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**Our School Core Values: RESPECT SELF AWARENESS CREATIVE THINKING GROWTH**

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## From the Principal



As Nelson Mandela said "It always seems impossible until its done." This resonates in these times of uncertainty, it can be really easy to focus in on everything that isn't working and isn't fair. Within our Respectful Relationships work, we really aim to build on our social and emotional learning by looking at, and practicing key personal strengths. Last week, on our school Facebook page we opened a discussion about the personal strength of Gratitude and offered the chance for our school community to share what they are grateful for. Thank you to those families that shared. While we don't expect everyone to share openly, it might be beneficial to share these thoughts at home and spend time together thinking and discussing 'what are we grateful for'. Today on our School Facebook page we are sharing: Determination. Determination reminds us that there are many ways to solve a problem. For some of us, it might be working through a project or finding resourceful ways to use existing materials in a new way.

Remote and Flexible learning is a challenge for everyone. We are constantly working to develop and improve that way that we can most effectively work in this space in partnership with our families. It has been wonderful to listen (on **Seesaw**) to parents and carers supporting their children's learning by asking them how they thought they completed a task using the language of the success criteria. We use learning intentions and success criteria to focus in on what is really important in the task that you are completing now. Reading through the success criteria before, during and after tasks assists students to concentrate on the learning focus for that lesson. *As a student, I know that feedback from my teacher will look at how my completed task against the success criteria.*



Next week we will be holding our **Virtual Student, Parent and Teacher Conference's**. The conferences provide a time where you can catch up with your child's teacher and discuss together with your child, their learning strengths and goals moving forward. It's really important, even in remote learning that we continue to keep a focus on your child's learning and try to maintain as much normality and routine as we can.

There are two ways to book for your Student, Parent and Teacher Conference.

Bookings via Compass have now closed however if you would like to make contact with your child's teacher, please contact the office on 5672 1600.

Don't forget to join us for our Virtual Assembly on Fridays. While we are filming this earlier in the day, it is posted on Facebook in the afternoons (by 3pm).

Have wonderful weekend everyone!

Warm regards,  
**Wendy Bradley**  
Principal



Next Newsletter Friday  
11th September 2020

Any Entry to the  
school is by  
appointment only

**Enrol Now!**

**WE ARE CURRENTLY  
TAKING ENROLMENTS  
FOR 2021 SEE PAGE 3  
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### SEPTEMBER

#### FRIDAY 18TH

- Last day of Term 3. All onsite students to be collected by 2.30pm.

#### FRIDAY 25TH

- Public Holiday During School Holidays - Friday before AFL Grand Final. TBC.

#### MONDAY 31ST—FRIDAY 4TH

- Parent, Student, Teacher Conference via Webex

### OCTOBER

#### MONDAY 5th

- First Day of Term 4.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL AND SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS AUGUST

#### Finance

- Wednesday 2nd September - 4:00pm.

#### Buildings and Grounds

- Wednesday 2nd September - 4:30pm.

#### Policy

- Thursday 3rd September - 4:00pm.

#### Parents & Friends AGM

- Thursday 3rd September 7:00pm

(Please contact the office for

webex details to attend)

#### School Council Meeting

- Tuesday 15th September - 6:30pm.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*Well done!*

### 20th & 27th August 2020

00A	Braxton R. Jensen P.	For working hard this week to revise his tricky words. For persisting with your handwriting and getting involved on Seesaw this week.
00B	Olivia D. Miller P.	For challenging herself to extend her writing pieces past the end of the page! For persevering to show amazing growth in his writing skills!
00C	Kiana F. Hunter P.	For always responding to feedback to uplevel her work. For showing depth in his understanding of text types.
00D	Joshua S. Millicent A.	For listening to feedback from his teacher and then including it in his writing. Being aware that new experiences can be difficult at first.
12A	Luka G. Charlotte G.	For taking pride in his learning and always trying his best. For learning new skills on seesaw by practising and persisting.
12B	Ipshita R. Kyra S.	for beautiful and outstanding work! For Great learning about capacity.
12C	Paislee B. Grade M.	For taking pride in her learning and doing her best. being supportive of others when they are learning.
12D	Lennox J.	For being actively engaged in his learning and challenging himself!
12E	Kaden B. Curtis S.	For his wonderful efforts on Seesaw. for his effort on SeeSaw this week.
34A	Kiyah R. Kayla K.	For showing determination with all activities and being proud of her efforts. For showing a growth mindset in her remote learning challenges.
34B	Louisa B. Jaden V.	For persevering with her home reading and working to complete Remote Learning tasks. Having a go at completing most Remote Learning tasks!
34C	Cain P. Aiden G.	for demonstrating a wonderful new commitment to remote learning. For consistently leaping into the Learning Pit and trying his best.
34D	Lexi R. Kayla H.	For developing her confidence and perseverance with Remote Learning 2.0. for showing a growth mindset in her remote learning challenges.
56A	Olivia R. Issabella G.	For being creative and having a go at rapping a piece of writing from her text. For taking the next step in her learning and responding to feedback in her Seesaw tasks.
56B	Layla O. Zaiden W.	For making a great start to Remote Learning 2.0! For actively engaging in Remote Learning and completing his learning, on Seesaw and Webex.
56C	Alannah A.	For being organised in remote learning.
56D	Josiah B. Jackson T.	For being organised and punctual during Remote Learning 2.0! For making positive contributions to our WebEx meetings.

## READING AWARDS

*Congratulations!*



100 NIGHTS READING CERTIFICATE WINNERS ARE:

<u>FOUNDATION</u>	<u>GRADE 3/4</u>	<u>GRADE 5/6</u>
Evelyn N (00C) Leah O (00A) Oliver R (00B)	Kenzy D (34D)    Aiden G (34C) Ciara P (34C)    Marlon J (34C)	Layla O (56B) Brock H (56B) Maddy M (56C)

200 NIGHTS READING CERTIFICATE WINNERS ARE:

<u>FOUNDATION</u>	<u>GRADE 3/4</u>	<u>GRADE 5/6</u>
Kyra J (00B)        Zavier G (00D) Amelie H (00A)    Daisy M (00C)	Harlow S (34D) Euan H (34C)	Daniel S (56A)

## **WE ARE CURRENTLY TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2021**

**Enrolments for Students in 2021 are well and truly open and we are very excited to already be receiving enrolments for students for the 2021 year.**

Due to the current climate, we are unable to offer traditional enrolment tours.

We have posted a Virtual Tour Video on our Website so that you can enjoy a walk around tour of our school from the comfort of your home. <http://www.wonthaggips.vic.edu.au/images/WPSVirtualTour1.mp4>

If you wish to enrol your child for 2021 simply download the Initial Enrolment Form from our School Website or simply follow this link, complete the form and email or drop this in to the office.

[http://www.wonthaggips.vic.edu.au/documents/Enrolment\\_2021.pdf](http://www.wonthaggips.vic.edu.au/documents/Enrolment_2021.pdf)

Once the Initial Enrolment Form is returned to us we can organise an enrolment pack to be sent to you via email or one can be collected from the Office at your convenience. This pack will include information about our canteen, uniform ordering, a school hand book and a full detailed information form that will need to be completed and returned with a copy of your child's birth and immunisation certificates to finalise your child's enrolment. We will also organise for Wendy Bradley, the Principal, to give you a call to follow up on any questions you may have.

You can contact us via email at

[wonthaggi.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:wonthaggi.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) for an online enrolment pack to be emailed to you.

Don't hesitate to call our friendly office staff on (03) 5672 1600 if you need any assistance.



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## REMOTE PARENT TEACHER STUDENT CONFERENCES TERM 3 2020

Parent Teacher Student Conferences are a way to have an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress so far in 2020.

This round of conferences look a bit different this year. We are offering 10 minute meetings (please note that the meeting is set for 20 minutes to allow for any technical difficulties but the actual time you will talk to your teacher is 10 minutes)

Meetings are offered via WebEx, the same way your teachers communicate with your child through classroom meetings.

As we will be communicating via email and phone, it is important we have your current contact details. You can update your details via your compass parent portal. If you do not have access to compass please contact the school.

Bookings via Compass have now closed however if you have missed out and would still like to make contact with your child's teacher, please contact the office on 5672 1600.

Remember we are here to assist and happy to help guide you through this process - this new for us as well so we'll work through it together.

Georgina Kibble  
Business Manager

## FROM THE ART ROOM



Sharing these beautiful cellophane on glass artworks that were completed by students for this week's Art Activity. If you haven't completed this Activity yet, it's not too late. The sun is pretty good today to get those colours really shining through into your rooms.

Just a reminder that each weeks Art Activity is connected to the Virtual Excursions so if you watch them, you will get some amazing ideas and inspiration. The links to this weeks Virtual Excursion are here if you would like to watch them.

<https://youtu.be/eWRkhKNCdOI>

<https://youtu.be/5zPNCx96bbo>

Keep those beautiful artworks coming



Pirili Chapman  
Art Teacher

## REMOTE SPECIALIST LEARNING

Thank you to families who are actively helping their children cope with the demands of remote learning. It's not easy! Research shows though, that students are more likely to complete their school tasks, where parent involvement occurs. So, be encouraged to join in when you can.

Of course, from a teaching perspective, we have never taught this way either! The small window of time we had back at school together, however, did enable some feedback to occur between staff and students.

Some of the student feedback shared included:

- That the mid-cycle feedback, where a student work example is posted mid-way through the week, aids understanding. Students said they felt more confident to **give the task a go, after seeing someone else's work**
- That students preferred open-ended tasks, where there were several possibilities suggested for completion. In this way, students can respond at their own level of skill/development
- That some of the tasks were too hard or too long
- That some of the tasks were too easy or too short

As you would be aware, all Specialist tasks are posted for completion on Wednesdays, via the Specialist folder. We would encourage you to look together, before working through the tasks. Our main aim is for the students to have a go at their weekly tasks, giving their best as they creatively respond. We hope to help students maintain their skills while learning remotely by providing them with achievable, open-ended activities where they can extend themselves as much as possible. Feel free to get in touch with us, should you need any assistance.

Warm regards,

The Specialist Team

*(Pirili Chapman, Will Rankin, Alanna Besley and Ruth Chambers)*



## Foundation Snippets

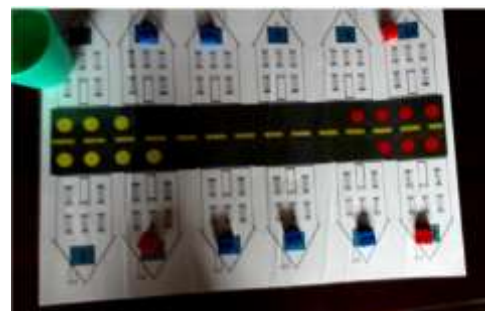
We have listened and acted!

Thank you to all the parents who completed our 'Survey Monkey' regarding thoughts on student engagement in our remote learning activities that we post on Seesaw. Your responses are extremely important to us. In our forward planning of these activities we hope that you will notice the inclusion of your suggestions.

Engagement is always paramount when we are planning lessons, either when teaching from our classrooms or remotely. Best practise tells us that if students enjoy engaging in learning activities, they will learn.

To support us at home, parents/carers can keep the routine around remote learning happening by –

- Following our daily timetable when completing the learning activities.
- Ensuring that you child understands that engaging with remote learning each school day is a 'given' just like coming to school is an expectation.
- Modelling an attitude that learning is fun and exciting – never a 'box to be ticked'!!
- Encouraging your child to work independently when possible. As teachers we value noticing errors in your child's submissions as this allows us to plan more appropriately for their future learning.
- Contacting your child's teacher if you have any queries or concerns relating to your child's learning.



Foundation Teachers

*(Ms Laughlin, Mrs Moldrich, Mrs Savona and Mrs Meade)*

# HELPFUL INFORMATION FROM PARENTZONE GIPPSLAND

## The Best Ways to Promote Language in Toddlers

*Parenting from the heart*

- 1. Narrate their day.**  
Talk endlessly about what you're doing and what they're doing. For example, "Oh you're stacking blocks. Up, up, up. *Crash!*"
- 2. Ask questions and wait for a response.**  
Their response doesn't have to sound like the word. Just wait for an attempt to speak.
- 3. Read, read, read, & read some more.**  
The more we read to children, the more they are exposed to varied and repetitive language.



## PARENTZONE GIPPSLAND TERM 3 PROGRAMS

<p><b>Storytime: Supported Playgroup</b> Join us online to enjoy songs, stories and fun activities each week.</p> <p>Tuesdays 10:30am – 11:30am</p> <p>Wednesdays 12:30pm – 1:30pm</p> <p>Throughout school term Online via Zoom</p>	<p><b>Homework Club:</b> to assist your children with their homework or just have some fun reading and playing games.</p> <p>Tuesdays 4pm – 5:00pm</p> <p>Throughout school term Online via Zoom</p>	<p><b>Breaking The Cycle</b> For parents and carers of adolescents who are violent or abusive in the home</p> <p>Talk to us about joining a program in Term Four</p> <p>Online via Zoom</p>
<p><b>Let's Talk About Parenting</b> Learn strategies, share stories and take some time out for you!</p> <p>Talk to us about joining a program in Term Four</p> <p>Online via Zoom</p>	<p><b>Single sessions</b></p> <p><b>Understanding your child's behaviour:</b> Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 11am – 1pm</p> <p><b>Building self esteem &amp; resilience:</b> Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 1pm – 3pm</p> <p><b>Bullying – helping your child:</b> Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 12noon – 2pm</p> <p><b>Communication:</b> Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September, 10am – 12noon Online via Zoom</p>	

For more information or to register – please contact – ParentZone Gippsland on 5135 9555 or email [Parentzone.Gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:Parentzone.Gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au)

**PARENTZONE**

## 10 Things to Say instead of Stop Crying

1. It's ok to be sad
2. This is really hard for you
3. I'm here with you
4. Tell me about it
5. I hear you
6. That was really scary, sad, etc.
7. I will help you work it out
8. I'm listening
9. I hear that you need space. I'll stay close so you can find me when you're ready.
10. It doesn't feel fair

happymomstherapyblog.com  
The Gentle Lesson

## 6 Tips to Calm Your Toddler

1. Let them explore; it's comforting to them.
2. Limit screens; they are overstimulating.
3. Let them play independently.
4. Have rules; they bring consistency which is comforting.
5. Resist saying no promptly; it confuses and frustrates them.
6. Keep yourself calm.

## TODDLER INDOOR ACTIVITIES

- Use Cookie Cutters with Playdough
- Have Fun with a Tub of Rice
- Use Flashlights in the Dark
- Paint on Newspapers
- Create Something Out of Soft Dough
- Draw on a White Board
- Make Bath Time Glow
- Create an Obstacle Course
- Provide Water for Pouring
- Toss Balloons
- Paint with Q-Tips
- Cut Strips of Paper
- Thread Plastic Straw Pieces
- Paint with Tea Bags
- Color on Junk Mail
- Put Strickers on Paper
- Paint with Watercolors
- Drive Cars Through Shaving Cream
- Stack Blocks
- Wash Plastic Dishes
- Freeze Water and Paint on It

# COMMUNITY NEWS



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**Wonthaggi, Vic 3995**

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**jpmcnamra1@hotmail**

Term 3

**Wonthaggi OSHClub Newsletter**

Before School Care: 7:00am - 8:45 am  
 After School Care: 3:30pm - 6:00pm



**Medicals and Child Safety!!**


Dear Families,

In line with our medication policy and in the best interest of child health and safety all children are required to have relevant medication, such as asthma inhalers & EpiPen's. Children are not allowed to be left under educator care without their required (and in date) medication. As we are a separate entity to the school, they will not be providing medical information/ medication to the service. We are requiring the parents to provide this directly to us.

If you haven't already enrolled, you can register at [www.woshclub.com.au](http://www.woshclub.com.au)

Service Phone Number: 0436 338 582

Coordinator: Gemma Evans  
 Email: [wonthaggi@oshclub.com.au](mailto:wonthaggi@oshclub.com.au)



Reusable masks made to order in a range of colours and fabrics, bright and dark, plain and fancy, boys and girls. All masks are reversible and typically have a pattern on one side and a plain colour on the other side. If you require something very specific contact Olivia and we can discuss your needs. Volume discounts available for business. Cash or Bank Transfer acceptable.

Contact details are [Olivia.Walkley@gmail.com](mailto:Olivia.Walkley@gmail.com) or Olivia Walkley on facebook

Masks are normally \$15 or 3 for \$40 for anyone at or associated with Wonthaggi Primary School.

"Due to the high volume of orders we have received please allow up to a week for your masks to be ready, if you are in a high risk category or work in essential services please let us know and we will endeavour to have your masks ready ASAP"

**SAFETY FIRST**



**PLEASE WEAR MASKS TO HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**