St Brendan's Primary School 1581

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We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today, the Gunaikurnai people. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging. We extend that respect to all people.





We would especially like to acknowledge the land on which our school stands and ask everyone to show respect to the environment and all that it includes



ATTENTION! ATTENTION! Tomorrow, Friday 18th of June, is the school disco. This year's theme is.......Superheroes! You can come in a costume of your favourite superhero or you can make up your own superhero. Maybe even a supervillain! But just remember, if you wear a costume you HAVE to be dressed as a superhero. On arrival if you dress up you must bring a gold coin donation, all money made will be donated to the Starlight children's foundation. There will be lots of fun things planned for the day including a dance party and ice cream for the end of the day!

By the Events Committee















Don't forget to send your school absences via the new PAM system.



Parent Notified Absences

Collaborative Conferences: Rescheduled for

Tuesday, 22nd June 3.30pm—6.30pm



Due to COVID restrictions, Collaborative Conferences are taking place via Google Meets. Last weeks Tuesday Conferences will be on Tuesday, 22nd June at the same time. You can check your time via PAM.

Dear Families and Friends,

Thank you all for your understanding in recent times. Over the last couple of weeks we have had to postpone our staff retreat and to conduct Collaborative Conferences online at short notice. We appreciate your support.

Due to COVID restrictions some of our interschool events have also been postponed. We are currently expecting to proceed with **Winter Sports** on Tuesday, 22 June. Events such as **Regional Cross Country** and the **Reconciliation Celebration** will take place in Term Three.

Our **foundation enrolments** for next year continue to grow. We have been thrilled to take families through our new buildings to observe the teaching and learning taking place. Our student leaders have been leading these tours, their confidence growing with each session. We will be capping numbers soon for foundation to limit class numbers.

Learning maths: connecting school and home - https://raisingchildren.net.au/

Your child has been learning about maths since birth. And once your child starts school, you still have a big role in helping them continue to build maths and numeracy skills.

Here are some ways that you can **support your child in learning maths skills at home** at all ages:



- Ask about the maths topics your child is learning at school and talk about how maths can help with everyday activities. For example, understanding fractions can help you measure ingredients when cooking.
- Be available to help your child with maths revision. You could ask one or two questions from a topic your child already knows so that they feel encouraged when they answer correctly.
- Use objects, words, numbers, pictures, drawings or symbols to help your child understand maths problems. For example, you could cut an apple into pieces to help your child understand fractions. Or you could add up the items on your family shopping list.
- Encourage your child to show you how they worked out a maths problem. For example, you could ask your child, 'How did you figure that out?' or 'Is there another way to figure this out?' And you could both do the same maths problem and compare how you worked out the answer.
- Encourage your child to try different ways to solve maths problems, especially when they get the wrong answer. Learning maths isn't just about finding the right answer it's also about learning different ways to solve problems

We are hoping for some assistance from parents tomorrow between 11.30am and 1.00pm to help set up for our superhero disco. If you can make it, please let the office know.

We are looking forward to celebrating First Holy Communion with our year four and five students at 6.00pm this Friday evening. Unfortunately, we are only able to host close family at the event so not everyone can attend. However, I'm sure it will be a special occasion for the children and their families.

Kind regards,

Matthew Hamer

		Dates for the Calendar		
	JUNE 2021			
Week 9	Thursday 17th	5.00pm First Communion Parent / child workshop 2: in the Hobby room		
	Friday 18th	Lunch Order Delivery Day (if you have placed an order) 9.10am Whole School Mass 2.00pm School Disco 6.00pm First Communion		
	Tuesday 22nd	Winter Sports		
Week 10	Wednesday23rd	Lunch Orders to school before 12pm		
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	Friday 25th	Lunch Order Delivery Day (if you have placed an order) 1.30pm GHC Assembly—Year 2 Prayer and Item 2.15pm School Finishes 0 End Term 2		
	JULY 2021	1.30pm GHC Assembly—Year 2 Prayer and Item		

Dear Parents and Friends,

On Friday, 18 June our student Events Leaders are hosting the annual school disco at 2.00pm.

We require parents to decorate the hall from 11.30am - 1.00pm. The theme this year is 'Superheroes. If you can help, please call the office on 0351 552712.

Thank you

Tomorrow





We have a lot of unnamed jumpers in the lost property. Please come in if your child has lost their jumper.







School Hall

EFTPOS now available to pay fees



St Brendan's & St Colman's Catholic Church - Mass Times

Fri:	18/6	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.10am
Sat:	19/6	St Dymphna's	Buchan	9.00am
		St Colman's	Orbost	5.00pm
Sun:	20/6	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
		St Joseph's	Swan Reach	11.00am
Tues:	22/6	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Wed:	23/6	St Colman's	Orbost	9.30am
Fri:	25/6	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Sat:	26/6	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	5.00pm
Sun:	27/6	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
		St Colman's	Orbost	11.00am





WELCOME TO OUR FAITH

FIRST COMMUNION: Our final First Communion parent / child workshop will be held this afternoon (Thursday 17th June) at 5pm in the Hobbyroom.

We wish all of our First Communion candidates the very best for their big celebration tomorrow evening, at 6pm in St Brendan's Church.



A prayer for our First Communion children:

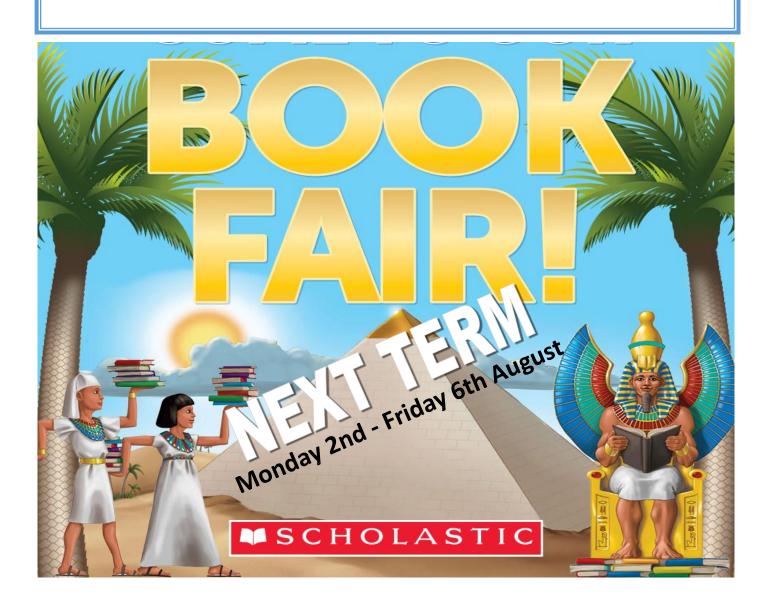
Lord Jesus Christ, bless those children preparing to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist.

Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness. Amen

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen







This week in Year 2 we have been learning about the sacraments. As a part of our learning we discussed the importance of First Communion in becoming one with Christ.

The Year 2 class wanted to show their support for all the students making this sacrament by creating gift boxes which included a prayer and the symbol of a dove.



RAYMOND CREEK FALLS

On the 13th of June 2021 my family and I went to Raymond Creek Falls. Raymond Creek Falls is located 30 Minutes from Orbost. Raymond Creek Falls has a campground so you will be able to stay there overnight. It is a family friendly place with easy walking tracks and very nice views. From Lakes Entrance it is a 90 minute drive, but it is definitely worth the drive. There is a waterfall there which you can access. The walk to the top of the waterfall is 1km but it is an extra 300m walk to get to the base of the waterfall.

By Poppy Richardson



The Year 4 students were excited to receive a reply from their penpals at the nursing home. They have been practising their handwriting and letter writing skills while writing back to their penpals. They have learnt from their penpals about their favourite toys when they were children. We are looking forward to seeing how our noughts and crosses games turn out!



GRAVITATIONAL ENERGY

Do you go crazy about why we can't just fly away like a feather in the air? Well there are a few reasons behind why we can't fly away like a feather or something very light.

WHAT IS IT?

Well to put it simply gravity is the reason why we don't float off to the stratosphere. The earth pretty much has a super power; it has a secret force that it uses to keep us and the earth together. And that's pretty much its super power.

WHERE CAN YOU FIND IT?

Well that question is easy. It's everywhere apart from on the moon there is 1.62m/s gravity on the moon and that's why you can fly but to be honest jump and you just found gravity.

HOW DOES IT PROVIDE ENERGY?

Gravity provides a great amount of energy that is stored in objects like an apple, a ball, clothes and many more things. Did you know that gravity is the weakest force out of the four forces of nature but it's the most dominant out of the four.

HOW DO WE USE IT?

We use gravity all the time, 24/7 we use it to keep us on the ground and the earth uses it too. Another way we can use it is by throwing something.

By Riley Jakins

The Traralgon Floods

By Riley Jakins

Last week, a huge storm came into gippsland. Lakes Entrance wasn't meant to be lucky. We were supposed to get the most rain but something tragic



happened 2 hours away from Lakes in Traralgon. All the rain hit there and started a huge flood. Hundreds, and hundreds of houses, buildings and much more were destroyed leaving people nowhere to go. And a few people died in the flood. But then a saviour came. The basketball stadium in Traralgon opened up for people to stay and there are eight courts so there was plenty of room. They handed out coffees to cold people and they were all safe there. And some people would sit on their cars just to be safe. Some people were unlucky that their house would just nearly float away like granny flats or small houses and sheds. The floods are still drying out but everyone is safe.

The Entrance Is Open!!

By: Amelia Midson

After the recent rain and the dangerous floods in some Victorian places the entrance at Lake Tyers is open!

It has been four years, eleven months and nine days since the entrance was last naturally opened on the 7 of July in 2016 after the torrential rain up in the catchment area with falls around the 150-170mm mark. Lake Tyers was only able to gather about 40mm and some of the locals reported around 60mm.





Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Brendan's is excited to be participating. The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- a modern user-friendly interface
- rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved the option for students to mark books as a favourite, give them a star rating or complete a book review

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 17 September 2021.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

The Premiers Reading Challenge has an online recording system which is intended for students to enter their books at home.

Student wishing to participate, need to send Katrina an email at: kwykes@lakesent.catholic.edu.au
They will then be sent their username, password and details to access the online computer system.

Keeping Warm

During the winter months we allow students to <u>arrive at school</u> with a beanie, scarf, gloves or wind proof jacket on to fight the cold. We require these items to be navy blue or black.

Please make sure your child brings their school jumper to school everyday during winter.





Lakes Entrance Preschool

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St Brendan's Op Shop has second hand school uniform available. Winter uniform in stock.

Lots of winter skirts, blouses and jackets.

Open 10am-2pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN PLACE

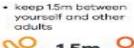
If you are unwell, please stay at home.

The greatest risk of transmission of coronavirus VID-19) is between adults. Please follow these physical distancing measures:

avoid gathering in a group inside or around the school



 avoid handshakes and hugs





 wash your hands regularly.









Enrolments are open for 2022

Book your personalised school tour!

Check out our new classrooms!

Tours available in Terms 2 & 3



Together we achieve

All families are welcome!

Call the school office on 03 51552712 or email principal@lakesent.catholic.edu.au to book your tour

www.lakesent.catholic.edu.au







2021 CBCA BOOK WEEK 21-27 AUGUST

To celebrate CBCA Book Week 2021, you are invited to enter our annual

DRAW A PICTURE/WRITE A STORY COMPETITION

For more information visit your local library or phone 5152 4225.





