

## From the Principal

### Return to School

We look forward to seeing our children and families on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July for the beginning of Term 3. Hopefully the next two weeks provides you all with the opportunity to spend some quality time together. Some of our staff, Mrs Leversha, Mrs Goding and Mr Hally, will be taking Long Service Leave at the beginning of the Term. All students from those grades have received communication regarding the replacement teacher and the length of leave. If you require any further clarification please contact the office.

### King St Upgrade

Thanks to the families and community members of our school who have been patient during the building works that have taken place along King St this week. Your flexibility in making alternative arrangements is greatly appreciated.

### Linking Learning Final Symposium

Yesterday, I had the fortunate experience to attend a celebration for the work that has been undertaken by many schools across the state, to improve the transition from kindergarten to school. The Linking Learning initiative in the Bass Coast Shire has involved a three year partnership with Cowes Primary School and Bass Valley Primary School. Each of the school sites have developed stronger links with their pre school service providers and accordingly improved each school's capacity to have a better understanding of each child before they enter Prep. In particular, our school has developed the Leap into Learning Program and utilised the Early Years Evaluation tool to prepare our students for school life at Wonthaggi Primary.

The Minister for Families and Children, the Hon Jenny Mikakos, spoke yesterday and was quick to highlight the fantastic work that all of schools in the Linking Learning program have undertaken. The results of this program in terms of readiness for school and improved levels of oral language development in our pre school students, has resulted in the State Government unveiling the Early Childhood Reform Plan. This will be a \$200 million investment in Victoria's pre school services which addresses the current climate of pre prep students and reflects that 1 in 5 students who begin school across the State are not developmentally ready. Wonthaggi Primary can be very proud of their work to improve the learning outcomes of our students and also the fact that they have helped shape government initiatives and policy. The work we have undertaken will lead to the development of better learning environments for students across the State of Victoria.

### Leap into Learning Program

This year the Leap into Learning Program will begin at the start of Term 4 and will run for 9 weeks. Angela Smith and Chris Blundell will once again coordinate our program and it will be offered to any children who will be attending our school in Prep at the beginning of 2018. This year our program will run from 9:15am to 12:15pm on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

### A Big Term

On behalf of School Council, I'd like to congratulate our students and staff for their efforts this term to make our school a great place to learn and have fun. Our students have been excellent in their endeavours to engage in the many challenging and supportive learning experiences. We ask a lot of our students every day and in every session, and their Growth Mindset is a credit to their inner drive to become the best they can be. Our staff have worked tirelessly to develop and implement a learning program which targets the individual needs of our students. Our teachers will certainly use the next two weeks to recharge their batteries in preparation to hit the ground running in Term 3.

*Kind Regards*  
*Mark Chandler*  
*Acting Principal*

**WE ARE NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR  
2018 CALL OUR OFFICE FOR A TOUR  
(03) 5672 1600**

## FOR YOUR DIARY

### JUNE

#### Friday 30th

- [CSEF Applications Close](#)  
[Last chance to claim for 2017](#)
- **STUDENT FREE DAY —  
CURRICULUM DAY**

### JULY

#### Monday 17th

- **Term 3 Starts**
- Canteen re-opens

#### Thursday 20th

- State Cross Country -  
Bundoora

#### Friday 21st

- **Breakfast Club Resumes  
for Term 3**

#### Wednesday 26th

- Regional Winter Team  
Sports Finals

### AUGUST

#### Tuesday 1st

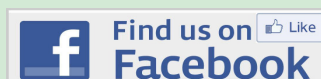
- I.C.A.S. English testing

#### Wednesday 16th

- I.C.A.S. Mathematics  
testing

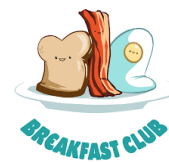
#### Friday 18th

- Final Payment dues for  
Gd. 3/4 Forest Lodge  
Camp



#### **Breakfast Club**

Each Friday  
from 8.30am  
in the **Art Room**.  
Gluten Free Toast  
and Cereal are  
available



## CSEF - Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- **Primary school student rate: \$125.00 per year (per student for individual student only)**
- **Secondary school student rate: \$225.00 per year (per student for individual student only)**

**LAST CHANCE TO APPLY FOR 2017**

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

**An application form is available from the school office. Applications close on Friday 30th June 2017.**

To be eligible you must hold a concession card which is successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30th January 2017) or term two (18th April, 2017).

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

#### READING AWARDS

Watch for details and pictures in the first Newsletter of next Term.



'School Holiday Special Needs Family Get-together'

When: **Wednesday July 12<sup>th</sup>**

Time: **10am - 11.30am**

Where: Coronet Bay Hall Bantering Bay Road Coronet Bay, VIC 3984.

Come one, come all... A chance for families of children with special needs to get together, share knowledge and support each other or just have a cuppa and a chat. A gathering place for our children to play and be their individual little selves in a parent supported environment. This is a parent-run initiative; there are no specialist services involved. All children 0-18yrs welcome. Please bring your own morning tea/snacks/drinks. \*\$5 per family to cover costs. Please share details with others that may be interested.

**YES, I WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE!**

Contact

Shannan: 0404535990

Claire: 0402560549



#### Come and try Cheerleading

Leongatha Gymnastics Club is starting a new Cheer program in term 3. Classes will run Thursday and Friday nights from 4 pm. Classes are suitable for Boys and Girls aged 6 and up.

#### What is Cheerleading?

Cheerleading is a competitive, team based stand alone sport that involves both males and females performing a 2:30 minute routine composed of stunting, pyramids, group tumbling, jumping and a dance break. Cheerleading is a fantastic opportunity to join a new team, create lifelong friendships, keep fit and most of all have fun!

If you are interested in trying the class we are offering a free trial class on Tuesday 11th of July from 4-5 pm.

Contact the club to book a spot via email [leongathagymclub@hotmail.com](mailto:leongathagymclub@hotmail.com)

## CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen will re-open on Monday 17th July. A new Canteen Price List will be sent out with the first Newsletter of Term 3.

Enjoy the Holidays.

Louise Irving  
Canteen Manager

### MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK - Solutions for last week!

**Junior School:** There were **15** more seashells than stones.

**Middle School:** Rebecca hired **four** towels and **three** deckchairs.

**Senior School:** Diagonals are Square - 1, Pentagon - 2, Hexagon - 3, Heptagon - 4, Octagon - 5 and figures with: 50 sides - 47, 80 - 77, 100 - 97.

## HOLIDAY MATHS

**Congratulations**, to the students who had a go at solving the Maths Problem of the Week during Term 2. We really enjoyed seeing the way you recorded your thinking, and the great problem solving strategies you used.

Remember to keep practising your maths skills during the holidays by:

- Earning more live points on Mathletics.
- Using playing cards to practise multiplication facts, and to play addition and subtraction games.
- Reading maps if you are travelling.
- Calculating change when you are shopping.

**We look forward to seeing more entries during Term 3. Enjoy the holidays!**

*Mr Terlich and Ms Thomas*