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PRINCIPAL REPORT...

Planning Week:

At various times throughout this week, our teachers have been released from their normal classroom teaching duties for the purposes of curriculum planning and assessment, in readiness for Term 3. Importantly, these planning days occur in teams, ensuring teachers are not working in isolation, they can dissect and interpret the curriculum standards in consultation with one another, collaboratively plan unit outlines and associated assessments, and compare and contrast student learning growth in their grades to ensure they continue to teach at the correct point of need.

At the conclusion of their planning day, this end product ensures a well sequenced and rich learning experience is provided for your child in all areas of learning, aligned to the Victorian Curriculum. Our teachers use consistent and school-agreed term planning documents to complete this process, and for those interested in seeing these scope and sequences, I welcome you to contact me if you would like to know more.

Winter Sports:

Last week, our older students competed in the District Winter Sports event in Glengarry, with teams entered in Mixed Netball, Soccer, and AFL Football. Once again, the positive feedback received from multiple sources regarding the attitude and behaviour of our children was so lovely to hear, and whilst we are a little biased, we believe our students are just the best. Pleasingly, our Soccer and Netball teams have qualified for the next level of competition, scheduled for tomorrow, and we wish them all the very best.

I would like to also take the time to thank our parent volunteers for your assistance with one/both of these events, fitting them in around your own busy schedules to support with umpiring, coaching, team management, and/or other general help. The support we receive from our parent community is invaluable, and for this we thank you.

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2025 Enrolments:

With a number of younger siblings of current students attending the neighbouring Pre-School, please be reminded of the Department of Education timelines for 2025 Prep enrolments, with Friday 26 July the nominated due date for these. I am sure many parents/carers will be feeling like they have only just got into a Pre-School routine and are possibly not yet ready to even think about school enrolment, hence this polite reminder message. Enrolment packages can be collected from the Pre-School, our General Office, or from our website (under the 'Prospective Families' tab). Of course, if you would like to visit our school to discuss enrolment for your child in 2025 in more detail, I would be most willing to support this and I encourage you to reach out to arrange a mutually convenient time to do so.

Take care,

Joel Blythman

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RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Prep/1	Amelia L	For being a persistent and confident learner, always!
1/2	Maya S	For consistently striving to complete her work to the best standard. Thank you for going above and beyond!
2/3	Lily F	For a creative, clever and entertaining Big Write! Well done Lily!
4/5	Levi S	For being a fantastic role model in the younger grades. Well done Levi.
5/6	Beth B	For her persistence in all learning tasks. She was super persistent during winter sports too!
Art	Isabel H	For being such a creative student in Art using her materials wisely.
School Captains	Students who participated in Winter Sports	For showing the RIPPER values even in the cold weather.

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

28 th June	Friday	End of Term 2 – 2:30pm Dismissal
15 th July	Monday	First Day Term 3
25 th July	Thursday	Student Free Day
19 th July	Friday	Years 5&6 Camp Payment & Forms Due
14 th August – 16 th August	Wednesday – Friday	Years 5&6 Camp - Woorabinda

Vote for our school to WIN a \$1000 shopping spree at Mid Valley’s Sculpture Competition!

Visit the sculpture display at Mid Valley Shopping Centre (near Rivers) to vote for your favourite sculpture! On Display: Monday 3rd June to Saturday 13th June.



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midseason entry

It's not too late to join NAB AFL Auskick.
Try it out - 5 weeks and exclusive goodies for \$55!

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Saturday 9am
Duncan Cameron Memorial Reserve



play.afl/auskick

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LATROBE VALLEY EISTEDDFOD *Performing Arts Festival*

19 August - 29 September 2024
GPAC Traralgon & Kernot Hall Morwell

Entries **NOW OPEN**

Instrumental

Speech and Drama

Piano

Brass Solos & Ensembles

Choral & Vocal

Brass Bands

Enter online - www.stardom.com.au

full details of all competitions is on our website:

<https://www.lve.org.au/schedule/>

contact us on (03) 5174 2335

or eist@lve.org.au

Entries Close
30 June

Showcasing and nurturing Gippsland performing arts since 1956

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GPAC HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

The Gippsland Performing Arts Centre (GPAC) have programmed two children's workshops over the Winter School Holidays which are great for all kids, but especially helpful for young children who have anxiety, or need some scaffolding to help express themselves fully. They are also wonderful at helping to develop social skills and cooperation.

Sparrow Eats a Dinosaur (Ages 5 to 8)

Thursday July 4, 10am to 12pm

This is a Shadow Play Workshop, where children get to create stories behind the shadow screen and are also encouraged to tell stories in front of the screen.



Mouse Swallows Elephant (Ages 9 - 12)

Friday July 5, 10am to 12pm

This is a Shadow Play Workshop that also utilises the shadow puppets to build confidence, and focuses on developing 'fine motor skills' through the making (with assistance) of puppets.



Tickets are \$5.00 each. Parents can find further information and can book by visiting the GPAC webpage: <https://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/gpac/home>

or by phoning the Box Office: 03 5176 3333.

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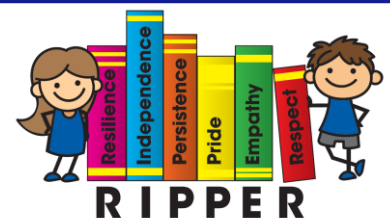
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Be Seen & Heard

Hosted by **Uplift X FOBI** **Thurs, June 27 2024**
3:30pm - 5:30pm

MORWELL LEISURE CENTRE, MORWELL

Calling all young people aged 12-25

Come to a **FREE** afternoon of games, activities, prizes and food. **Have your say** about creating the future of Gippsland and connect with youth services organisations. **No registrations required.** Pop in, bring your mates!



FREE School Holiday Fun!

WEEK ONE

Becky Bubble

Monday 1st to Friday 5th July
Stage Shows at 11am & 1pm daily
Located near Cotton On
Immerse yourself in the incredi-bubble world of bubble magic with Becky Bubble.
NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED. PARENTAL SUPERVISION REQUIRED.
Visit: midvalleyshoppingcentre.com.au/whats-on/

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SHOPPING CENTRE

FREE School Holiday Fun!

WEEK TWO

MAGICAL SCIENCE WORKSHOPS

with **STEM ZONE**

Monday 8th to Friday 12th July
Workshops every 30mins from 11am to 3pm
Located near Rivers

Create potions, conjure up spells, dissect skeletons and more with a different "Witches and Wizards" science activity each day!
Bookings required. Scan the QR code to book or visit midvalleyshoppingcentre.com.au/whats-on

RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 4+. PARENTAL SUPERVISION REQUIRED. MAXIMUM OF 20 CHILDREN EACH SESSION.

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