Our Vision Statement: 754 Primary School will maximise opportunities to develop resilient individuals in an ever changing world

Our Mission Statement for 2015-2018: 754 Primary School will aim to develop literate and numerate students through ongoing, structured, student-centred inquiry

December

Thur 1st: Salvation Army Community Breakfast
Fri 2nd: Grade 6 Melbourne Excursion
Sat 3rd: Bairnsdale Christmas Parade 10:30am

Tue 6th: Orientation Day
Thur 8th: Final Breakfast Club for 2016

December

Mon 12th: Grade 3-5 Award presentation 9:15am
Grade 6 Graduation Evening 5:30pm RSL
Volunteer’s Morning tea 10.50am (Staff Room)
Wed 14th: End of Year Family Concert and BBQ 5:30pm

Tue 20th: Last day of Term 4 (Early Dismissal)

Breakfast Club: Run by the Salvation Army. Held every Monday & Thursday 8am - 8:45am

Newsletter Week 9 Term 4 2016

Hello all

At this stage of the year the newsletter is very much about up to date information and organization, for both the end of the year and the start of 2017.

Last Wednesday after school, all the staff gathered in the staffroom to “sort” grades for 2017. As I’m sure that you can imagine – this is a huge task and almost an impossible jigsaw. The teachers take into account what is in the best interest for the academic advancement of the children, who their friends are and parents requests too. Well the challenge having been accepted, the job has been completed. We will be having 11 grades in 2017, with the class size averaging out at 25 students.

The children (and you!) will find out all details next Tuesday at Roll Up / Orientation Day. (Tuesday 6th December)

All of the 2017 Preps are invited to attend their “first day of school” next Tuesday. Please take the children to the current “big” prep room / old library and Lauren Strecker will be waiting ready for the day. Drop off at 9.00am and then a pick up from the room at 2.30pm. Each child will receive a letter at this Fridays transition program with more detail. This is a really important day / event to ensure a smooth transition to the start of school. At 9.05am, all the parents will be invited into the staffroom, where they will receive the “Prep Pack” and meet with myself and Warwick to make sure there is clear communication around all the details of starting at school.

All of our grade 6 children will be at their chosen Secondary School for the day. Each other child will go to their new room and teacher, with their new classmates from 9.00am to 10.50am from then – it will become a normal day.

The Staffing profile for 2017 is indicated over the page:

Hats on in Term 4!
We are yet to determine what areas of the school the Education Support staff will be working in, in 2017 – but that will be concluded within the next few days.

We now have all the 3 surveys in for 2016 the student, Parent and Staff surveys. The results of the 3 surveys are quite varied: The student survey was "middle of the road", the staff survey extremely positive and the parent survey, unfortunately was extremely negative. The concerns outlined in the parent survey have also been raised with the Review panel. Many of the concerns focus around the RACV Energy Breakthrough program, State School spectacular and communication. All areas of concern will be part of our critical planning for 2017. If you would like to discuss this in or more detail, always happy to chat.

As part of our staffing profile, we also need to recognise that some of our staff will be leaving us at the end of 2016. Jason Barton is of course off to Preshill in Kew, Annette Chandler is moving out to Swan Reach, Mel Pendergast will be finishing up, Anne Tucker will be retiring and Dawn Matthey will also be retiring.

These staff will be formally recognised at a staff function on Friday the 9th December, but I must take this opportunity to acknowledge the work of all staff across the 2016 year. It has been a year of challenge, change and improvement and I thank all for their significant contribution to the children of 754.

The Christmas Parade is this Saturday. The assembly point is our oval and all those from 754 who intend to join the parade are asked to be here between 10.00am and 10.15am. The theme is “Party Time”, so be encouraged to dress up in the Christmas, fun time, party time spirit. See you there!

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Something to Ponder: When was the last time that you sat back and thought “I am really proud of what I have achieved”? Our staff who are moving on, plus those who are retiring, will certainly be pondering this over the next weeks.

Talk Soon
Trudie Nagle
Principal

Grade 6 Melbourne Excursion:
On Friday the 2nd December the Grade 6 Students are heading off to Melbourne to visit a number of venues. This excursion is an integral part of the Civics and Citizens curriculum that has been covered this term. Grade 6 students will need to be at the train station by 5:45am. The train will arrive back into Bairnsdale at 10:18pm.

Hats on:
We still have a large number of students that do not have or have lost their Sunsmart hat. Our school abides by the Sunsmart policy and this requires each student to wear a Sunsmart hat while outside. Could parents please have a quick discussion with your child/children just to make sure they still have their hat and please make sure it is clearly labelled. Peak hats and caps are not acceptable as a sun smart hat as they do not shade the ears or the back of your child/children's neck.

754 Christmas Hamper Raffle
This year we are collecting for an end of year Christmas Hamper. We are asking for donations of either a small Christmas gift or non-perishable food items for the hamper. Donations can be left at the School Office. The lucky winner will be drawn at our Christmas BBQ and concert night – Wednesday, 14th of December.

Nude Food Report:
Last week, Green Team held a Nude Food Week. We counted the children who were totally Nude Foodies for the week. These are the students who were totally Nude Food but many students were Nude Food on some of the days, which is still a good effort.
3/4A 2 children Jessica and Lahnee
5/6A 4 children Tayah, Ethan, Jett and Gracie
3/4C 4 children John, Lily, Claire and Nichole
5/6H 1 children Stephanie
1/2A 7 children Gemma, William, Harry, James, Kaitlyn, Hugh and Lily
PrepA 5 children
These 23 students were Rubbish Free for the week and will participate in a prize. A big thank you to all the parents who supported Nude Food Week. It really does make a difference to our class waste. Well done everyone. From the Green Team.

Salvation Army Community Breakfast:
Thursday 1st December will be our last Community Breakfast for 2016. Please come along and support the Salvation Army as they volunteer so much time around our school. The Community Breakfast runs from 8am-8:45am and a gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated.

Community Breakfast

Breakfast Club:
The final Breakfast Club for 2016 will be held on Thursday 8th December.
**Student Awards**

Presented at previous Mondays Assembly

Prep A: **Laura Jeans** for always being a responsible class member.

Prep B: **Lila Tice** For always making positive choices in the classroom and in the playground.

1 /2 A:

1 /2 B:

1/2 C : **Max Braybon** for making more positive choices and listening to instructions.

3 /4 A: **Jasmin Nation** for always making positive choices in all aspects of her learning.

3 /4 B:

3 /4 C: **Toby Greaves** for showing responsibility with his learning by focussing on his tasks.

5 /6 A: **Marina Denner** for working hard to complete her set tasks.

5 /6 B: **Chloe Boulton** for being a responsible and organised student who always gives her best effort in class.

5 /6 C: **Jack Willacy** for making positive choices in your learning.

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**Canteen Roster**

**Term 4**

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| Tue 6th: Kaye C |
| Wed 7th: Edith R |
| Thur 8th: **Help Welcomed** |
| Fri 9th: Sam R |

Canteen Closed on Mondays

Spring/Summer Menu out now
Sausage Rolls are still Available.

Icy Tubes will be available with temperatures above 30°
50¢ each (limit of 2)

Volunteers welcome
If interested please contact Narelle Morgan 0417 329 184 or the school office.
754 Community Playgroup

Come along and have some fun playing together with your child (aged 0 – 5).

Play, Learn and Grow... Together!

Playgroup will take place every Thursday in the Bairnsdale Primary School Hall.

It is free of charge.

Morning tea will be provided

Tell your friends, all welcome.

Hope to see you there!

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL ON 5152-4395 OR CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!
Grades 3 – 5 Awards Day

Congratulations Everyone!

Monday 12th December
From 9.15am - School Hall

Grade 6 Graduation & Dinner Evening
Monday 12th December
Bairnsdale

CHRISTMAS APPEAL
THANK GOD FOR THE SALVS

TOY RUN

Sunday December 11th 2016
Meet at Bunnings Car Park At 10.00am

Toy Run times:
Assemble at Bunnings Car Park at 10.00am - 10.30am.
Briefing at 10.45am. Leave at 11.00 sharp.
Arrive at Bruthen 11.25pm to pick up more riders.
Depart Bruthen at 11.40pm.
Arrive at Nowa Nowa at 12.05pm to pick up more riders.
Depart Nowa Nowa 12.20pm.
Arrive in Lakes Entrance at Apex Park 12.45pm to pick up more riders.
Depart Lakes Entrance at 1.00pm
Arrive in Bairnsdale at 1.30pm
Ride through town and return to Bunnings car park to all arrive at
1.45pm to present the gifts to the Salvation Army.

Sausage Sizzle after the ride.
Lots of entertainment for the whole family.
Members of the public welcome.

Donate a Gift Card for older children.
Put a toy or two on your bike for the kids.

For more information contact Rod 0434 942 096
or visit www.bairnsdaletoyrun.com.au
www.facebook.com/ToyRunBairnsdale

Cash donations for food accepted.

Carols by the River

www.rivierecco.org.au

Local Artists
Games & Rides
Kids Activities
Hot Food

Sunday 4th December
Festival • 4.00pm
Howitt Park Oval
Carols • 8.00pm
Fireworks • 9.30pm
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| 2 | Children - A walking tour of the school with the grade 5 buddies. (30 minutes)  
Parents stay in staff room for a Q&A with Trudie Nagle  
Finish session in the art room – creating a book (15 minutes) | Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 9.00am until 9.45am |
| 3 | Children - In the Library with grade 5 buddies (30 minutes)  
Parents stay in staff room for information about reading with Trudie Nagle  
Finish session in the art room – creating a book (15 minutes) | Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 9.00am until 9.45am |
| 4 | In class with Mrs Chandler and grade 5 Buddies. (Parent drop off and pick up) | Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 9.00am until 9.45am |
| 5 | In class with Mrs Chandler and grade 5 Buddies (Parent drop off and pick up) | Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 9.00am until 9.45am |
| 6 | **Children – Book based craft activity in the art room with Buddies**  
Parents in staffroom – What is the role of Shely Freer PWO and Brad Kenny KESO? | Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 9.00am until 9.45am |
| 7 | **No Program Today** | Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November No Program Today |
| 8 | In class with Mrs Chandler and grade 5 Buddies (Parent drop off and pick up) | Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 9.00am until 9.45am |
| 9 | Orientation Day for ALL students in Victoria  
Parents meet in staffroom with Trudie Nagle | Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9.00am – 2.30pm |
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<td>Use excellent manners</td>
<td>Always make positive choices</td>
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<td>Be organized</td>
<td>Own your own behaviour</td>
<td>Be brave and persevere</td>
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<td>Listen to instructions</td>
<td>Be at line up on time</td>
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<td>Accept the consequences of your behaviours</td>
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