

Newsletter

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DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER

23rd -26th Energy Breakthrough
28th 2024 Foundation Transition
Session & Uniform Shop Fittings

DECEMBER

1st F - Yr2 Athletics
5th 2024 Foundation Transition
Session
6th Yr6 Funfields Excursion
Parent Helpers Morning Tea
7th EOY Concert
8th Assembly - 2024 Yr6 Leader
Announcements
12th State Wide Yr6 -Yr7 Transition
2024 Foundation Parents -
Orientation Session
2024 Foundation Transition
Sessions
14th Yr6 Graduation
15th Final Assembly
18th Last School Day for students
3.20pm Dismissal
19th-20th
Pupil Free - Curriculum Days
January
29th Pupil Free - Curriculum Day
30th First School Day for Yr1-Yr6

Dear Parents / Guardians

Foundation Transition 2024

Yesterday saw the first of our 2024 foundation transition sessions. Most students were able to attend for the morning and we had a fabulous time. It was lovely to meet such excited children and parents (I may have a new bestie). Next Tuesday will be the second of the transition mornings so if you see a new child or family make sure that you say hello.

Lost Property

We still have a large amount of lost property which seems to grow on a daily basis. With the colder mornings and warmer days students tend to shed their jackets during breaks. Please feel free to stop in and wade through the jackets. Thanks to our staff who try and get them back to students and the parents who help sort the mess.

You can help us by making sure that your child's clothing is clearly labelled. That dodgy pen may have faded over the course of the year.

Sunscreen

With our inconsistent weather can you please ensure that your child has sunscreen in their bag for use on those high UV days. Please ensure it is of the 'roll on' variety, with the container clearly labelled with their name. Your child will also need to be able to apply it themselves.

Pupil Free Days

We have two remaining pupil free days for 2023 and these will happen at the end of the year on the 19th and 20th December. Staff will use these days to organise classrooms and programs for the start of 2024.

Students will be dismissed for the year on Monday 18th December at 3.20pm.

Energy Breakthrough

Our Energy Breakthrough team is currently in Maryborough competing. The students, parents and Mr Bell have worked extremely hard to make this happen so we wish them well and hope that they have a fantastic time, filled with laughter and lifelong memories.

Student class placements for 2024

Parents with specific reasons relating to their child's academic and/or wellbeing circumstances may make a request for consideration of class placement for their child in 2024. This request needs to be clearly expressed in writing and forwarded to me. Please do not assume that the teacher or I already have this information. If you consider that this is important, write it down and send it in. This must be done by Friday 24th November.

Requests will be considered on merit and are not guaranteed. If classmates selected on a friendship basis depart the school after classes have been made, alteration to classes will be unlikely. Requests based only on a desire for a specific teacher will not be considered. Once finalised by the school, classes are very unlikely to be changed, as this impacts the entire class making process.

On Thursday 14th December, there will be a 'Step Up' morning, in which students will meet their 2024 teacher, classmates and classroom.

Shane West
Principal

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Chester Chatter

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It's been a week of sunshine, socialising and welcoming new students to our school for Chester. He enjoyed visiting the older students as they played, then relaxed and listened to some wonderful speeches in Year Five. After that it was off to meet with the enthusiastic soon-to-be-NGPS students, who attended their first transition session this week.



FOOD DRIVE

Please help us collect non-perishable items for the Gisborne Foodbank in the lead up to Christmas.



DROP-OFF :

Mrs Ahtuam's classroom (1D)
before December 6th.



Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

INFORMATION NOTICE



The Years F-2 Modified House Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 1st December on our NGPS OVAL. The day will begin at 9am with a short briefing, the first event commencing at approximately 9.10am, finishing at around 1.30pm.

Athletics is part of our school's Physical Education curriculum. The day provides students with an opportunity to showcase some of the skills they have learned during the athletics program this term and most importantly have a lot of fun.

The students will compete in 10 events within their grades, which will be completed in 20 minute rotations. We will be assisted by some Year 6 students who will help to run the events on the day. Parents are welcome to attend. **Only participants and volunteers are permitted ON THE OVAL.** All the events will be on or around the oval.

This is a House sports event and we therefore encourage students to dress up in their House colours to get into the spirit of the day. Please ask your child's teacher if you're unsure of the House or colour that your child should be wearing.

RED - LEE LIONS 🦁 **YELLOW - GALLOWAY GRIZZLIES** 🐻 **GREEN - HURST HAWKS** 🦅 **BLUE -DEVLIN DINGOS** 🐕

The students will have breaks at normal time and will be encouraged to bring water bottles and a healthy snack. We encourage all parents to prepare a healthy lunch and snack for students to promote the day as a complete 'Health Day'. This includes starting the day with a healthy breakfast. Students will be asked to bring along fruit/veg, healthy snacks and water.

The focus of the day is very much about participation and fun, and every child will receive at least one House point for participating in each individual event. Bonus points will be awarded for reaching certain standards, good sportsmanship and terrific behaviour. The House with the most points will be the F-2 Athletics Champion for 2023.

We are seeking some parent volunteers to assist on the day. Ideally, we would like 2 parent helpers per class. Jobs will include assisting with scoring and class supervision with your child's teacher. Please note **ALL** volunteers need a **CURRENT WWCC** and to have nominated NGPS as a volunteer organisation. **Please inform your child's teacher if you're available to assist on the day.** Written permission will need to be obtained from every parent for other children to be photographed.

If the House Athletics Day is called off due to poor weather, we will do our best to find an alternative day to run the carnival at school. We will attempt to give as much notice as possible if the day is going to be cancelled due to poor weather, however please understand that due to the importance and logistical nature of the day, this will sometimes mean the morning of the Carnival. Notification will be sent via Compass.

Kind regards
Joanna Mason
PE & Sport Coordinator 😊

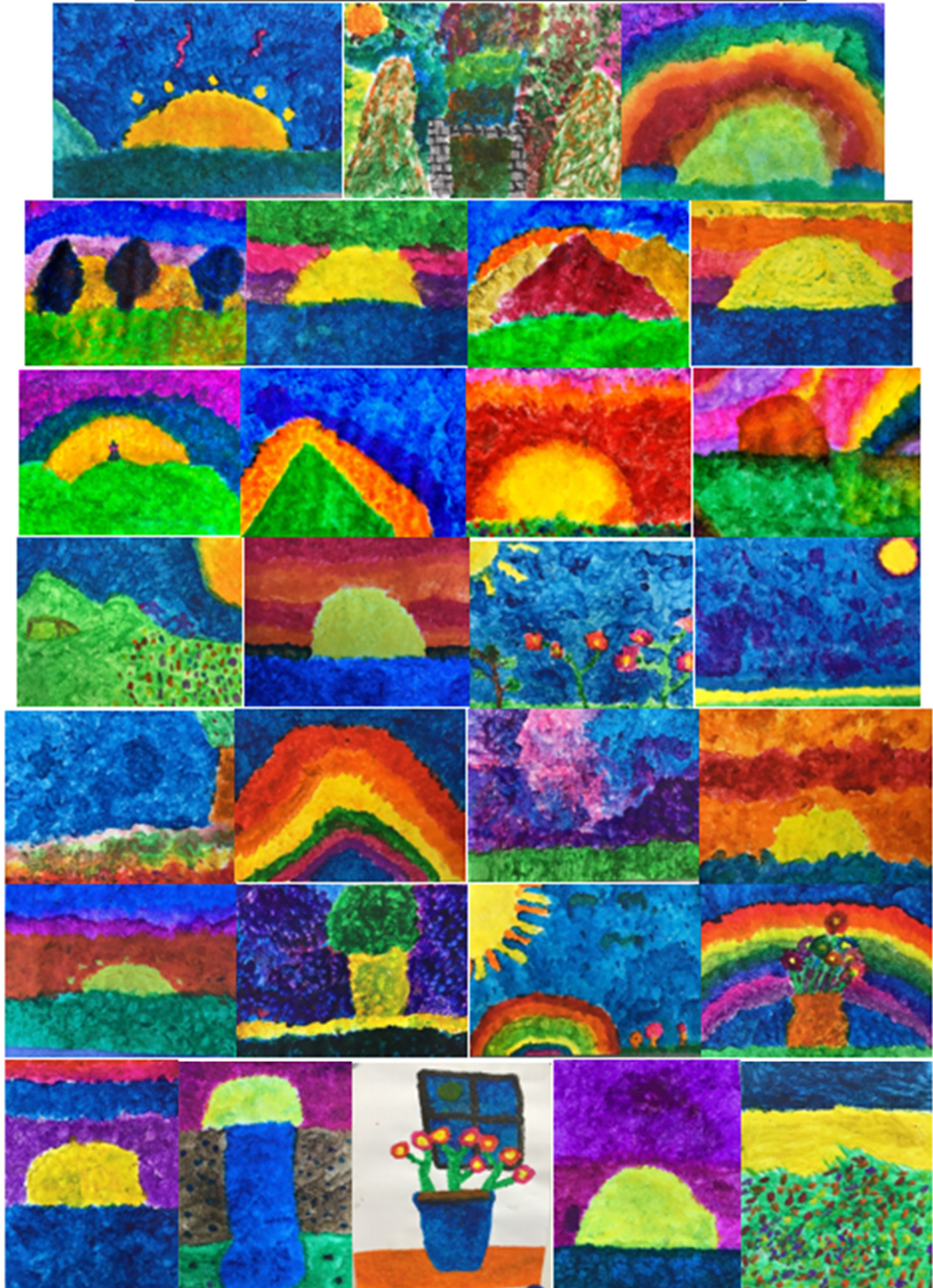
Sport/PE

WATER BOTTLES, HATS AND RUNNERS

Please help your child/children remember these important items for school. As the weather is warming up, we are outside during PE lessons. Having the appropriate items with us ensures our learning time is kept to a maximum. Don't forget to bring your HATS and WATER BOTTLES every day, and runners especially on your P.E. days.



Year Three Impressionist Paintings



HUNGRY POSSUM ROSTER

**We are always looking for canteen volunteers!
If you are able to help, it would be very much
appreciated.**

**Contact Brenda at
Brenda.Morgan@education.vic.gov.au**

Friday 24th November	Wednesday 29th November
Heidi Theuerle & Nicola Ciesielski	
Friday 1st December	Wednesday 6th December
Heidi Theuerle & Nicola Ciesielski	Annika Karlsson



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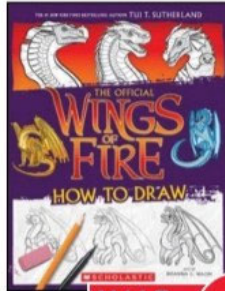
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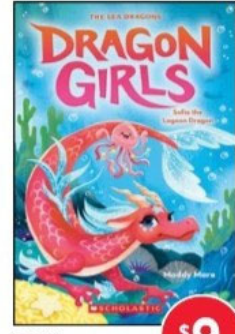
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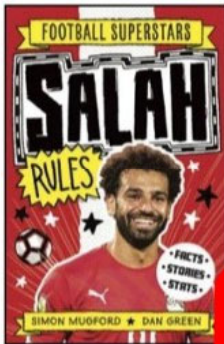
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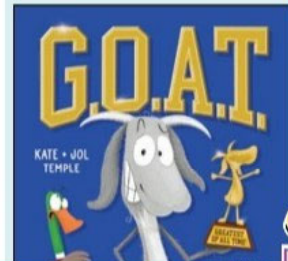
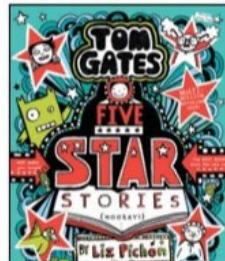
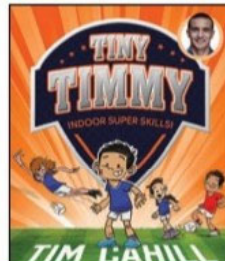


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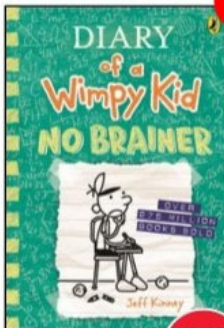


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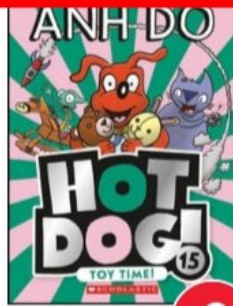
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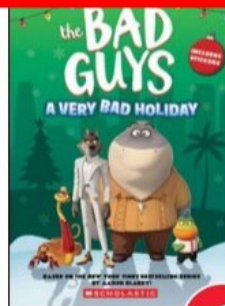
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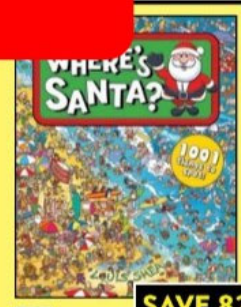
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Romsey Primary School Station Street
OPEN TO ALL PARENTS IN THE MACEDON RANGES
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SUSAN MCLEAN

Susan McLean is Australia's foremost expert in the area of Cybersafety and young people. She was the first Victorian Police Officer appointed to a position involving Cybersafety and young people. Susan took her first report of cyberbullying in 1994 and since then she has conducted extensive research and has completed advanced training & tertiary studies in both the USA and UK and is a sought-after presenter and advisor to Schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL, GPs, and both State and Federal Governments.

An educational & entertaining session for Parents and carers, Susan's unparalleled knowledge leaves audiences shocked at the reality of the online world. It is a wake up call to even the most switched on parent and is delivered with Susan's famous 'no nonsense' approach. The session will cover the positive benefits of technology as well as what parents need to be aware of.

Cyberspace 101. The reality of the online world. It's not a matter of if - rather than when.

What are kids doing online. Learn the latests apps and platforms your kids are either on, want to be on or are being told about at school. TikTok, Omegle, House Party & more.



Online Grooming. What is it and when/how does it occur? What are the warning signs & what to do if you suspect this is happening to your child.

Cyberbullying. What it is, where it happens, what it looks like, how to prevent and what to do if it occurs. Also the legal consequences and the possible criminal charges.

Exposure to damaging content. Including online pornography & sites that encourage suicide, self harm & eating disorders.

Top Tips- how to assist the children in your care to stay safe online with rules, parental controls and restriction passcodes.



Email the school at Romsey.ps@education.vic.gov.au or call on 5429 5099 to secure your spot.

THE SESSION WILL CONCLUDE WITH TIME FOR QUESTIONS

GISBORNE COMMUNITY CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday 10th Dec
6:00pm

Dixon Field,
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The Gisborne Men's Shed has built another Cubby House, including furniture, to be raffled with all proceeds benefiting the Gisborne Foodbank. The Cubby House (or garden shed or man cave or) will be delivered and assembled on an easily accessible and flat site within a 30 km radius of Gisborne prior to Christmas or at a mutually convenient later date.

The raffle will be drawn at 11:00am on Monday 18th December at The Shed

\$5/ticket on-line sales only

Check out the Gisborne Foodbank or Men's Shed Facebook page to find out where the Cubby will be on display

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