were all able to return on– site together—a move welcomed by everyone! What a journey and a term to remember! More recent events continue to show us how quickly situations can change again. But I do know that our past journey has shown our great resilience and excellent support for working together as a Violet St PS community. Please take the time over the school holidays to rest and re—energise and see you back in Term 3!

Mandy Costello Principal **Be Your Best!**

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Calendar of Events

Regular Events

Camp Australia OSHC

Every day, Monday to Friday

3- 6pm

Library Club

Cancelled until further notice.

YOGA

Cancelled until further notice.

Brekky Club

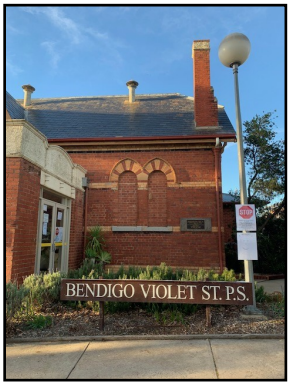
Cancelled until further notice.

FUN FIT FRIDAY

Cancelled until further notice.

ASSEMBLY

Cancelled until further notice.



Special Events

Thursday 25th June

Report cards go home.

Friday 26th June

Out of Uniform day!

Last day of Term 2! 2pm finish.

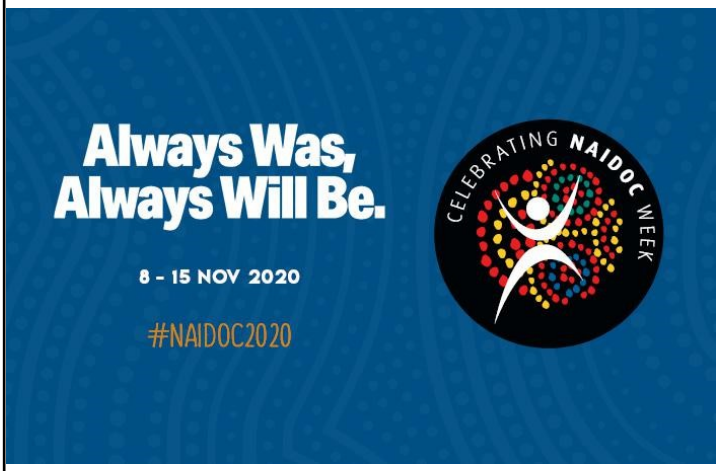
Monday 13th July

First day for Term 3.

Wednesday 15th July

Lunch Orders resume.

Please note the new postponed dates for NAIDOC week:



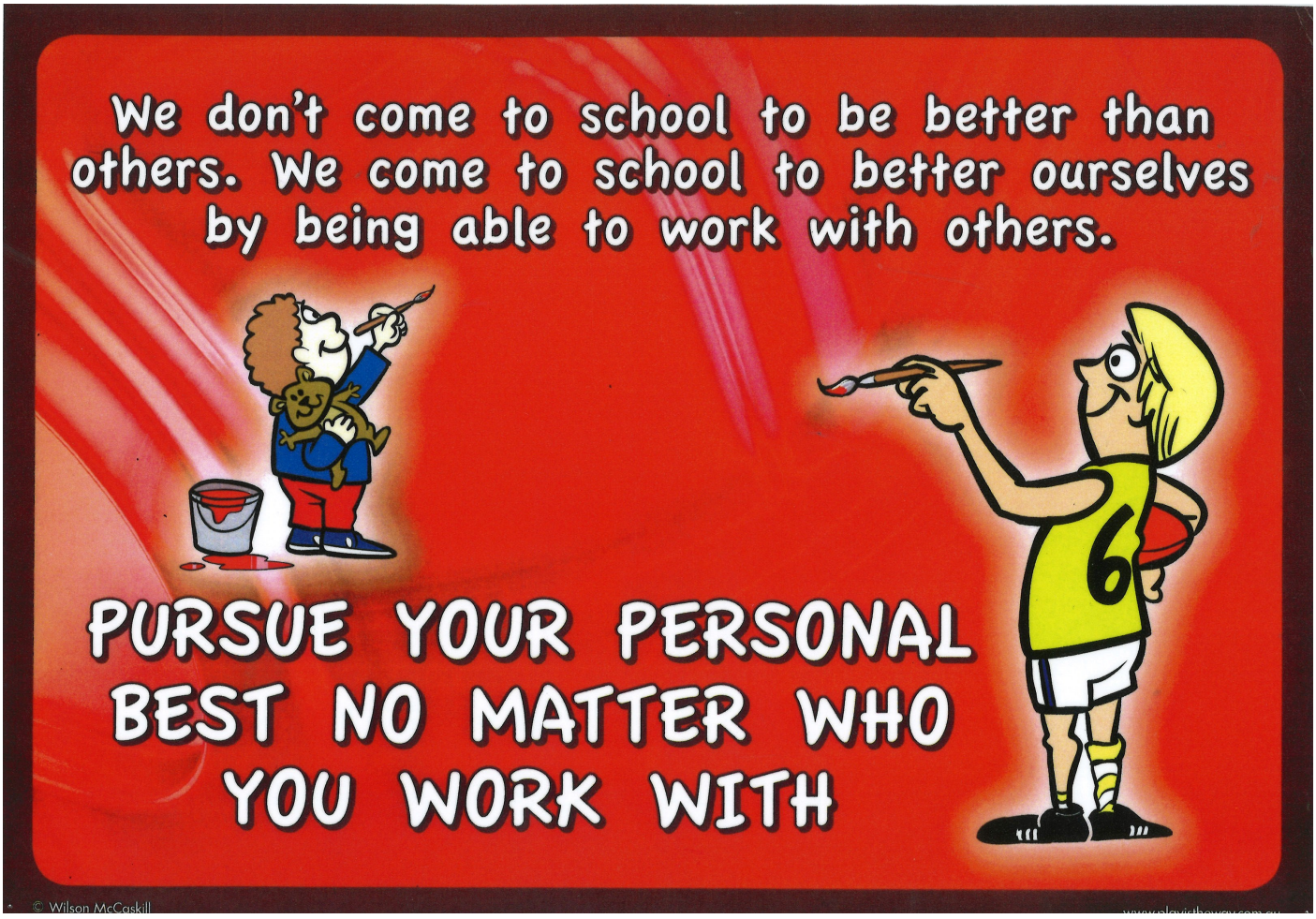
Pre-loved Uniforms!

Pre-loved uniforms are currently available by appointment only. **Please call the office to set up a time to come and view the items we have available.** If you have been having a clean out, we welcome any donations of pre-loved items. Please wash any items you have to donate and store in a plastic bag to drop off with a staff member when you are dropping your child to school. Thank you!

Wilson Corner

Learning new things is often an uncomfortable experience and it sometimes doesn't feel good, especially if it is something that you don't think you'll be able to do. This is true for all of us, and is something we need to keep in mind with our students when we are asking them to try new things. As teachers, we will always have your child's wellbeing in mind when we ask them to attempt something new and potentially tricky, but we also know how important it is for your child to learn to take risks and take that leap into the unknown, knowing we are there to support them.

Sometimes trying new things can be overwhelming for children, but now is the time to build their resilience while they have so many adults around to support them in their growth, so that when they are adults, they feel brave enough to take risks even without that support system around them. Children need to be taking these steps to independence now, and they have been handling it beautifully this term when they have had to walk into school on their own and unpack their bags without parental assistance. They help each other, and of course the teachers are always there to assist them, but they are growing more independent by the day. It is something we look forward to seeing more of next term. Have a great holiday!



For more information, please visit: https://playistheway.com.au/

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Koori News

NAIDOC week was meant to run from the 5th to the 20th July this year but unfortunately has had to be postponed and will now run from the 8th to the 15th of November.

However we will still be celebrating NAIDOC week next month as well!

The theme of this years NAIDOC week is 'Always Was, Always Will Be'.

Every year NAIDOC runs a poster competition that demonstrates the theme. Here is this years winner:

We will be running our own poster competition that demonstrates this years theme. Students can enter an A4 or A3 size poster and can use any medium they like to make the poster. They can use pastels, collage, photos, textas or anything they like. The only rule is that all of the poster must be used: **No blank spaces!**

The winners will receive a small prize presented at assembly and have their work displayed at school. **Posters must be submitted by Wednesday the 15th July.** Please hand in posters into the chute at the office!

Here is the land,

Here is the sky.

Here are your friends and here are mine.

We stand together,

Hand in hand

To respect and honour the Dja Dja Wurrung:

Traditional owners of this land

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Missing plants :

Unfortunately over the weekend someone removed the tree ferns from the garden area under the veranda upstairs outside Mrs Lowe's classroom. This is disappointing also, as our own students were responsible for planting the ferns and trailing plants in that area. We hope to re– plant the area again soon.

New uniform supplier and stock arriving soon:

We have secured a new uniform supplier– **Noones Imagewear.** They are situated at 21 Queen St Bendigo and open 5 days a week. They are aiming to have new supplies available in the holidays. The shop is closed for stocktake on Mon 29/6 and Tues 30/6—and people can place orders from Wed 1 July. Please watch our school's Facebook page for updates!

Need to re– stock the pantry?

Save the date, the next **FREE FRESH FOOD FRIDAY, on Friday 26th June (last day of Term 2!)** between 1:30 – 2 pm outside the Canteen!!

Fresh Food Friday

Important feedback needed via a survey:

We are still seeking feedback from our students and families about your teaching and learning experiences during the recent COVID 19 Remote Learning period. Please assist us by completing the on-line survey that accompanies this newsletter. The survey closes this Friday 26th June and takes less than 10 minutes to complete.

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Maths

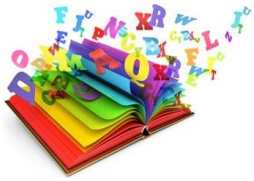
1/2 M.B

Room 6

Last week in 1/2 M.B we had the school's learning specialist, Mrs Kirkpatrick, come in to do some maths with the class. She showed them some great activities with number lines and ordering numbers. This is an example of the collaborative approach we have to lots of learning across the school.

Remember you can access Mathletics at home at www.mathletics.com.au and Mathseeds at https://mathseeds.com

Literacy



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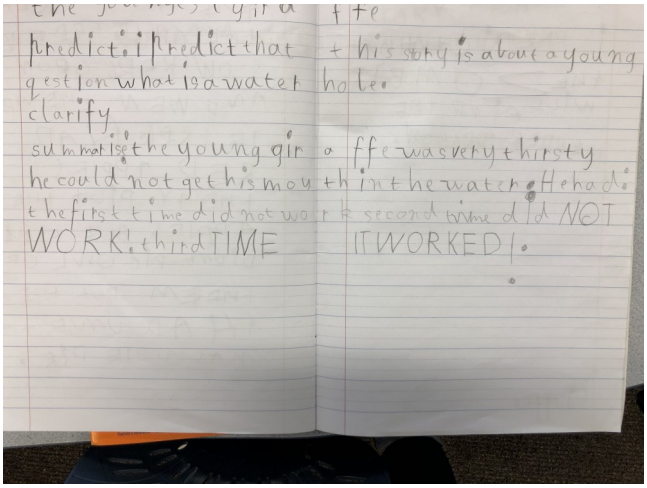

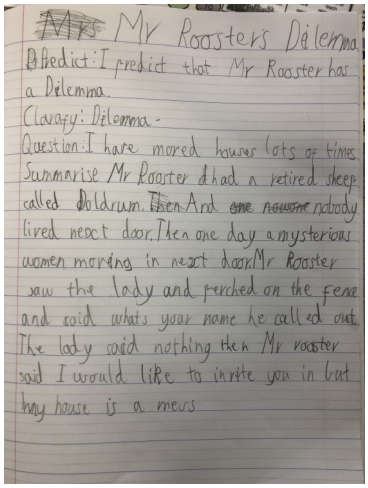

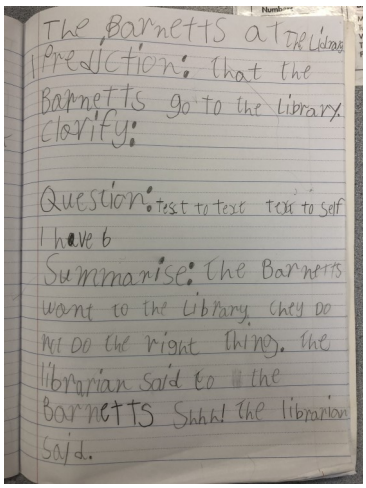

Over the course of the year we have been using the reciprocal reading method of: Predict, Clarify, Question and Summarise, to assist with reading comprehension. Here are some samples of work using the method from Malakai Drougas, Anusheh Goodman and Quinn Myers.

Remember you can access Reading Eggs at home at www.readingeggs.com

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Specialist Corner P.E.

I hope everyone is having a great week and has some exciting small group activities planned for the holidays. If you are looking to keep active during your break please see the virtual cross country details below. You can also practice your PE skills at home with some challenges on my YouTube channel **PE with Mr Tooley:** https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvBHgAcEEwACH4JbVoHQJtg?view_as=subscriber

Getting started

Find a suitable park, recreation reserve, oval, athletics track, green space, trails, the footpaths of the street on the block that you live to make a circuit (be safe out there if crossing streets) or even a treadmill.

There are four steps to get involved

Step 1: Run/Walk 1000m (children aged 5-8), 2000m (children aged 9-13) or 3000m (keen runners aged 11-13).

Step 2: **Fill out this form to submit for each separate run**. You can do multiple runs. Make sure you fill in everything accurately.

Step 3: (optional) You ought to be very proud of your sporting achievement. You can now print out a Participation Certificate to show off your proud sporting moment. Print out a Participation Certificate.

Step 4: (optional) Email an action photo of you running to **Steven.Tooley@education.vic.gov.au**

For further information please visit: https://ssv.vic.edu.au/Pages/VirtualCrossCountry.aspx

Have a great week,

Mr Tooley.

PE with Mr Tooley
https://tinyurl.com/y9tz2pmn

Out of Uniform! Day

FRIDAY 26 JUNE

Gold Coin donation to the SLC to purchase resources for our school.

Be there!