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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.

END OF YEAR FAMILY BBQ

We are pleased to welcome you all to our traditional end of the year barbecue celebration. On Friday, 10 December we will gather together to celebrate the end of the school year and to welcome in the Christmas season.

2.30pm: Golden Honour Card Assembly and Presentation of School Leaders Certificates

- 4.30pm: Return to school for Classroom visits and Outdoor games
- 5.30pm: Parents v Year Six Students' Soccer Match
- 6.00pm: Dinner

6.30pm: Guitar Tuition Performance and Christmas Carols

Please bring along your own salad, drinks and dessert. School will provide sausages, hamburgers and bread. You might also like to bring your own deck chair.

Please remember all adults and children aged over 12 years of age must be fully vaccinated and are required to show proof on entry. Current students excluded.

We look forward to seeing you all and ending 2021 on a good note.

Simon Everywhere is now available on App Store and Google Play. Your school has joined the growing Simon Everywhere community. By installing the Simon Everywhere app, you will be able to receive push notifications direct to your phone. Plus you will have easy access to all of the great PAM features, such as Assessments, Reports, Activity Permissions and more.

- Search "Simon Everywhere" on App Store or Google Play and install the app
- Launch Simon Everywhere and register with your name and mobile number
- Click Add School and locate your school from the list
- Enter your existing PAM credentials









Thank you to all that supported the Baker's Delight Fundraiser. Special thanks to Baker's Delight for your continued support and donation to our school. Dear Families and Friends,

This week we conducted our School Captain and House Captain elections for 2022. The students prepared speeches with the help of their teachers and they delivered them in front of their peers. Congratulations to all candidates, we were proud of their performances. Next year we look forward to working with:

School Captains: Tulli McLeod and Daniyal Kashif

Indigenous School Captain: Jaxom Hooper-Byrne

Blue House Captains: Lucas Hanckel and Connor Guillot

Green House Captains: Lachlan Ymer and Sadie Stevens

Red House Captains: Kye Piper and Sophie Lina

Yellow House Captains: Jade Frost and Lily Mills

All other students will take on roles in 2022 as Events Leaders, Environment Leaders and Social Justice Leaders. Badges will be presented to students at the first assembly of 2022.

A huge well done to the students and staff of year six who produced the play 'Fleeced' this week. It has been a turbulent year and producing this event has been incredibly difficult. All those who saw the play commented on the great performances and good humour. It has been a wonderful way for our graduating class to finish.

Warmth, care and positive attention in strong families- https://raisingchildren.net.au/

Being warm, caring and affectionate with your child helps to build strong family relationships.

<u>Positive attention</u> is also important for building strong relationships in your family. This is the way you show interest and delight in your children and what they're doing. Positive attention builds connection and shows your children that you're available when they need you.

Tips for creating warmth, care and positive attention

Here are some suggestions for creating warmth, care and positive attention in your family:

- Tell your children how much you love them, and look for opportunities to tell them you're proud of them.
- Smile and look into your children's eyes when you talk to them.
- Show physical affection when you can.
- Look out for opportunities to <u>praise and encourage</u> the people in your family when they do something well or something kind for others. For example, 'Harriet, thank you for unpacking the dishwasher this morning it was a big help'.
- Create opportunities for special one-on-one time, doing things you all enjoy. Why not make this special time part of your family routine?

Children from warm, caring and affectionate families get along better with other children and teachers, and are less likely to have conflict with others. Also, plenty of attention and affection makes children feel special, which can help them deal with life's ups and downs.

We can't wait to spend the afternoon of Friday, 10 December together as we send out the year with a bbq, class visits and the infamous year six versus parents' soccer match. Please register your attendance with the office. See you here from 4.30pm.

Kind regards,

Matthew Hamer

		Dates for the Calendar
Term 4	DECEMBER 2021	
	Friday 3rd	Hot dog day
Week 10	Monday 6th	3.30pm Collaborative Conferences
	Tuesday 7th	3.30pm Collaborative Conferences
	Wednesday 8th	3.30pm Collaborative Conferences
	Friday 10th	End of Year Family BBQ
Week 11	Tuesday 14th	9.00am—12.00pm Year 6 Graduation
	Wednesday 15th	Last Day of Term 4
	Thursday 16th	
	Friday 17th	Curriculum Planning—No school

THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL HAT IS COMPULSORY and is to be worn by every child during all outdoor activities in Term One and Four. **No Hat - No Play** Please name your child's hat.

It's is that time of year and all library books need to be returned to the school library, asap!



School Absences:

To report a student absence please use the **Parent Notified Absences** function on **PAM.**



PROOF OF COVID-19 (VACCINATION) STATUS

Customers aged 16 or over must show proof of COVID-19 vaccination or a signed medical exemption as a condition of entry



Parent Notified Absences Click here to enter.

Please do NOT reply to you absence reminder text. Go to PAM and lodge a parent Notified Absence.



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

Sat:	04/12	St Colman's
Sun:	05/12	St Brendan's
		St Joseph's
Tues:	07/12	St Brendan's
Thur:	09/12	St Colman's
Fri:	10/12	St Brendan's
Sat:	11/12	St Brendan's
Sun:	12/12	St Brendan's
		St Colman's
		St Peter's

Orbost Lakes Entrance Swan Reach Lakes Entrance Orbost Lakes Entrance Lakes Entrance Orbost Mallacoota 5.00pm 9.00am 11.00am CANCELLED 9.30am 9.30am 5.00pm 9.00am 11.00am 3.00pm



Virtual Interview using PAM (Parent Access Module)

We recommend using Google Chrome as your browser when using Google Meet

- 1. Login to PAM with your email address and PAM password. Once PAM has loaded. click on the Parent Teacher Interviews tab.
- 2. Click the link labelled 'Click here to join interview' when it is your allocated interview time.
- If it is your first time using Google Meet on your browser, you will be asked if Google Meet can have access to 3 your microphone and camera. Click Allow on the pop-up that appears
- 4. Before your interview, it is a good idea to check your camera and microphone are working. Please ensure your microphone and camera are not muted as shown when the buttons are highlighted red.
- 5. If you have issues with your microphone, speakers or camera, please check you are using the correct input device by clicking on the three vertical dots in the bottom right corner, then Settings. From this menu you can also test your speakers and microphone to make sure they are working correctly.
- 6. Once it is your scheduled meeting time and you are ready to go, type in your full name and click Ask to join OR if you're already signed into a Google account, just click Ask to join.
- 7. Please DO NOT click 'Join Now' to enter a Google Meet before your booked time. All interviews start at fifteen minute intervals and each interview will go for approximately thirteen minutes.

This is our first time using the virtual interview system with PAM. Fingers crossed there will be no problems. Please call the school on 51552712 if you are having issues.



From 2022 we will no longer use the SkoolBag app.

All alerts and information will be sent via the Simon Everywhere app.



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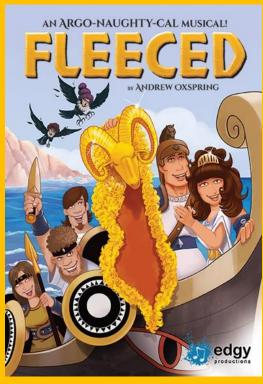






















































Well Done, Year 6!



Year Four Music Video

Gippsland Lakes Complete Health worked in partnership with St Brendan's Catholic Primary School and the Goodworthy production team on a music video. The aim of the video is to build awareness and give children a voice around the importance of caring for our planet.

Year four brainstormed lyrics, designed images and suggested actions as part of the process. As a 'Resource Smart School' we were proud of the knowledge the students have gained over the years on sustainability and the impact of their actions . Students participated in nearly two days of filming and are patiently waiting for the editing process to be completed by Goodworthy production company. By Mrs Graham and Mrs Mills.











WELCOME TO OUR FAITH



ADVENT WEEK 2: Love

The feeling of being loved is a basic human need. It isn't always easy, but the rewards are worth it. During Week 2 of Advent, think about how you show love to your family, friends, local community and those who really need it in our world.

ORNER

One way that we practise showing love to others is by being part of the local East Gippsland Community Christmas Appeal. You should all have received a note about this and we really encourage you to use the appeal as a way to teach your children about giving, even when we don't know the recipients. We may never hear them say thank you, but we trust that we are helping make someone's life a little easier. This is an important part of the Catholic Christian tradition and the traditions of other groups in our community.



The 2020 Social Justice Leaders and some of last year's hampers

CONGRATULATIONS to our students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Friday evening. They stood up proudly to confirm their faith and we pray they will continue to grow in the gifts of the Spirit.

We were all very happy to finally meet Bishop Greg. He impressed with his kind and friendly manner and we look forward to perhaps seeing him more next year.

UNIFORM

This is an important requirement and must be worn by every child each day.

Your support in this matter is paramount to its effectiveness.

We pride ourselves on our uniform and need the support of all families in ensuring that this policy is strictly adhered to.

UNIFORM ITEMS - Available from Nick's in Bairnsdale

Most items are regulation, meaning that the school has determined the style or manufacture.

Regulation Summer Uniform:

Boys Blue Short Sleeve Shirt

Boys

Girls

Summer dress/Summer shorts and

shirt Stubbies shorts (grey) Bomber jacket (with emblem) Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem) Royal blue school hat (with emblem) Grey socks (**no logos**) Black leather school shoes/boots

Regulation Sports Uniform: Boys and Girls Blue polo shirt with emblem (Short Sleeve) Navy track pants (in winter) without logos Black Basketball shorts (in summer), Skorts Girls Bomber Jacket Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem)

White sports socks - below ankle footlet style not acceptable-no logos.

Running shoes (not skate or fashion shoes)

BLACK LEATHER SCHOOL SHOES are to be worn with dress uniform on Monday and Tuesday. Tennis/sports socks are not permitted to be worn with school shoes. Black pull-on boots are acceptable. High heeled shoes are not acceptable as they pose a health risk for children.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM - Some second hand uniform is available from St Brendan's Op Shop in Bulmer Street



PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO SOCKS: STUDENTS ARE NOT TO WEAR SOCKS WITH LOGOS. SOCKS MUST BE ABOVE THE ANKLE (NO ANKLE OR FOOTLET SOCKS)

Bomber Jacket (with emblem) Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem) Royal blue school hat (with emblem) White school socks (no logos) Black leather school shoes or Buckle/lace-up/T-bar



Thank you for helping make our 2021 Book Fair a success

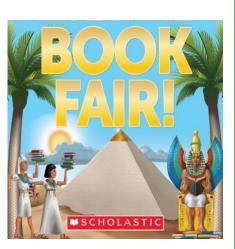
The school would like to thank you for the generous support towards our book fair.

A Scholastic Book Fair is a unique and rewarding experience and is the best way to support your school reading program and acquire muchneeded resources for your school. The school receives a commission from the sales and this year we sold \$3665.00worth of books.

This entitles the school to spend \$1099.00 on new books and school resources.

Please know how much you've helped our students and how much

we all appreciate all you support.



Face Masks – Primary Students

There is a requirement for students in Years 3 to 6 to wear a face mask indoors at school, **unless a lawful exception applies**. Whilst not required, it is strongly recommended that students in Foundation to Grade 2 wear a face mask indoors at school.

Some of the expectations for face masks at school are:

- A face mask must cover the nose and mouth. Face shields, scarves or bandanas do not meet these requirements
- Face masks can be of different colours/patterns. To help reinforce our educational practice we would prefer masks not be disposable
- All face masks must be labelled with student's names
- Students are not required to wear masks at play or during sport
- Masks to be stored in the front pocket of student's bags when not in use
- Students encouraged not to handle masks. Hygiene education provided by teachers to reinforce appropriate behaviours

Download the App now!

Please be aware that notifications needs to be **enabled** on your phone to receive alerts



 Letters / newsletters will go out via email (please keep your email address updated in PAM) and check on a regular basis

Announcing Simon Everywhere 3.0

Simon Everywhere 3.0 is here and it's packed with features. We listened to the Simon Schools community and have delivered a cleaner, easier to use mobile app for your school's parents.

- New tiled menu interface
- Integrated Messages and Actions
- Automatically imports your school's menu options
- Custom menu icons





Coming soon!

Staff & Students login!



Custom menu icons now available! Link to Newsletters, Parent Interview Bookings, Bookshop, or any custom link. Display links permanently or for a specific date period. Enquire now for registration.

Simon Everywhere 3.0 will automatically update existing installations from Term 2 start







FREE SWIM FRIDAYS

Every Friday 3.00 pm - 7.45 pm Free entry to the Aquatic area Bring the kids along and join them for a free swim!



Balmsdale Aquatic and Recreation Centre



Items to collect and send into school







LibrariesConnect

Storytime and Rhymetime are back!

Storytime and Rhymetime sessions will resume next week (from 8th November 2021) at Bairnsdale, Lakes Entrance, Mallacoota, Omeo, Orbost and Paynesville Libraries.

Storytime (for ages 2 - 5)

Bairnsdale Library | Tuesdays at 11.00 am Lakes Entrance Library | Tuesdays at 11.00 am Mallacoota Library | Wednesdays at 2.30 pm Omeo Library | Wednesdays at 11.45 am Orbost Library | Tuesdays at 10.30 am Paynesville Library | Tuesdays at 11.00 am

Rhymetime (for ages 0 - 2)

Bairnsdale Library | Wednesdays at 10.30 am Lakes Entrance Library | Wednesdays at 10.30 am Orbost Library | Thursdays at 10.00 am Paynesville Library | Mondays at 10.30 am

COVID-19 precautions will be in place including limited numbers (dependant on room capacity limits).

Following direction from the Victorian Government, only those who are fully vaccinated from COVID-19 (or medically exempt) and wearing a mask are permitted to enter East Gippsland Shire Libraries.

Participants will be required to check-in upon entry to the library and provide proof of vaccination to library staff.

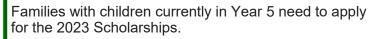
For more information phone 5152 4225.



A reminder that the car park at the front of the school and the church are **NOT** drop off zones. If you enter these car parks you **MUST** walk your children into the school. **DROP OFF ZONE** is via the Mary MacKillop Hall carpark only. The Disabled Parking spaces are only for people with permits. Thank you.

2023 Scholarships at Nagle College are now open. Full details of our Scholarship program can be found on our website at https://www.nagle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/scholarships.

Applications will be accepted until the closing date which is Friday 4 March 2022.





SPORTS SHIRTS

All St Brendan's sports shirts that have been given out to children for school sports and athletics, now need to be returned to school as soon as possible.



FICIAL KIDS PROGRAM

BLASTERS CRICKET

- LAKES ENTRANCE CRICKET CLUB
- Sign up now at playcricket.com.au
- Thursdays, October 28 to December 16, 4.30pm at Lakes Entrance Recreation
- Enquiries to Mick Poynton 0438 308 725 or



FREE AGES 5 -12 BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED

Orders must be in on Wednesday.

Orders must be in a brown lunch order bag.

Seagulls Lunch order Menu & Price List 2021

Hot dog	\$4.50				
Hot dog with cheese	\$5.00				
Ham & Salad Roll	\$6.00				
Chicken & Salad Roll	\$6.00				
Ham & Cheese Sandwich	\$4.50				
Cheese & Vegemite Sandwich	\$4.00				
Steamed Dim Sims	\$1.00 each 🔗 🍂				
Fried Dim Sims	\$1.00 each				
(soy sauce free)					
Chicken Strips	\$1 each				
Party Pies	\$1 each				
Small Sausage Rolls	\$1 each				
Sauce 💝	.30c each				
All orders will need to be in by					
Wednesday morning—before 12pm					
for lunch on Friday.	E				

Children's Christmas

Craft Activity Session



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Junior LEGO enthusiasts are invited to attend our after-school LEGO Club sessions

The sessions incorporate freestyle creativity and themed construction activities.

Donations welcome

The library will gladly accept donations of old or new LEGO brand pieces for our LEGO Club collection.

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Lakes Entrance Service Centre

Every Wednesday

For more information, phone 5152 4225 or ask in person at the library about these FREE sessions



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Come along and listen to some Christmas Christmas tree ornament you can keep.

Phone 5152 4225 or book in person at the library for this FREE event.



Bairnsdale Library Wed 15 December

FREE AGES 5 -12 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Thu. 16 December Paynesville Service Centre Fri. 17 December Mallacoota Service Centre

