Message from the Principal

Last week I had the pleasure of going on the Grade 3/4 excursion to Melbourne. It was such a rewarding experience to see the children so excited and motivated to connect some of their learning for the term with fun hands on activities. Poly Woodside offered a range of experiences which brought the children’s learning of the First Fleet alive as they were able to simulate the tough conditions and consolidate important vocabulary. The other main focus of the excursion was the Chinese Museum which connected important aspects of our Mandarin Language Program. I’m sure all the children, parents and staff enjoyed the experience as much as I did. With such a memorable experience comes rich writing opportunities so please take the time to read some of the Grade 3/ 4 writing samples on the skoolbag app or website version of the newsletter.

In the coming weeks the school’s leadership team, in consultation with all teaching staff will commence work on the development of class structures for the 2017 school year. If there are any families contemplating a move from St Kieran’s into another school it is important that we are informed of your intentions so classes can be finalised. If you know of families from other schools that are thinking about attending our school in 2017 please encourage them to come and do a tour and meet me. Once numbers have been finalised and grade structures confirmed, we will then commence the process of allocating children to classes. Grouping of students will be based on the educational philosophies of the school taking into account an effective balance of social, emotional, academic and physical needs of students. I am always happy to allow parents time to come and see me to discuss their views on what may be best for the following year, however no guarantees can ever be made. If you would like to discuss your child for next year please come and see me in the first few weeks of Term 4.

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WHAT’S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

SENIOR BASKETBALL

The second stage of the school basketball was held at the Traralgon Sports Stadium. There were a total of four different teams competing for the day. We ended up playing 5 games for the day, one against all teams in the opening rounds, which we won 2 out of the 3 games. We made it through to the semi-finals and played against Churchill. We won the semi-final and that meant that we played St Michael’s in the grand final. The first time we played against St Michael’s we didn’t play too well as a team. We learnt a lot from that game though and going into the grand final we were pumped up! We gave our all and by half time it was so close, we were down by only 1 point. We ended up losing by 10 points but they were a very good team. We finished the day in second place. We would like to thank all the mums for driving us to Traralgon, Nick Luke for giving up his time to coach us and Mrs E. and Mr McKenna for their time and efforts in getting a team together.

Monday Munchies

Our Monday Munchies program promotes healthy eating and our students are provided with free fruit and veggies at recess every Monday. We are very grateful to Woolworths Moe for their continued support of our program. Monday Munchies would not be possible without the assistance of our wonderful parent/grandparent helpers. We are looking for some new helpers for Term 4 who can spare an hour approximately once a month from 10:30am to 11:30am on a Monday. The role entails cutting up the produce, serving the children and then clean up afterwards. A Working with Children Check is required. If you are able to assist please contact Monica Huffer, Family School Partnership Convenor, at the school. Monday munchies will commence in Week 2 of Term 4, Monday 10th October and run until Monday 12th December.

Monday Munchies roster - Term 4  Emergency: Belinda Vella

| Monday 10th October: Carol Grigarius | Monday 17th October: Karen Davis | Monday 24th October: Shirley Weir |
| Monday 7th November: Carol Grigarius | Monday 14th November: Karen Davis | Monday 21st November: Shirley Weir |
| Monday 28th November: Midi Cosgriff | Monday 5th December: Carol Grigarius | Monday 12th December: Karen Davis |

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Term 4 Tuckshop Roster

Thank you to all the Mums who helped out in the tuck shop this term. It continues to be the biggest revenue raiser for the P & F. It makes such a huge difference when everyone does a bit to help out. If you can’t do your Day in Term 4 could you please swap with another parent or contact Belinda or Heather.

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Walk to School October
Walk to School October encourages children and their parents to walk to and from school on the first day of Term 4 (October 3rd) and keep it up each school day throughout the month. You can walk, ride or even scoot. Part of the way is okay too! There will be many prizes on offer including a scooter, sports stores vouchers, lightweight raincoats and leisure centre passes. Each classroom will be completing a Walk to School calendar where students will record the number of walks to and from school.

Smoking Policy

From 13 April 2015 smoking is banned within the grounds of and within four meters of entrances (pedestrian access points) to all Victorian primary and secondary schools at all times, no matter whether the building or school grounds are being used for education purposes or other purposes. The ban applies when other activities are taking place on the school grounds, such as fetes or sporting events, as well as during school hours. The ban includes all Government, independent and Catholic schools. The purpose of this smoke free legislation is to protect children and young people from the harms of second-hand smoke and to reduce role modelling of smoking behaviours to children and young people.

Term 4 Hall Assemblies

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Flag assemblies on a Monday morning will be run in the odd weeks beginning at 8.45. Now that we have the warmer weather we would love more parents to stay 10 minutes for these quick assemblies.

**T M & H Timber & Hardware BBQ Fundraiser for St Kieran’s**

T M & H are running Community fundraising BBQs ever Saturday morning. St Kieran’s Care Group and P & F have been given the first day on Saturday 1st of October (Grand Final Day). Come down early before the big game starts to say hello and buy a sausage. The St Kieran’s Care Group provides assistance, meals and anything else required for our families who are experiencing trauma, loss or hardship.

**Footy Day at St Kieran’s**

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who helped with our Footy Day Canteen. The children really enjoyed their footy food and had a great time at the St Kieran’s Paddock participating in the footy clinic organised and conducted by the Grade 6 students. Below are pictures of our ‘longest kick’ winners and the specky rotation activity.
Holiday Fun Ideas

**WEEK 1**

**FREE EVENT**

**Maisy STORYTIME**

Bring the little ones along to meet lovable Maisy Mouse at this special Storytime session. They will listen to the Maisy stories and take part in a simple craft activity.

**MORWELL LIBRARY**

Tuesday 20 September at 11am

**FREMANTLE HUB**

Wednesday 21 September at 11am

**TOMALON LIBRARY**

Thursday 22 September at 10.20am and 11.30am

**BUNOON LIBRARY**

Friday 23 September at 11am

Bookings for these events are essential and can be made in person at any Latrobe City Library or Service Centre or by calling 1300 367 700.

Don't be disappointed book early to secure your child's place.

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**WEEK 2**

**The Music Man**

Paul Jamieson is a multi-talented entertainer who gets the audience moving and grooving to the contagious rhythms of reggae, rap, calypso and pop.

Paul loves audience participation and will encourage children to play along using a musical instrument from his bag of goodies.

Paul will have his CDs and DVDs available on the day to buy.

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**ANDREW PEAVEY’S Tennis Program**

Tennis lessons on either a group or private basis are available after school at St Kieran’s Primary School on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Programs/lessons include:

- Private tennis lessons (1 or 2 students)
- Group tennis lessons (4-5 students max – any age)
- “Hotshots Program” (starting tennis program ages 3-12 years (includes free tennis racquet)
- “Cardio tennis” – (any parents or students wanting to improve their fitness with a tennis component)

Andrew is a qualified T.C.A. coach with over thirty years coaching experience and has been the St Kieran’s Primary School coach for the past 20 years.

For bookings and enquiries contact Andrew on 0402 236 601
GRADE 3/4 Excursion Writing

This is an introduction to a persuasive place on... Why the Polly Woodside is a great place to visit. By Sophie E

Polly Woodside is a fantastic excursion because kids enjoy using something from history and getting to see how things were like on ships at that time. There is also great learning for kids over two hours, with a couple of expert tour guides. Finally, kids can enjoy sharing the fun at an excursion to Polly Woodside.

The Journey of the Polly Woodside  By Bryson Savage

Dear Diary Day 1 The Polly Woodside was launched 7th of December 1904 and the length was 70m long. When I first saw it I was amazed at the length because it looked really big. I am looking forward to sailing on the Polly Woodside. It was originally built by William J.

Dear Diary Day 2 I was really scared because the ship kept rocking side to side and I am only nine years old and I don’t want the ship to flip.

Dear Diary Day 3 The Polly Woodside was still on the ocean. I am still scared so I got my scope and tried to search for land, I didn’t find any land. I was even more scared because we were out in the middle of the ocean. It was night and I was lying in bed but I couldn’t go to sleep because the bed was really hard and all I could hear was mice running and scurrying around below me.

Dear Diary Day 4 I can’t stand this stinking boat anymore, I wanted to jump off the ship, but we were in the middle of the ocean and I wouldn’t survive so I stayed on the ship.

Dear Diary Day 5 In the morning I got my scope and I started searching for land again, I finally saw some land. The Polly Woodside docked to pick up some more supplies so I got off the ship and decided I couldn’t put up with the stinking smells, rocking of the ship and harsh conditions.

Investigation Report - Polly Woodside  By Aaron Abuan

When the Polly Woodside sailed from England to New Zealand in 1904, the conditions were harsh and the activity on the ship was scary.

Ship Information

The Polly Woodside is one of the biggest and longest ships in Australia. It was built on the 7th of December 1885 and is 131 years of age. It was renamed ‘Rona’ after Rona Monro in 1904.

Ship Conditions
The ship sailed from England to New Zealand and went through quite a lot of problems. The food was horrible because it had grubs and maggots. The conditions were humid and they sailed through pretty crazy storms.

**The Hard Working Crew**

The activity on the ship was very scary and felt like a horror movie. The crew members of the ship collected coal and bird poo and didn’t get a shower unless it rained. They worked in very hard thunder storms and around 30 people died on the ship.

Living on the Polly Woodside is not a dream come true! The food is horrible, the conditions were humid and the activity on the ship was scary. You don’t want to live on a ship like this!

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**Life on the Polly Woodside**

by Leigh Effenberg

Welcome aboard. Today you will be learning about the past of The Polly Woodside.

**Built and launched**

*Polly Woodside* was built in Belfast, Ireland. The *Polly Woodside* was launched on the 7th of December 1885.

**Ship ownership**

In 1904 the *Polly Woodside* was sold to A.H. Turnbull. It was renamed Rona after the daughter of the shareholder of the company Miss Rona Monro.

**Ship conditions**

Life on the *Polly Woodside* in the 1900s was horrible. There were maggots in the food and the ship stank of poo. The ship got a bad reputation around the world for its bad conditions. Today the *Polly Woodside* was fixed up it looked beautiful and that’s why it is enjoyed by so many people today.

So I hoped you enjoyed this lesson about this precious ship.
RECOUNT

On the 3/4 excursion, we had lots of fun. First we went on the bus from Moe to Melbourne. Most people came at around 7.45. When we were on the bus some people got sick. So the people that would get car sick or bus sick would sit at the front of the bus. They would only sit there if it was a long trip. On the bus most people would talk with their friend because there wasn’t much to do. When we got to Melbourne we stopped at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre, we had a yummy snack in the sun and then went to Polly Woodside. We met our guides, Eric and Ross and watched a short movie about Polly Woodside. We toured Polly Woodside in two groups, my group had to move potatoes into the ship and steer the ship. The ship was amazing!

After lunch we went to the Chinese Museum and learnt about Kung Fu, we learnt how to defend ourselves from strangers criminals and bullies. On the way home we dropped Jingjia off in Warragul before arriving back at the Moe train Station to meet our parents. By Jake Vincent