FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

CLASS STRUCTURE 2016

Student enrolments for 2016 are still being finalised. At this stage, the following class structure will be in place for 2016. In some areas we will continue to use co-teaching where 2 or 3 teachers will jointly share responsibility for a group of students.

- Foundation - 2 classes in rooms A5 and A6
- Year 1/2 - 3 classes in rooms B1, B2 & B3
- Year 3 - in rooms A1 & A2
- Year 4/5 - 3 classes in rooms B4, B5 & B6
- Year 6 in rooms A7 & A8

We will also introduce a Nurture Room in A4.

Specialist classes will include Art, Library, Music & Intervention.

I remind parents that a very successful co-teaching model allows teacher to plan together to cater for individual student’s education and social needs and provide higher levels of support for students and staff.

COMMUNITY MEALS PROGRAM

Throughout this semester Year 6 students have attended the MEAC lunch program each week helping to prepare and serve meals. The MEAC Community Meals Christmas Luncheon was held on Tuesday where Owen, myself, the students who had participated and their parents had the pleasure of attending the celebration in recognition of their work.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

I would like to thank the parents and staff who put in a great deal of work to ensure the success of family fun night last Thursday. It was great to catch up with students and their families. Congratulations to our lucky raffle winners:

1st Sandy Thomas
2nd Hannah Brady
3rd Dwayne Vineula

YEAR SIX GRADUATION

The Graduation is on Tuesday, December 15th at 6pm here at the school. The Graduation Ceremony celebrates the successful completion of our Year 6 student’s primary school education and is an opportunity to wish them well as they move on into Year 7. After the ceremony the Graduation Dinner will take place at the Mooroopna Golf Club.
VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA
We are very lucky to have such active parent support within the school and to show our appreciation, the staff invite all parents and volunteers who have helped in some way to a special morning tea held in the Learning Centre on Wednesday, 16th December at 11:00am. Please let your child’s classroom teacher know if you are able to come along.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
Mooroopna Carols by Candlelight will be held on Sunday 13th December at John Gray Oval. The Mooroopna Primary School Band and Choir will be performing.

CANTENE
December 16th is the last day of Canteen for 2015. Thankyou to the wonderful workers in the canteen who have done a fantastic job running the canteen throughout the year.

LIBRARY BOOKS
Do you have any of our Library Books at home???
Please ensure books are returned to the red tub outside the Library room door before the end of the term

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR BEE AWARDS WINNERS:

Year 5/6  Caitlin Glasson for her wonderful assistance given to Mrs Pritchett at the fair.
          Marney McIntyre for a consistent great effort across all areas of the curriculum. Keep up the great work.
Year 4   Ella Van Someren for continually displaying our school values.
          Joshua Berry for continually displaying our school values.
Year 3   Jasmine Stingel for having a positive attitude and putting in effort at swimming.
          Courtney Miller for putting in a great effort at swimming.
Year 2   Bailey Poole for his fantastic contributions to our classroom discussions. Well done Bailey!
          Jean Firebrace for her fantastic attitude towards all that we do in the classroom. Well done Jean!
Year 1   Aaliyah Atkinson for maintaining a positive attitude towards all classroom activities. Keep up the great work.
          Marcus Turner for great improvement when sounding out his words in writing. Well done Marcus.
Foundation  Ziva Lowden for reading her take home books with confidence.
              Jack Mahoney for showing respect to his teachers and peers.
Art       Foundation D for being persistent to complete their shape robots.
Music     Year 4 for being persistent at learning new musical skills.

BEE FOCUS: Bee-ing a learner. Doing our best.
GUITAR & KEYBOARD LESSONS IN 2016
Cliff Doornkamp will be conducting both guitar and keyboard lessons at the school in 2016. Lessons are held each Tuesday with individual lessons lasting 20 minutes. The cost is $17 per lesson (payable at time of lesson). For more information, please contact Cliff Doornkamp on 0474 769 963. Please complete details below and return to the school office to express your interest.

Name ................................................................. Grade ........ Room ......................

Guitar □  Keyboard □  Parents Signature  ........................................ Phone ..........................

CHRISTMAS HAMPER
Once again this year we will be organising the annual Christmas Hamper Raffle. Some suggestions for donations include: Christmas decorations, long-life grocery items, stationary etc. Anything would be greatly appreciated. Donations need to be brought to school by Tuesday 15th December.

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2015 Graeme Cross Memorial Scholarship
Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Shepparton South Inc.

Applications for a $500.00 scholarship for a Year 6 student/
We are asking for hand written applications indicating
• School participation
• Musical, artistic and sporting achievements
• Community and charity activities
• A copy of the latest available school report
• A reference from an adult person 18 years or older, who has known the student for at least two years.

Please do not send valuable documents with your application. Photocopies are acceptable.

Applications will close on the 17th December 2015, and are to be forwarded to:

Secretary
Rotary Club of Shepparton South
PO Box 1175

2016 Primary School Education Scholarships
Applications open 8 February – 19 February 2016

Scholarship information
Ganbina Primary School Education Scholarships are designed to help cover education expenses of Indigenous students.
The 2016 Scholarship applications are open to the families of guardians or children who are either primary school or high school students today.

2016 application dates
Applications open on Monday 15 February 2016 and close on Friday, 19 February at 4:00 pm.

How to apply
If you would like to apply for a Ganbina Primary School Education Scholarship, please call our office on 03 5821 7555 to arrange an appointment with us.

When you come in to the office for your appointment, please bring with you:
• A copy of your child’s school report
• A letter from a parent or a guardian stating who is a business, birth certificate or health care card

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Transition Day
Soon we will be welcoming our 2016 Foundation students. To ensure transition into Primary School runs smoothly we run transition sessions for the new students. They are introduced to the school program as well as the playground where they had lots of fun.
FAMILY FUN NIGHT!