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COASTHILL NEWS

The Inverloch/Kongwak Primary School Bulletin

We Give Our Best To Be Our Best



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Our Vision: To enable all students to achieve their full potential and to develop into confident, well-rounded citizens.

Flexible and Remote Learning Supervision Times: 8:30 Foyer 8:45 Yard Supervision 3:30-3:45pm Afternoon Yard Duty

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Who would have thought we'd be here again ...FARL 2.0 (Sorry for the use of the acronym FARL but Flexible and Remote Learning takes such a long time to type and FARL will be referred for at least the next 5 weeks.)

This is not where we would hope we would be ...Term 3 was well underway with great learning, great directions and a tipping point for greatness in so many areas. The staff were invigorated and re energised for a great term with their students and their colleagues, additional support programs started and so many other projects.

So after some 'grrrr' and some deep breaths, revisiting the big picture that this about a health epidemic, we have swung into action to meet this challenge again and reflect on how we can do so better. Thanks to parents who fed back to us and we have, and will continue to implement, changes that were common and doable.

However we have not abandoned our great plans, just parked them for a while!

I would to thank the staff who so quickly rose to the occasion and planned this week's 'settling back to home learning' program, distributed resources, redesigned the FARL website, reactivated SeeSaw accounts, assembled websites and individual passwords and so much more in a very tight timeline.

Thanks to the admin staff who have had to resurrect the processes and resources to support students and families through FARL

Finally I would like to thank the staff who are willing and able to **volunteer** for onsite supervision. All staff should be working safely from home as the state government requires but we are obligated to staff onsite supervision. We are currently running on skeleton staff to meet this requirement. Please note this is **not an option for most families** due to the eligibility criteria- it's to ensure certain children can be supervised.

COMMUNICATIONS

Please refer to communications sent directly from the school via email or Compass. There has been some misleading and misinformation on social media causing confusion. If you have any queries, contact the office between 8:30am-4:00pm.

If you need to make contact with your class teacher please email the school and the email will be promptly directed to the teacher concerned. Teachers will respond with a phone call as soon as practicable possible. Please understand teachers are undertaking a variety of tasks, projects, professional learning and meetings as part of their remote working day. However they will respond ASAP.

The Chat Feature will be available on the FARL website.

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ZOOM in your favourite team colours next Friday 14th August

 Dismissal time is currently 3:30pm

RECEPTION TIMES
The foyer will be open at the following times:
Monday
• Until 12 noon, 3pm-4pm
Tues, Wed, Thurs
• Until 9:30am, 3pm-4pm
Friday
• Until 9:30am, 12nn-4pm
Reception will operate normally from 8:30-4:00

You can't change the wind, but you can adjust the sails.



Dear Inverloch Primary School community,



Here we are again, commencing another stint of remote learning. I am sure that each of you have gone through many emotions over the past few days. Being apart again is tough, but we need to keep in mind the end goal - to keep ourselves, our loved ones and our community healthy and well.

I am so proud of our school community. School staff, students and parents have had to adapt to this new world so quickly, and it doesn't feel like we've skipped a beat - we keep growing and evolving.

I keep hearing the quote 'We're all in the same storm but in different boats' in relation to the pandemic. Well if we are in a storm, then our community will 'ride the waves of success' by using our skills in **Confidence, Persistence, Organisation, Resilience, and Getting Along**. We can do hard things, and we can do them with kindness. Kindness is crucial right now, and I hope that we all can practice kindness to ourselves and others over the next few weeks.

Pulling up to school on the first day back after the first lockdown, and seeing all of our wonderful teachers out the front looking just as excited (if not more excited!) as the students made me so proud to be a part of this school community. I can't wait for that day to come again in the near future when we can all be reunited and celebrate our achievements in lockdown 2.0.

Take care,

Leah Bellairs

Inverloch PS School Council President

Hello to our Kongwak families,

As we move back to remote and flexible learning for the safety and wellbeing of our community remember we've done it before and can and will get through this again, "we've got this".



Remember back to our first chapter of remote learning the challenges we faced of supporting our children, lifestyles changed, new home timetables set, the introduction of Zoom and Seesaw. The first time they learnt from the comfort of our homes be it in the lounge/dining table or home office. We did it and the children came out the other side as did we. The enthusiasm from teachers (who could forget the video of the teachers participating in the cross country demonstration!) and willingness to embrace the task at hand and provide the children with the best education remote learning could offer. The reading of stories (Junior class) from our teachers and specialists teachers providing video links with explanations. The support of seeing these teachers made it real to the children that school was still in attendance even if it looks a little different from home.

Lets support one another again with positiveness and strength whether it be a quick message or a call to each other as parents/carers to "check in". Zoom, Seesaw, Compass, Home learning website if it all gets too much shout out to someone, there is always someone to offer a hand or in the same boat of confusion at times. Let our children connect with classmates during this next period of lockdown, whether it be letter writing, mailbox drops, calls, messages or FaceTime.

The school model surfboards will come into play at home of building resilience in our children during this pandemic, getting along, organisation, persistence and confidence. So good luck to all as we head off on this next chapter of remote learning and challenging times.

Stay safe.

Belinda Jeffries

Kongwak PS School Council President

FAREWELL AND WELCOME

We wish Kristen Eddy a fond farewell and gratitude for her teaching and care of 1E, and all the best for the future.

Miss Elly Brusamarello will be teaching 1E next term and looks forward to meeting the class on ZOOM and in person soon.

LEARNING PLANS

The Learning Plans have been adjusted according to feedback and the Department time allotments informed by parent surveys.

The Learning Plans allow for both structure and flexibility.

Families can follow the times or mix and match the blocks.

The afternoon specialist and Wellbeing Wednesday sessions are

optional. However the specialist are planning great whole family activities.

Families can choose if they engage with these tasks .

The Learning Plans will evolve as we travel through FARL 2.0 with feedback, lessons and other features introduced gradually to support families as they adopt home learning again.

ONSITE SUPERVISION

Students who don't access onsite supervision on a regular basis need to be organised and bring any ongoing work to school. Year 3-6 students will need to bring their laptops.

WORK PACKS

Work packs will be sent as a pdf to all families and hard copies will be available in the foyer from 12:00nn. Friday. There will be greater use of books and lined paper this time around. We have ordered a FARL workbook for every child. These will be available from the foyer shortly.

Printing

Please be aware that not all of the pack needs printing, some are just for reference or viewing. Next week we will be producing two pdfs– printing and viewing

TECHNOLOGY

The Flexible and Remote Learning will begin to use technology next week. If you have technology issues such as internet access or devices, please email the school with Technology in the subject line . SeeSaw will be the main Learning Platform for Prep-Year6. (We were transitioning to google classrooms but timing got us.)

OSHClub

OSHClub Before and After School Care is available to **eligible** Onsite Supervision students.

Do you need a couple of child free hours in the afternoon? The Afterschool service is also available for other students from 3:30 onwards. Details can be found [here](#) or on our website.

4. Home and on-site learning programs

- a. The learning program delivered on-site will be the same as the learning program delivered to students undertaking remote learning.
- b. The following are the daily minimum guidelines schools are expected to meet for students in Prep to 10:
 - For students in Prep to Grade 2, schools will provide learning programs that include the following:
 - literacy activities that take a total of about 45-60 minutes
 - numeracy activities of about 30-45 minutes
 - additional learning areas, play-based learning and physical activity of about 30-45 minutes.
 - For students in Grades 3 to 6 and Years 7 to 10, schools will provide learning programs allocated as follows:
 - Literacy: 45-60 minutes
 - Numeracy: 30-45 minutes
 - Physical activities: 30 minutes
 - Additional curriculum areas: 90 minutes



COMMUNITY NEWS

The following Community News articles promote community connections and communications. They are not considered school activities

WEST GIPPSLAND LIBRARIES

Write Now!

Stories from young people
in West Gippsland.



**A youth writing competition to amplify the voices
of our talented local young people.**

These certainly are uncertain times! We'd love to hear your thoughts, feelings and ideas about our changing world in our writing competition: Write Now!

Write a story about how the world has changed over the last few months, or a personal reflection of your experience living through the isolation period. Your entry can be fiction or non fiction, it can even be poetry or prose! We would love to hear from you!

Submit your entry to youngwritersWGL@gmail.com

Entries close 09.08.2020. For terms and conditions, visit wgrlc.vic.gov.au

Theme - My Changing World

Age 5-8	Up to 300 Words	\$30 VISA e-card prize
Age 9-12	Up to 500 Words	\$50 VISA e-card prize
Age 13-17	Up to 750 Words	\$100 VISA e-card prize
Age 18-25	Up to 1000 Words	\$150 VISA e-card prize

WEST GIPPSLAND LIBRARIES

Theme - My Changing World

- All entries must be written by an author who lives, studies or works in Bass Coast, Baw Baw or South Gippsland Shires who will be 25 years old or younger during 2020.
- Age Limit : 5-25 years old.
- Prizes will be awarded to the following age groups:
5-8, 9-12,13-17,18-25.
- Competition Opens – Monday 29th June 9am (AESDT)
- Competition Closes –Sunday 9th August 6pm (AESDT)
- Winners will be notified via email – Friday 21st August 5pm (AESDT)

How to Enter

- The competition theme is 'My Changing World'.
- Submit your entry via email - youngwritersWGL@gmail.com
- Use the Title of your story for the 'Subject Line' of the email.
- Stories must be submitted via email as a Word compatible document.
- All entries must contain the entrant's name, age, library card number, and contact number. If the entrant is under 18 years of age, the entry must contain a parent/guardian name and contact number.
- If you are not a library member, you can easily join up online or at your local library branch.

For full terms and conditions, visit wgrlc.vic.gov.au

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123 Magic® & Emotion Coaching



RESOLVE DIFFICULT BEHAVIOUR IN CHILDREN 2-12 YEARS OLDS

A Parent Education Course

FREE – Online (via ZOOM video meeting through phone/tablet or computer)

****Day or Evening times available****

On: **THURSDAY's – 1pm-3pm** starting **13th August** till **10th Sept (5 weeks)**.

Or: **THURSDAY's – 7pm- 9pm** starting **13th August** till **10th Sept (5 weeks)**

PARENTS WILL LEARN:

- How to manage behaviour without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to sort behaviour and respond accordingly
- How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- Choosing strategies - the 3 choices model
- Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- More strategies for encouraging good behaviour

PARENTS RECEIVE: • **FREE** online parenting program – In the comfort of your own home
• A certificate of completion

WHO IS RUNNING THE COURSE?

The course facilitator is: **Russell Aitken - Family Services Case Worker - Bass Coast health.**



Russell completed the 123 Magic practitioner training in: **2017**

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING...

'What a relief to come across a program that preserves the dignity of the child, maintains the self-control of both the parent and the child and is actually easy to remember when memory is the first thing to go!'

'I realised quickly that 1-2-3 Magic can be a magnificent preventative measure that any parent can use to avoid raising a child who later down the line needs excessive discipline or grows out of control.'

REGISTER TODAY: Please call, text or email **Russell** to book your place.
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This course is being facilitated by a Parentshop licenced practitioner
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