

NUMBER 18

10<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

**VISION** To provide a positive school environment that allows every individual the opportunity to flourish.

### REMINDERS FOR WEEK EIGHT: TERM TWO 2021



Friday June 11 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report Writing Day – Pupil free day</li> </ul>
Monday June 14 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Queen's Birthday Holiday</li> </ul>
Tuesday June 15 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Wednesday June 16 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ??? Winter Series (Gr 5/6)</li> </ul>
Thursday June 17 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Friday June 18 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PJ Day</li> <li>• Flourishing Friday 2:30pm</li> </ul>

### PREP 2022

School Tours are currently on hold with our new Covid situation but we are still taking enrolments. If you require an enrolment pack for a sibling, or if any family or friends would like a tour of our wonderful school, please have them contact the office.

All schools in the Portland and District area encourage students to go to their local school. Your local school can be found by visiting <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au>

### NEW SHIPMENT OF BEANIES HAS ARRIVED –

The cold weather has arrived!

Time for a Bolwarra beanie?

\$15, see Nicole in the office.



### GLENELG SHIRE COLORING COMPETITION

Congratulations go to Fletcher Hodgins, Tayli Wilson, Melanie Price and Lou Impey for winning \$50 gift vouchers from Sports Power for their winning entries into the 'Bushfire Colouring Competition'. The school also received a \$240 voucher for participating.

Below are Lou (left) and Melanie's entries which were their interpretation of Troy Lovett's "Koondoom Tarkeen Lake Dreaming" image.



**REPORT WRITING DAY TOMORROW – FRIDAY JUNE 11<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day**

## CURRENT RESTRICTIONS

Current restrictions include that only essential visitors are allowed into school. Please contact the office if you believe it is essential for you to enter the grounds. If this is the case you will need to check in using the QR code.

- Unfortunately our parent community gatherings have been postponed until restrictions are lifted

## WINTER SERIES - Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup> (hopefully)

All Grade 5/6 students will be involved in the Winter Series playing either football, netball or soccer. We are combining with Narrawong and Dartmoor to form teams to play against the other local schools. Students will receive a note about their particular sport today

## P.J. DAY – Friday June 18<sup>th</sup>

On this day we encourage our students to come dressed in their pyjamas. They will need to bring a gold coin donation, this will go towards Arlee's big chop for Cancer Council Victoria.

## EXTRA-CURRICULA TERM 2 DATES

June	Friday	11 <sup>th</sup>	-	Report Writing – Day. Student free day
	Monday	14 <sup>th</sup>	-	Queen's Birthday Holiday
	Friday	18 <sup>th</sup>	-	P.J. Day
	Friday	25 <sup>th</sup>	-	Last Day of Term 2

LEE GIBBONS.....PRINCIPAL

## 2021 PUPIL FREE DAYS

Friday June 11<sup>th</sup>

Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup>

One more day still to be decided

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Jett Treloar who turns 6 on Monday, and Ava Jacobson who turns 10 on Monday.

## STATEMENTS

Attached to today's newsletter are current statements. Please see Nicole for any queries.

Payments can be made via Bpay, Direct Deposit- please remember to include your name and to where the funds are to be allocated ie: school fees, ipad lease etc.) or payment by cash or cheque to the office. Please note we do not have eftpos at school.

## FIREWOOD RAFFLE

Ewan Thomas (Yarinda's dad) has donated 2 Meters of Split Firewood to the school for a fundraiser.

Attached to today's newsletter is a book of raffle tickets - \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Return all tickets, together with money, to school by Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June and the draw will take place at assembly on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> June. The wood will be **delivered** to the winner.

## FRIDAY LUNCHES

We are able to run lunches next Friday as it is pizza which will be delivered, eliminating parent involvement on the school premises. We are hopeful that we can run lunches next term with the following pencilled in.

Friday	23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Dim Sims	2 Helpers	Kylie Stirling (another needed please)
Thursday	30 <sup>th</sup> July	Fried Rice	2 Helpers	Adele Curran and Sarah Rethus
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup> August	<i>any suggestions?</i>		
Friday	13 <sup>th</sup> August	Chicken & Pumpkin Risotto	<i>no helpers needed</i>	
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup> August	<i>any suggestions welcome?</i>		
Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup> September	<i>any suggestions welcome?</i>		
Friday	10 <sup>th</sup> September	<i>any suggestions welcome?</i>		

## Chaplains' Corner – This one hunts for all of us

There's one tough customer that comes hunting for all of us. Thankfully most of us recognise it early and exercise effective control. But not all of us. So, who or what is this tough one? It goes by various names but we all pick it right away. Call it a short fuse, or bad temper, or anger or even rage. And, whatever we do call it, it has one long term aim: it wants to take up residence in our lives. And if we allow that, family harmony and co-operation depart our homes very quickly.

All of us are very familiar with life's endless collection of frustrations and annoyances. Most come and go. We find the missing remote control, or the car keys, or we finally clear the mess out of the lounge room so we can sit down for a change. The blood pressure goes up a tad when the kids have another argument. Stress arrives when the bills fall due and we're anxious about our finances. But anger is a different sort of character. Consider....

- **We all have to cope with setbacks** – It's part of living in an imperfect world. No matter how well we plan, there's always a good chance that we'll have to flex or even put our good ideas on hold. On any given day, we will have to create work arounds just to make sure things happen as they should.
- **Our setbacks hunt in packs** – This is when the pressure builds up inside us. Suddenly we're juggling more than we wish for. We have to choose to say cool, take a step back and work out what needs our attention here and now. A level head is pretty good at making these calls successfully.
- **We lose the plot when we lose our cool** – This is when our tough customer moves in. Instead of dealing with the presenting issue, our focus shifts to the people we consider responsible for our stress. Anger takes up residence. Unable to be calm, we let fly with hurtful words and actions.
- **Oddly, anger is actually a comfortable companion** – But for all the wrong reasons. As long as we blame others for our current distress, we don't have to face up to our shortcomings, or our role in what has gone wrong. Nor do we have to wrestle with effective solutions or find ways forward.
- **So, anger is a convenience** – It gives us the right to throw our weight around. The demand to do things "my way" is a power game. The possibility of there being other and better ways of addressing a specific issue doesn't get any consideration. Anger is great at blinding us to the obvious.
- **Anger destroys us** – It's much more than having a chip on our shoulder. Anger is a consuming force denying us the desire and the ability to think clearly and kindly. Our blood pressure zooms up to the point where others tread carefully when around us. And we often are completely blind to this.
- **And anger destroys our relationships** – Who wants to spend time with a person who goes regularly off the deep end? How can a family function with even a shred of peace when the anger of one becomes the ingrained fear of the rest? It is a completely unhappy, unworkable situation.
- **It takes courage, maturity and discipline to keep anger in its place** – And this is why some people stay angry. They lack all three of these very powerful tools. Emotionally it is as if they have never grown up, always wanting the ball to bounce their way while being totally unaware of others' needs.

Oh, and there's one more hurdle. Pride. It's hard to accept that maybe I'm the one who's created this mess. That I have to apologise. That I have to back down and accept that my words and actions have been unacceptable. That I have to be the peacemaker now. That I will rewrite the family story. Just do it.

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## Glenelg Shire Council Children's Services 2022 Kindergarten Enrolments Monday 12 July - Sunday 1 August

Visit our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/Glenelgshirechildrensservices> to keep up to date with all our enrolment news

Contact us by phoning 1300 453 635 or by emailing [enrolment@glenelg.vic.gov.au](mailto:enrolment@glenelg.vic.gov.au)

