

COASTHILL NEWS

the ikps newsletter



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EVERYWHERE, ALL THE TIME

Active Learners, Safe and Respectful

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Week 5 Term 2

WHAT A WEEK!

We've had all sorts of stuff happening this week. Grade 4 on camp to Phillip Island, grade 3's visiting the beach, book fair at Kongwak, Winter Sport for the senior classes, Murray St shed got emptied (OMG! have we hoarded some 'stuff' in there), a guest appearance from a stray dog, free music lessons started in the library, families strengthening their connection with us at SSG's, beautiful weather, yucky weather, beanies ordered, Victorian High-Ability program, IDAHOBIT day.....wait... what is IDAHOBIT day I hear you ask?

Do yourself a favour and have a chat at home about IDAHOBIT day. It stands for International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia. I would encourage you to find a time to have a family conversation. Share your understanding, role model that as an adult you don't know everything about everyone, then try and find out more together. You could try a search online, investigate some answers to the questions your children might have and see if your household can become better informed. I personally want to live in a community and society that is inclusive and kind. To have an inclusive and kind world we need to have inclusive and kind schools. For that to happen, we need to be having conversations at school and in our homes about how we can understand and respect the diversity and uniqueness of the people we interact with.

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DIARY DATES - MAY

22/05	National Simultaneous Storytime Day
23/05	Division Cross Country
24/05	Winter Sport Round 4
31/05	Winter Sport Round 5

DIARY DATES - JUNE

05/06	Prep Moonlit Sanctuary Excursion
06/06	Region Cross Country
10/06	Kings Birthday Public Holiday
13/06	Division Winter Team Sport Day

WONDERFUL TO SEE

It was wonderful to see the staff and students out competing against other schools for Winter Sport. I'm always a little disappointed when Winter Sport is cancelled due to 'winter' weather. I know, I know....getting dirty and wet and cold isn't everyone's idea of a good time. However, I just love seeing our students meeting new people, working together in teams and having fun in the mud. I think a bit of grubby dirt is good for you.

It was wonderful to see our students representing our school community so well whilst they are out and about. I love hearing positive feedback from camp staff, business owners, presenters and the many other people our students interact with. I regularly hear that our students are respectful and kind when they are representing themselves and our school.

Shout out to our Grade 4's on camp this week.

BEING PROUD OF OUR SCHOOL

I'm really curious about how the results in our Attitudes to School Survey (AtoSS) last year contradicts what I'm seeing from students in the yard and classrooms. All grade 4, 5 & 6 students complete the AtoSS each year. There are 99 questions. The results show how many students responded positively to each question. The school connectedness section asks if students like our school, feel like they belong to the school, look forward to school and are proud to be a student here. My first impressions as a Principal would be that they would overwhelmingly respond positively to these questions. However, only 55% of our students responded positively to school connectedness. As a team, our staff will keep working on how we can provide an experience where our students feel connected and proud to be at IKPS.

Stay tuned, I'll share more about our AtoSS results in the future.

Whatever you've got planned for the weekend ahead, whether it's sport, theatre, practice, socialising or recovery, I hope it goes well. I can't wait for my visitors on Saturday night, we'll be playing cards, sharing good food and laughing a lot. Have a great weekend.

Kind regards

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Artist of the Week

Our artists of the week are Jayden and Josie in grade 5 with their plasticine sculptures of their humanised pets.



WEEKLY WINNERS

Congratulations to these students who had their SWPBS tickets drawn in today's raffle. It was wonderful to see the number of tickets and so many students being identified as Active Learners, Keeping Others Safe and Respectful.

Jordan F 6R, Ila King 2R, Harry L 1/2J, Tyler S 2R, Koa B PG.



WELLBEING NEWS

IKPS ARE WALKING FOR RECONCILIATION- JOIN US!

On Monday the 3rd of June, IKPS will be celebrating Reconciliation Week. We will have a multiage morning to learn what Reconciliation Week is all about, and then at 2:30pm, the whole school will participate in a walk for reconciliation. All members of our community are welcome to join us. Details of the route that we will follow will be shared in the next newsletter and through Compass.

Why walk for reconciliation?

You have probably heard the phrase 'walking together' being used when discussing reconciliation. On the 28th of May in the year 2000, The Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation came up with the idea to have a mass walk across Sydney Harbour Bridge to promote reconciliation. The organisers did not expect a big turn out, but about 250 000 Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people showed up to walk together across Sydney Harbour Bridge. A week later, 60 000 people walked together across the William Jolly Bridge in Brisbane; and then 300 000 people walked from Flinders Street Station in Melbourne to Kings Domain.

When we walk together, we acknowledge that we all have a role to play when it comes to reconciliation.

ANGLICARE PARENTZONE

Anglicare have some excellent FREE parenting programs available. Here is a link to their Term Two Newsletter: <https://cdn.anglicarevic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/PZ-Newsletter-Gippsland-Term-2-2024.pdf>

Most of the programs are delivered online. Registration details are in the newsletter.

This term, the topics are:

- Routines and boundaries
- Encouraging school participation
- Dealing with Transitions
 - Risky Business
 - Sibling Rivalry
 - Family Meetings

(Tash Bird, Inclusion Leader)



Gippsland Soccer League celebrates Female Football Week

TO mark Female Football Week, the Gippsland Soccer League hosted a Female Football Celebration at Korumburra City Soccer Club on Saturday, May 11.

The afternoon kicked off with two fixtures from the recently formed U13 Girls competition.

Large groups of supporters were on hand to cheer on the newest members of the Gippsland Soccer League.

With Wonthaggi and Phillip Island winning their respective matches against Drouin and Leongatha it was then on to the short skills clinics that were run by female coaches from clubs within the league.

More than 90 junior players from across the region had arrived to participate in the clinics with a special appearance by A-League/Matilda star Alex Chidiac who moved between groups to help out the girls with some skills.

The atmosphere was electric as girls took over all corners of the multiple pitches that had been set up.

Next up; there was a free meet and greet with the Julie



Alex Chidiac with participants in the U10s Skills Clinic run during the event.

Dolan award winner Chidiac as families and excited players lined up to get a photo and autograph from the star who took to the pitch to represent Australia in the recent Women's World Cup.

A Q&A session followed as Chidiac fielded questions from attendees of all ages.

It was revealed that Chidiac is definitely Messi over Ronaldo

and a big believer in pasta before and after games.

She also really likes the colour orange and still fangirls over teammates such as Katrina Gorry.

The massively successful event concluded with a headline match between the women's teams from Phillip Island Breakers and Mirboo North as they played under lights.

The event was not only a wonderful celebration of females in football but a wonderful indication of the massive growth the game has experienced as a result of the FIFA Women's World Cup last year.

Congratulations to all involved and a big thankyou to Alex Chidiac for taking the time to inspire a whole new generation of Matildas.



Community News



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Carer Camino
Wellbeing Walking Retreat

Tuesday 29th October to Friday 1st November 2024

Would you like to take some time out to refresh and boost your wellbeing?

Join us for this Carer Camino as we walk the Great Southern Rail Trail from Fish Creek to Port Welshpool over 4 days / 3 nights. Starting at the Fish Creek Hotel, we will walk 40 km to finish on the jetty at Port Welshpool, walking an average of 10 - 12 km each day (there is a bus available for those who require a pick up along the way).

Morning meditation sessions and afternoon wellbeing workshops will be facilitated. Each person will develop a Wellbeing Plan with simple strategies to care for your wellbeing when you are back at home.

Accommodation will be provided in Foster at the Prom Country Lodge, and meals at local venues.

The Carer Camino is open to carers who live in Gippsland and care for a person who meets the Disability Services Act 1986 eligibility criteria.

Accommodation and food are included at no cost.

Interested? Give us a call on **1300 736 765** or email us at **admin@icg.asn.au**

Places finalised by Friday 20th September 2024



"HOMES FOR WILDLIFE"
- NEST BOX INFORMATION SESSION -



PRESENTED BY NEST BOX DESIGNER & AWARD-WINNING NATURALIST

GIO FITZPATRICK

- AS SEEN ON GARDENING AUSTRALIA! -

GIO WILL DISCUSS THE USE OF NESTING BOXES TO SUPPORT WILDLIFE IN AREAS WITH DEPLETED HABITAT.

HE IS AN ACCLAIMED ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVIST WHOSE FANTASTIC WORK IN URBAN BIODIVERSITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION OVER MANY YEARS IS WIDELY VALUED.

SAT 18 MAY • 10AM - 1PM

- OUTTRIM PUBLIC HALL -

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HOLIDAY OPTIONS PROGRAM (HOP)

HOP is a supported group recreation program that provides participants with opportunities to learn, develop new skills, make friends, and connect with their local community. Regular activities occur during school holidays and a limited number take place within school terms. Activities are between 6-8 hours in duration.

ELIGIBILITY: Aged 5-12 years, residing in Gippsland and have a NDIS plan.

ACTIVITIES ARE PLANNED BASED ON PARTICIPANT INTERESTS AND MAY INCLUDE:

- EVENTS - shows, plays, exhibits.
- ACTION - kayaking, laser tag, rock climbing, snow, water parks, indoor play centers.
- CREATIVITY - dancing, music, art, craft, cooking.
- HEALTH AND WELLBEING - fitness, teamwork, exercise.

IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT US TODAY!

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