Principal’s Report -

School Council

The School Council AGM was held on Tuesday night and Bruce Goddard was elected President of Council for 2016 and Jenny Roxburgh was elected Vice President. Congratulations to both Bruce and Jenny. As I have mentioned before we are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and cohesive group of school councillors and we are looking forward to a very successful year. Membership of council is as follows;

Parent Members:  
- David Kelly
- Jen Roxburgh
- Bruce Goddard
- Ian Mahncke
- Cristina Wendt
- Wendy Lynzaat

Community member:  
- Lindsay Kain

DET members:  
- Anne DeManser
- Kath Tanner
- Carmel Burke
- Dot Jenkins

Executive Officer:  
- Graeme Good

Parents’ Association

Last week the Parents’ Association held their AGM and I’d like to congratulate the following members who were elected as office-bearers for 2016.

President:  
- Wendy Lynzaat
Secretary:  
- Liz Mann
Treasurer:  
- Kathryn Schuuring
School Council rep:  
- Lindsay Kain
Meals on Wheels C/O  
- Mirren Munn
Lions Newsletter:  
- Liz Fowler
Student Reports

Hopefully, all families will have received their children’s first reports by now. As I have mentioned, moving to this form of reporting is a big change for students, parents and staff but I am really confident that there will be significant benefits for student learning. The second reporting period has commenced and reports for that period will be distributed on Friday 13 May. In those reports you will be able to compare results for the first two reporting periods and see your child’s progress.

If you haven’t as yet made bookings for the Parent/Student/Teacher interviews you can still do so until 2pm this Friday. We would like to see all our families at the interviews, but if you can’t make it on the 21st March please contact the school so that other arrangements can be made.

School for Student Leadership

This weekend the six students who have been at Snowy River will be returning home and we are all looking forward to hearing about their experiences over the past seven weeks including their plans for implementing their Community Learning Project.

Sporting events

Over the past weeks students from across the school have been involved in a range of sporting events including swimming, athletics and triathlon and it’s been great to see so many students doing their very best either for their houses or for the school. A positive school spirit is a wonderful thing and we often only really take note of it on special occasions when in fact it can be seen in so many ways on a daily basis. It is certainly something we should all value highly as it helps make our school a great school!

Graeme Good

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to all students who have birthdays this week.

MARCH

18th—Olivia Schuuring & Ellyse Parker-Wood
20th—Jack Lehmann
22nd—Callum Repacholi
23rd Jack Fowler & Hunter Lynch

Have you checked out the “Mortlake College P-12” Facebook Page ??

Don’t forget to “Like” us on Facebook and keep up to date on all that is going on at Mortlake College.
Thursday 24th March.

Come dressed in an outfit / theme starting with the first letter of your name.

Gold Coin Donation with proceeds to go towards the Good Friday Appeal for the Royal Children’s Hospital.

Hot Cross Buns will be on sale at recess for 50c

There will be great prizes for the best dressed outfits.

All students who dress up will receive an Easter egg.
Mortlake College Performing Arts Trip

Mortlake College will be attending the performance of Matilda this year.

When: Wednesday Matinee August 24th 2.00pm

Leaving school at 9.00am and home by 7.30pm

Cost: Adults $105   Students $90

(Cost of bus is included- will need money for food, snacks and if they want a program or souvenirs)

50 seats will be available. This excursion is open to all students at the school. Students Grade 5 and below need an accompanying adult.

More information will be available in term 2

Bookings will be taken early in Term 2
During the summer holidays, students from the Corangamite Shire Council took part in the G’day USA program. This program involved spending 3 weeks in the USA.

First we flew to Los Angeles where we completed a range of activities, including visiting Disneyland, Knotts Berry Farm, Universal Studios, Huntington Beach, San Diego and Hollywood.

As part of the trip each student also spent 10 days with an American host family in the suburbs of Phoenix, Arizona. Whilst with our host families, we experienced true American life and attended Gilbert High School for a day, some students even got to travel on a yellow school bus each morning.

The weekends we thoroughly enjoyed spending time with our host families. We all did different things but some of us enjoyed going to the snow, going ice skating or going to the mall. During the week all the Aussies toured around the state visiting places such as the Grand Canyon, Tucson, Sedona, Flagstaff and the Arizona Cardinals Stadium.

The last two nights I spent with the group was in San Francisco where we went on a boat tour to see Alcatraz, boarded the iconic cable cars to see Lombard Street and the houses from the TV show ‘Full House’.

My highlight of San Francisco were walking along the Golden Gate Bridge, the most photographed bridge in the world.

Throughout this once in a lifetime holiday, we made many new and lifelong friends.

Sadly I had to say goodbye to my new friends because I extended my stay over there. I went to stay with another family for 2 more weeks.

I would like to Thank Miss Holland for being our Group Leader on the trip, also EWT for the opportunity.

Tiffany McLauchlan
Hinamatsuri is an annual celebration held in Japan in early March. In the weeks leading up to Hinamatsuri, families display beautiful dolls in their homes for their daughters. These dolls are usually made of porcelain and include the Emperor and the Empress. In Japanese, the P-4 students have been learning about this special celebration and making their own Emperor or Empress dolls. Japanese writing is called ‘hiragana’ and the students have also been leaning how to write “Hinamatsuri” in hiragana.
P-12 Sport Dates Term 1 & 2

**March**
- 18th March: 3-6 Regional Swimming
- 23rd March: 7-12 GWR Swimming—Ballarat
- 23rd March: 3-6 District Athletics

**April**
- 19th April: State Swimming (Years 7-12) Melbourne
- 29th April: MWD Athletics Brauer (Years 7-12)

**May**
- 4th May: House Cross Country (Years 3-12) 2.15—3.20pm
- 18th May: MWD Cross Country (Years 7-12) Derrinallum

**June**
- 6th June: GWR Cross Country (Secondary) Warrnambool
- 22nd June: Junior Football / Netball (Years 7-9) Mortlake

**STATE NOMINATIONS / REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS / RESULTS**
Information regarding state nominations and other sports can be found on the School Sport Victoria website. [www.ssv.vic.edu.au](http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au)

**CONNECT**

Parents and students can connect to School sports Victoria via Facebook and Twitter. Just follow the following links

- [https://twitter.com/@SchoolSportVic](https://twitter.com/@SchoolSportVic)

**Nathan Jones**

*Year 7-12 Sports Coordinator*

[jones.nathan.t@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:jones.nathan.t@edumail.vic.gov.au)
P-2 FUN DAY ATHLETICS
3-6 Athletics
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JACKET ORDERS ARE STILL BEING TAKEN UNTILL THEN END OF TERM WITH THEIR ANTICIPATED RETURN WEEK 3 TERM 2
Sweet Potato and Oat Muffins

with Caramel Cream Cheese Icing

These sweet potato and oat muffins are deliciously moist and super easy to make, and the fact that vegetables have been added is simply a bonus. I have used brown sugar but you could use a healthier alternative if you wish. They are made quickly with the help of a food processor.

For the sweet potato I simply cooked it in the microwave in a bowl of water for 15 minutes the night before while I was cleaning up ready to make in the morning.

Perfect for the lunchbox and after school.

INGREDIENTS

1 Cup Mashed Sweet Potato 1 Cup Milk
1 Egg 100ml Light Olive Oil
3/4 Cup Self Raising Flour 3/4 Cup Wholemeal Self Raising Flour
1/2 Cup Quick Oats 1/2 Cup Brown Sugar
1 Tsp Ground Cinnamon

Icing

1/4 Cup Cream Cheese 3 Tbs Brown Sugar

LETS PUT IT ALL TOGETHER

1. Place all the ingredients into the bowl of a food processor and process until combined. Pour into a 12 hole muffin tray lined with muffin cases. Place into a preheated 180 degree Celsius oven for 15-20 minutes or until they bounce back when touched.

Allow to cool completely before icing.

To make icing: Simply mix the cream cheese and brown sugar together and spoon on to the cooled muffins.

Makes 12

Store in the fridge in an air tight container for up to 7 days.

Freezer friendly: place muffins on a tray, once frozen transfer to ziploc bags and freeze for up to 3 months.
Wellbeing

BULLYING. NO WAY!
SAFE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS
TAKE A STAND TOGETHER.

Our school community is proud to take a stand against bullying and violence.

Friday 18 March 2016
www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
Coloring completion, PRIZES TO BE WON!

The National bullying NO WAY Day is coming up on the 18\textsuperscript{th} of March and we will be running a coloring completion, so have fun! Get creative and let’s stand together against bullying in our school and make our school safe.

Please collect the coloring sheets from the desk where you fill out your lunch orders.
Need some support to get your learners? Living in the City of Warrnambool or Moyne Shire?

FREE 4 day program which includes the cost of your learners test.

Then Changing Gears is for YOU!

PROGRAM:
Monday 20 June- Wednesday 22 June-
Assisted study and activities to help you prepare to take your learners including: Interactive activities & games,
Pre - accredited training
Thursday 23 June-
Take the test (cost is included in the program)

A referral form MUST be completed to enrol in the program.
For blank referral forms please see the General Office

When: Monday 20 June-Thursday 23 June
Where: Brophy (Timor St)
Bookings Essential, Limited Spaces
CLOSES JUNE 2
Trudy Morland: 55601195
John Keats: 55601133
Nicole Wood: nwood@warrnambool.vic.gov.au
Premier’s Active April encourages Victorians to participate in 30 minutes of physical activity a day during April.

Establishing the importance of physical activity during childhood can help ensure lifelong participation with resulting health, social, economic and environmental benefits for individuals and communities.

Families that register with Premier’s Active April will be supported with healthy eating and physical activity tips and incentives.

Every participant will also receive:
- 10 free YMCA passes or access to a local government facility
- 15% off at Sportsmart in store and online
- one free hour tennis court hire at Melbourne Park or Albert Reserve
- one free Get Into Cardio Tennis session
- a 2 for 1 ticket offer to SEA LIFE Melbourne Aquarium
- entry into the draw to win tickets to the 2017 Australian Tennis Open Finals*

You can help support your child by joining in Active April and being active as a family after school and on weekends.

Go to activeapril.vic.gov.au to register today.

Active Children. Active Families.

Terms and conditions for all prizes and offers apply. Visit activeapril.vic.gov.au for details.

*Winner receives two tickets to each of the 2017 men’s and women’s finals.
Physical activity during childhood can help with:
- Developing a healthier heart and lungs
- Building stronger bones and muscles
- Improving motor skills
- Improving self-esteem
- Reducing stress and anxiety
- Improving school performance
- Improving concentration

The National Physical Activity and Sedentary Behaviour Guidelines give the following recommendations for children (5-12 years) and young people (13-17 years):

For health benefits:
- Accumulate at least 60 minutes (and up to several hours) of moderate to vigorous intensity physical activity every day.

To reduce health risks:
- Limit use of electronic media for entertainment (e.g., television, seated electronic games and computer use) to no more than two hours a day.
- Break up long periods of sitting as often as possible.

What can you do to help?
- Be active with your children
- Turn off the TV and computer or limit the time allowed and substitute with a fun activity
- Plan some activities with your children – let them choose
- Find out what the school is doing – ask if they are keeping track of the activity time

Things to consider when being active:
- Be sunsmart when outdoors
- Keep hydrated
- Wear comfortable shoes and clothing
- Know your children’s limits

Suggested activities you can do as a family:
- Walk to school
- Walk the dog
- Bike riding
- Explore where you live – walk a different route
- Do the family chores together – shopping, washing the car
- Set up a backyard obstacle course
- Get some chalk and make a downball or hopscotch court on your driveway
- Play a game of backyard cricket
- Backyard lawn bowls with the balls you have
- Kick-to-kick with the footy or soccer ball
- Wall tennis
- Backyard volleyball with a balloon or keep the balloon up
- Frisbee
- Rebound – throwing the ball against the wall
- Jump rope
- Hula hoop competition
- Hide and seek
- Throw and catch – and take step back when successful
- Head to the local playground
- Fly a kite
- Stand, stretch and walk around during every ad break on TV
- Three-legged races
- Sack races
- Roll a dice and the winning number selects the activity

NOTE: Premier’s Active April is a great way to contribute to the recommended daily total of activity.
PARENT AND STUDENT TERTIARY INFORMATION EVENING

The tertiary sector have come together in offering parents and students a great opportunity to speak with a number of universities, TAFE’s and independent tertiary colleges all in the one place.

Parents and VCE students are invited to join us on the night to discover more about:
- courses, VCE prerequisites and extra requirements
- the VTAC application process and key dates
- the cost of further study, financial assistance and scholarships
- how to make a successful transition to university life.

WHO: For parents and students (Years 10 – 12)
WHEN: Wednesday 20 April, 6:00pm – 7:00pm
WHERE: Deakin University, Princes Hwy, Warrnambool

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES: 5563 3444
**Les Miserables** Rehearsal Schedule

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**HOLIDAYS**

| **Wednesday April 13th BER 3.30-6.30pm (Years 5-7 to 5.30pm)** | TRACK 19 ... THE BARRICADE ... STUDENT REVOLUTIONARIES: Enjolras, Marius, Eponine, Javert, Valjean ... CHORUS<br>... ON MY OWN ... Eponine<br>TRACK 20 ... THE ATTACK ... STUDENT REVOLUTIONARIES<br>... A LITTLE FALL OF RAIN ... Eponine, Marius<br>TRACK 21 ... THE FIRST ATTACK ... STUDENT REVOLUTIONARIES<br>... DRINK WITH ME ... STUDENT REVOLUTIONARIES<br>... BRING HIM HOME ... Valjean<br>TRACK 23 ... THE SECOND ATTACK ... STUDENT REVOLUTIONARIES<br>TRACK 24 ... THE FINAL BATTLE ... STUDENT REVOLUTIONARIES |
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GET ON YOUR BIKE TO WIN WITH NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY!

For our second School PLUS Challenge, Premier’s Active April is teaming up again with Bicycle Network to support National Ride2School Day, giving your school the chance to WIN some awesome prizes!

WIN
A fleet of 20 bicycles and helmets and a $500 Sportsmart voucher!

SCHOOL
+ PLUS
CHALLENGE

How your school can win fantastic prizes

The school that participates in National Ride2School Day AND has the most students and teachers registered for Premier’s Active April by midnight Friday, 4 March will win:

- a fleet of 20 bicycles and helmets, and
- a $500 Sportsmart voucher!

^Schools must submit their Ride2School Day HandsUp! count by midnight, Friday, 1 April 2016 to be eligible for the prize.

Register online at National Ride 2 School Day
Team Name: Mortlake-p12. if you have any problems, please see Mr Boyden
School Holiday Swimming Lessons 5 day Intensive 2016

Now offered at 3 venues! Monday April 4th to Friday April 8th

4 years and up-all abilities $75/child/5 day program


Or email info@splashfactory.com.au

RCH Good Friday Appeal
March 25th 2016

This will be the 85th year of the RCH Good Friday Appeal.

Volunteers will again be collecting donations towards Mortlake’s effort for this years appeal. Anyone interested in volunteering to be a collector can register with Wendy McKenzie on 0419576309 or ANZ Mortlake. All collectors are given an identification card with their collectors tin.

This year we plan to collect donations the week leading up to the appeal to ensure we cover the whole town. If you would like to make your donation before then please call in to ANZ Mortlake.

Let’s all get behind this years Appeal &

Give that they may grow
LADIES NIGHT NETBALL
COMMENCING SECOND TERM

If any girls about the age of 13 and over would like to play Ladies Night Netball on a Wednesday night, please put your name on the list below. Alternatively you can ring Judi on 5599 2626 or Margy on 5599 2584. We will be putting the teams together soon so we can start in second term, so it would be appreciated if you could put your name down by

Thursday, 31st March 2016

Depending on how many teams we can get together, the first game will commence at approximately 6:30pm – 6:45pm and the last game should finish between 8:30 – 8:45pm. The pennant will run for 10 – 12 weeks, with no play during school holidays. Fees are $7.00 per match and Netball Victoria membership is $69 adult and $49 junior 11-17 years (born between 1/1/1999 – 31/12/2015).

MIXED VOLLEYBALL
STARTING SOON

If adults and students (about the age of 14 and over) would like to play Mixed Volleyball on a Sunday night, please put your name on the list below. Alternatively you can ring Judi on 5599 2626 or Dean on 5599 2766 (business hours) by Tuesday, 31st March 2015. To be eligible you need to know the basics of volleyball, ie. to be able to serve from the back line of the volleyball court and to dig and spike without the ball bouncing first.

The first match starts at 6:00pm and the last game should finish about 8:00pm. The pennant will run from approx. May - July, with no play during school holidays. Fees are $7.00 per person per game with an annual registration fee of $30.00 (for 2 pennants in 2016).
The Wizardry of Water Education
Teacher Resource
TERM 1, 2016

WELCOME
Welcome to the Term 1 edition of The Wizardry of Water Education for 2016.

Remember to order your 600ml water bottles for the 2016 Foundation students before the end of Term 1.

Find out more about Kids Teaching Kids events throughout the Wannon Water region and express your interest in being part of these exciting events.

Looking for a sustainability project? You might like to consider being part of the ‘Caring for Our Watersheds’ competition.

Check out the various resources or book a school incursion to enhance your students’ educational experience about water.

FREE 600ML WATER BOTTLES
Encourage your new Foundation students to keep hydrated at school by providing them with a FREE 600ml water bottle.

The water bottle program is open to Foundation students commencing school in 2016.

If your school would like to place an order for their Foundation students, complete the online application at www.wannonwater.com.au

Water bottles will need to be collected from your nearest Wannon Water office before the end of Term 1, 2016.

KIDS TEACHING KIDS 2016
After successful Kids Teaching Kids events in 2015, Wannon Water is seeking expressions of interest from schools interested in being part of a 2016 Kids Teaching Kids event. The events plan to run in early September for children in years 3-9.

Schools are encouraged to present a sustainability topic relating to:
- Water
- Waste
- Energy
- Biodiversity

Currently there are host schools in Portland and Coleraine. If you are interested in hosting an event, presenting a workshop or participating on the day, please complete the attached form.

For more information visit www.kidsteachingkids.com.au or contact catherine.grist@wannonwater.com.au

CARING FOR OUR WATERSHEDS

students answer the question:
“What can you do to improve your catchment?”

$17,000 in Prizes

Deadline: Friday, September 16, 2016
Contact Kim Volk on 417 742 311 or kvolk@ecr.org.au for details.
Competition open to Wannon and Glenelg Hopkins students, in years 6-11

Conservation Volunteers
LANDMARK
WATER IT, GROW IT, COOK IT COMPETITION

The 2016 Water it, Grow it, Cook it competition is commencing soon to capitalise on autumn vegetables, herbs and fruits.

The competition is being launched in March and will close 21 June 2016.

So get those gardens growing and ideas flowing to create some delicious dishes with your produce.

There will be great prizes up for grabs again this year. An information pack will be sent out soon. For more information, or to enter, visit Water it, Grow it, Cook it at www.wannonwater.com.au/education.

Proudly supported by:

2016 CALENDAR

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RESOURCES - GROUNDWATER EDUCATION

Do you want to find out more about groundwater as part of your water education?

Check out the links below for more information and activities:

- Water Sources - The Dilwyn Aquifer - www.wannonwater.com.au/education (Fact Sheets)
- Making a groundwater model - www.scootle.edu.au (MO13162)
- Wet Rocks - linked to the Australian Curriculum (Geography & Science) www.wetrocks.com.au

INCURSIONS & TOURS

Wannon Water offers a range of programs, free of charge, throughout the school year such as tours, fact sheets, fun activities and school incursions (see below).

**Years 1-2**
- Water Sources
  - Tapping into water
  - Living things have basic needs, including food & water (ACSSU002)

**Years F-2**
- Catchment Health
  - Think before you sink
  - Explore and make observations by using the senses (ACSI01)

**Years 3-6**
- Water Cycle
  - The water cycle game
  - Earth’s surface changes over time as a result of natural processes and human activity (ACSSU075)

**Year 7**
- Water Treatment
  - Water - catchment to tap
  - Water is an important resource that cycles through the environment (ACSSU096; Science)

For more information, visit www.wannonwater.com.au/education or contact catherine.grist@wannonwater.com.au

Teacher Resource

email wizards@wannonwater.com.au website www.wannonwater.com.au
Mortlake NetSetGO 2016!

To all students 5-10 years of age who are interested in participating this year could you please fill out and return your registration forms to your school office by NO later than Thursday the 23rd of March.

Please place your $60 for your Netball membership & participant pack in an envelope upon return. Please note if we do not receive your registration forms and money by Thursday the 23rd of March you will NOT be able to receive your participant package, so please do so early if you wish to receive one.

We will commence on Wednesday the 13th of April at 4pm-5pm at the Mortlake D.C. Farren Oval netball courts. This will run every Wednesday for the 11 weeks of term 2.

We are very grateful this year to have Dot Jenkins on board again with us. Her many years of experience on the Netball court alongside with her dedication to helping our kids, expanding their knowledge and skills is highly valued.

We think it is a fantastic experience for all.

We are excited to be taking over this role from Jenny Goddard this year. As we would like to continue this great opportunity for the kids in our community.

Between the both of us it looks like we will be at the netball courts for many years.

We look forward meeting many new and familiar faces on the courts next term.

Not only for skills and knowledge hopefully some fun too.

If you have any questions regarding anything please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Brianna Barr- 0408329530

Jenna Wardlaw- 0403700040

Thankyou Bri & Jen
# DEVELOPING CAREERS

**SAVING LIVES**

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**BECOME AN AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF SWIMMING AND WATER SAFETY™**

AUSTSWIM Teachers are in high demand. Develop essential knowledge, skill and understanding to teach vital swimming and water safety education.

## COURSE INFO

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**VENUE:** Hamilton Indoor Leisure & Aquatic Centre - 83-93 Shakespeare St Hamilton

For more information please contact:

**PHONE** 1300 885 066  
**EMAIL** vio@austswim.com.au

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**ENROL TODAY AT AUSTSWIM.COM.AU**
FREEZA
Autumn Eruption

Get down to the Terang pool on Friday the 18th of March to be a part of the Corangamite Shire's Freeza event.

6:30pm - 9:30pm
Friday 18th March 2016
Terang Swimming Pool

Ages 12 – 18yrs
Entry $5
No pass outs

Fully supervised
Smoke Drug & Alcohol Free Event

Fundraiser for our defibrillator

[Branding Logos]
CORANGAMITE SHIRE YOUTH COUNCIL

RAINBOW RUN

APRIL 1ST 2016
3.00PM TO 8.00PM
EMU CREEK PONY CLUB, TERANG
Cnr Strong and Escourt Streets

FUN • LIVE MUSIC • BBQ

To register: www.trybooking.com/181889
or visit Shire Offices

Individual: $5 ($10 with t-shirt)
Family: $10 ($25 with t-shirt)

This event is drug, alcohol and smoke free

More info: Shire 5593 1700, Verity 0400 380 402

One & All Inclusive event
School procedures for the bushfire season

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life.

Schools and children’s services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district. Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.

Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days notice of a potential Code Red day closure by letter [and SMS message/phone tree]. A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00 pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

- No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day.
- Out-of-school-hours care will also be cancelled on these days.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.
- As a bus co-ordinating school all bus routes will be cancelled.

Depending on which Bureau of Meteorology district is impacted bus route cancellations may affect our school.

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – on such days children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the CFA advise that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day.

As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan, [reprioritised any maintenance works that may assist in preparing for the threat of fire and cleared our facility’s grounds and gutters]

What can parents do?

- Make sure your family’s bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.
- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, [by checking our website [insert URL] and by talking to your child’s teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.

Most importantly at this time of year, if you’re planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.

If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family’s bushfire survival plan.


For up-to-date information on this year’s fire season, visit the CFA website at www.cfa.vic.gov.au or call the 24-hour Victorian Bushfires Information Line on 1800 240 667.
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**Don’t FORGET!**