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 Principal ● Zlatko Pear

Inspirational.

A few words from the Principal.....Zlatko Pear

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Calendar

November

- 27 Headstart begins
- 27 Year 2 Beechworth Honey Visit

December

- 7 P-6 Celebration Night
- 8 Last Day Canteen is open
- 12 State-wide Orientation Day
- 13 Year 7-12 Awards Evening 7pm EMPAC

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Exams/Headstart Program

The Year 10 and 11 students completed their exams this week. This will be followed by our secondary school 'Headstart Program' starting next Monday 27th November. To better engage the students during the final few weeks of the year all secondary students will start next year's classes on that date. In most cases they will be in class with their 2024 cohort taught by next year's teachers. The current Year 7 – 9 students will complete the program on Friday 15th December. Our year 10 and 11 students will complete a two-week VCE program which will conclude on Thursday 8th December.

Uniform

We understand that there has been some concern regarding the supply of school uniform. We can confirm that 'Billy and Me' has been taken over by new owners. The shop will reopen next week and will continue to stock our uniform.

Orientation Day

Tuesday 12th December will be the State-wide Orientation Day. Our 2024 Prep students will spend most of the day at school. All other primary students will 'step-up' to their 2024 classes. It is an exciting day because in most cases students will be with their 2024 teachers and classmates.

Building Update

By the time we read our next newsletter we would have taken possession of the Admin and the Prep – Year 2 buildings. We will move into the new buildings before the end of the year. The old Prep – Year 2 corridor will be demolished in early January.



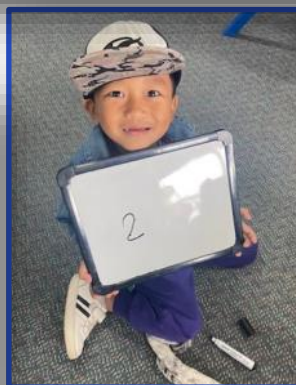
Prep-Year Building

Prep Transition



On Tuesday morning, we welcomed our Prep 2024 students for a special Transition morning. There were so many children already dressed in their school uniforms, eager and ready to begin at big school! Although, some students had a few butterflies in their tummies, they soon settled and joined in the activities. Most loved were Suzie and Gus our class puppets who helped us to identify how we were feeling and use our Emotional Regulation thermometer. We also enjoyed playing on the equipment in the yard together and learning a special counting song whilst writing numerals 0-10 on special whiteboards. We look forward to welcoming 2024 Prep students back for another Transition morning next Tuesday 28th November 9:15am-11:30am.

Mrs Lock, Mrs Lindsay and Mrs Scott



Reading Award



Our lovely crossing supervisor Janette recently donated a copy of the book *The Rebels of Mt Buffalo* and a lovely bookmark to the school. She wanted it to be awarded to a student in Year 5 or 6 who has shown great improvement in their reading. The book and bookmark were presented to Year 5 student Zoe Roberts last Friday. Well done Zoe!

Zoe was delighted with her prize, and so appreciative, that she made a special visit to thank Janette at the crossing before catching her bus home. She has already started the book and is enjoying it very much.

Thank you Janette for your ongoing support of our school and students.

Fishing Rod Writing Competition

At the assembly last Friday, six students received fishing rods as prizes for a writing competition they had entered. All Primary students had the opportunity to write a letter to Mr Lindsay with all the reasons why they should get a new fishing rod. Mr Lindsay selected the six winners, but he did say it was a very difficult decision to make. Well done to the winners and also the students that participated in the competition.

Fishing writing competition winners: Sigrid Boyd (Prep LC), Lachlan Allan (3SP), Jesse Fa'Oliu (3SP), Oscar Tran (3/4MC), Connor Schell (6RF) and Ben Hodgkin (6RF).



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Green Card Winners

Term 4 Week 8



Prepared and ready to participate
 Keeping my learning space tidy
 Focussing on my own work
 Arriving and leaving quietly and safely
 Showing kindness to others

Krystal Duncan
 Charlotte Koers
 Elsa Magyar
 Jake Jennings
 Chloe Franks
 Katie Monshing
 Rose Harris
 Ari Te Rira
 Grisham Shrestha
 Charlie Misener
 Gavin Figueroa

Following teacher directions
 Wearing my uniform proudly
 Using respectful language
 Trying my hardest

Congratulations!!

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Green Card Winners

Term 4 Week 7



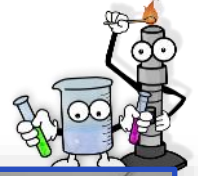
Prepared and ready to participate
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Alice Branagan
 Jett Newman
 Max Povolo
 Leo Penn
 Bonique Bedendo
 Max Kleine
 Ali Ramia
 Logan Aldridge-Campbell
 George Milligan
 Adelina Rendek (Absent)
 Sushrishi Dahal (Absent)

Following teacher directions
 Wearing my uniform proudly
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Congratulations!!

Science and Culinary Adventures



Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Days

Over the past few weeks we have had the pleasure of meeting our newest high school students. The past two Wednesdays, we focused on creating an immersive experience for our upcoming Year 7 students. The integration of science and culinary exploration proved to be a hit, offering a perfect blend of academic excitement and hands-on learning.

From crafting sherbet in the science lab, exploring chemical reactions and taste sensations, to donning aprons in the home economics kitchen for pancake and biscuit adventures, our Year 6 students embraced both the wonders of science and the joys of culinary arts. These experiences not only nurtured practical life skills but also fostered collaboration and teamwork. The transition days aimed to ignite curiosity and make the journey into Year 7 an exciting one. As we bid farewell to the academic year, we eagerly anticipate welcoming our Year 7 students back in 2024, confident that the skills and enthusiasm gained during the transition days will serve as a strong foundation.

Kate Sanderson



FOGO bins at school

5/6 BF has been working diligently to introduce Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) bins at Myrtleford P-12 College. FOGO bins provide a solution to towering piles of rubbish that end up going into our landfills. 5/6 BF is responsible for inspecting and emptying the caddies from each classroom and placing the waste in the large FOGO bin. The food waste collected gets converted into reusable compost. This initiative is aligned with the council's introduction to waste management in the greater community.

Peter Fullwood

Students: Tanishka Sharma, Awi Ling, Riley Foreman and Kiro Fantonalgo



A close look at flowers



Our unit in Year 2 is looking at Biological Sciences and how "living things grow, change and have offspring similar to themselves." The last few weeks, we have been focusing on bees and learning about their special role as pollinators. We have learnt about flowers and the crucial role that bees and other pollinators play. The students investigated the parts of the flower that contain pollen and how the bees collect and transfer the pollen. In the Science Lab they got to explore and identify the different parts of the flower with magnifying glasses.

Mrs Cavallin and Miss Hogan



Intergenerational Playgroup



20/11/2023

MP12 College and Myrtleford Lodge

I am so happy, what a day! The Teddy Bears Picnic was a hit. The residents from the Lodge enjoyed their time out in the garden with all the babies, children, parents and grandparents. Ages ranged from 0-101. We had a Teddy Bear Parade to music by the talented Mr Lindsay and teddy bear biscuits supplied by the Lodge, some of which were nicely iced by MP12 College Year 8 students.



Eleven families joined us with their little ones. Year 1 and 2 students walked down to share in the morning and participate in the Teddy Bear Parade. They all had a blast!



Intergenerational Playgroup



So many people did their part to make the morning work. It really was just a wonderful day, proving once again that dreams do come true. It was a joy to watch the interaction right across the age span and see the smiles everywhere. Thanks so much to everyone for a wonderful community event. Cheers from Year 8 students Sienna, Taleah, Charlee and Paige and School Nurse Rosemary Bunge.



“ Together we do better ”



Reflections from 1A and 2H



Following their visit to the Lodge for the Teddy Bears Picnic, 2H have drawn some pictures, and 1A have written some lovely reflections.

Jacob Matheson

The Lodge Visit

On Monday the 20th of November 2023 1A and 2H went down to the lodge. My favourite part was singing to the residents with Mr Lindsay and his guitar.

Koby Harris- 2H

The Lodge Visit

When I went to the lodge today, I read a book to a 10 year old with Graham and Max. I enjoyed singing and eating teddy bear biscuits.

Zoe Pankhurst: I like when old people got to see my teddy and we could talk about the picnic.

Grisham Strathairn- 2H

Teddy Bear Picnic

My favourite part of the lodge was when we sang songs, we read books, and we ate teddy bear cookies. There were plain cookies, iced and chocolate cookies.

Evie: I liked when I was playing with the kids and they were smiling and having lots of fun.

Fletcher Harris: When I saw some friends and played with my teddy.



Bryce Dato-On: I liked making new friends at the picnic.

Tyann Patterson- 2H

The Teddy Bear Picnic

I liked going to the lodge because it was pretty fun and we sang to the residents with Mr Lindsay.

Max Povolo- 2H

THE LODGE VISIT

Today my class and I went on an excursion to the Myrtleford Lodge. First, we said hello to the elders. Then, we read a book to all of the people. After that, we sang some songs and ate some teddy bear biscuits.

Sloven Neasing- 2H

MY FAVOURITE PART OF THE LODGE

My favourite part of the lodge was singing to the residents and getting to know about them more. The other reason was eating the delicious chocolate covered teddy bear cookies.

Charlie Mull: I had fun showing my teddy (Bluey) around the parade.





Reflections from 1A and 2H

Sammy Benci: I liked when we went to the parade with my teddy.

Anna Barry: I liked when the little kids were taking my teddy (Lola) and playing with it.

Oliver Barbisan: I liked when I was making my monkey (teddy) dance to the music and I looked over and one little kid was smiling at me.

Willa Mitchell: I liked when we got to show our teddy around at the parade.



Chloe Sherrill

Teddy Bear Picnic

On Monday the 20th of November I went to the lodge to see the residents. This was my favourite part of my day.

Liz Simpson- 2H

The Lodge Visit

My favourite thing about the lodge was reading to the elders.

Hudson Brown- 2H

Teddy bear picnic at the lodge

My favourite part about the lodge was when I saw an elderly person named Stephanie. I talked to her about my teddy bear and her necklace.

The Lodge

My favourite part of the lodge visit was getting to know people. I loved how we had a parade and sang some songs. It was a beautiful time.
Zarah Vescio

Jaxsen Merg

Lodge Visit

My favourite part of the teddy bear picnic was us singing the songs to the people around us. I also enjoyed making music with the instruments.

Super Sergeant

The Lodge

Today I went to the lodge to see the residents with 1A. I liked seeing the residents.

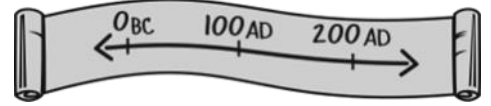


Alexander Benci: I liked when a lot of people commented on my teddy and I got to introduce him.

Holly Dwyer: My favourite thing was when I was showing people my teddies and making the teddies say hello.

Jack Pankhurst: I liked when Mr Lindsay was playing the music and we were all singing along.

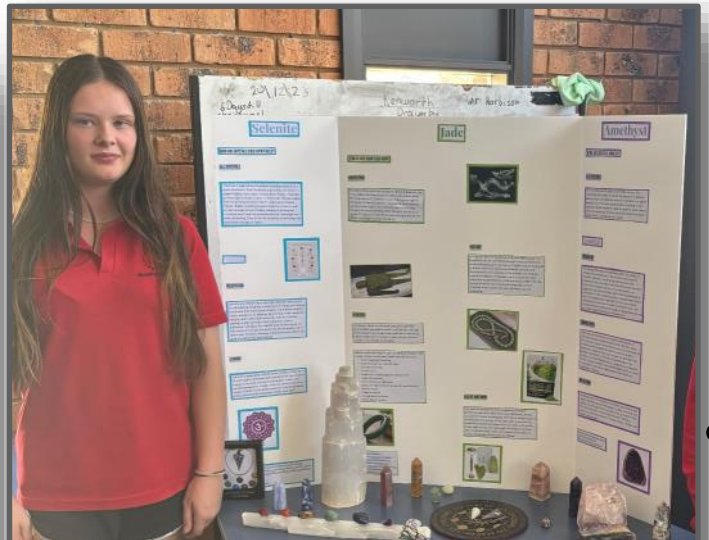
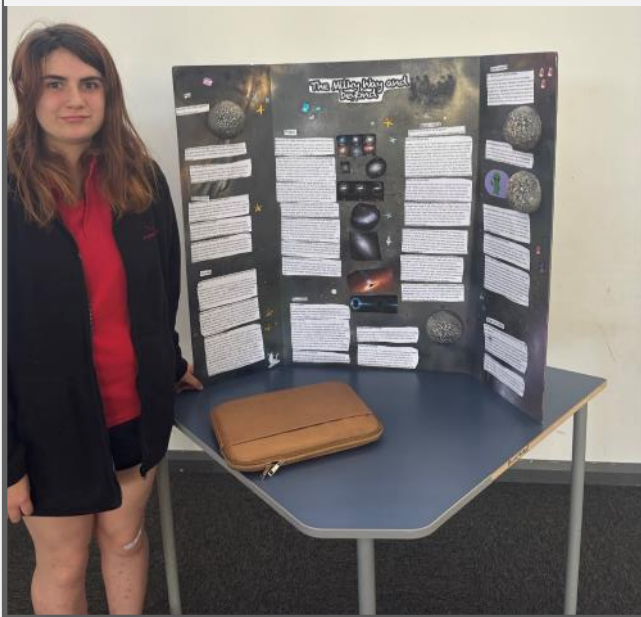
Little Big History



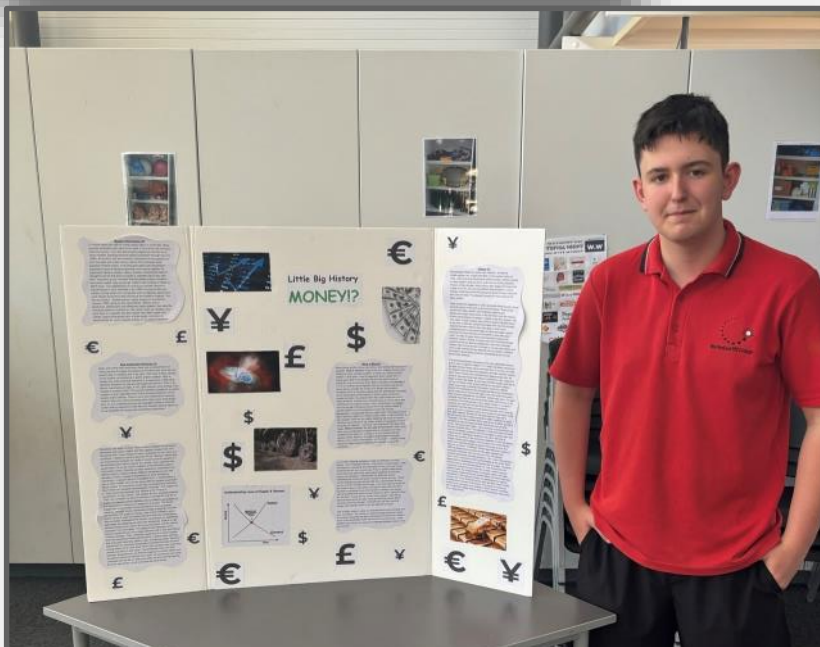
The Year 10 Humanities students, in place of an exam, researched and presented on a topic of their choice as part of our Little Big History exhibit. As their culminating assessment for this course they were required to choose one commodity/construct/past-time that they were interested in and complete in-depth research on it, from the Big Bang until today. This is known as a Little Big History and they worked on them for approximately three months. These presentations gave our students the opportunity to present their hard work and share their newfound knowledge with other people in their community. As you can see, they created some truly incredible work that they should be very proud of.

Miss Schaefer

Bianca— *The Milky Way and Beyond*



Schuylar and Taya— *Crystals*

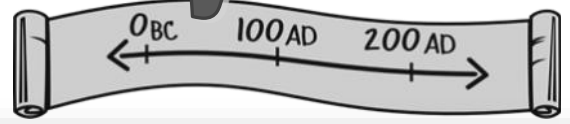


Alex— *Money*

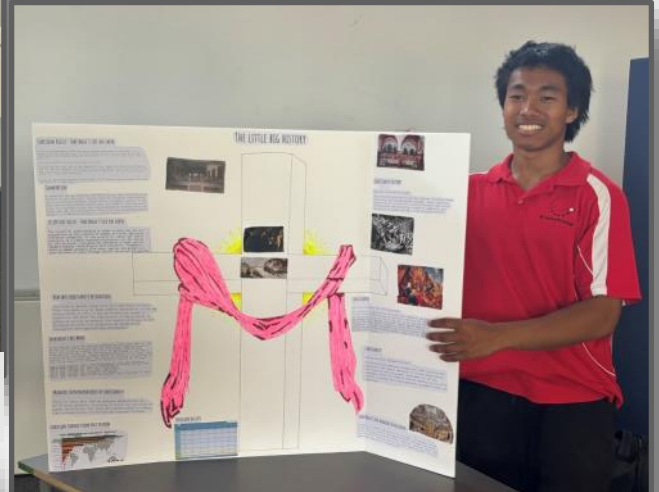


Viktoriya— *Germany*

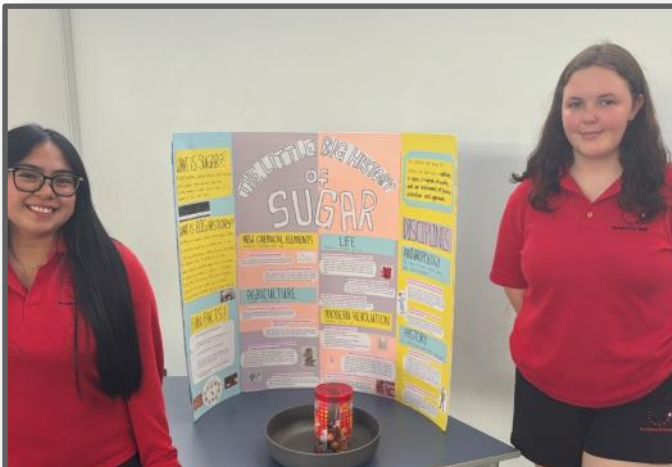
Little Big History



Callum and Soren- **Premier League**



Loki, Oliver and Andrew- **Christianity**

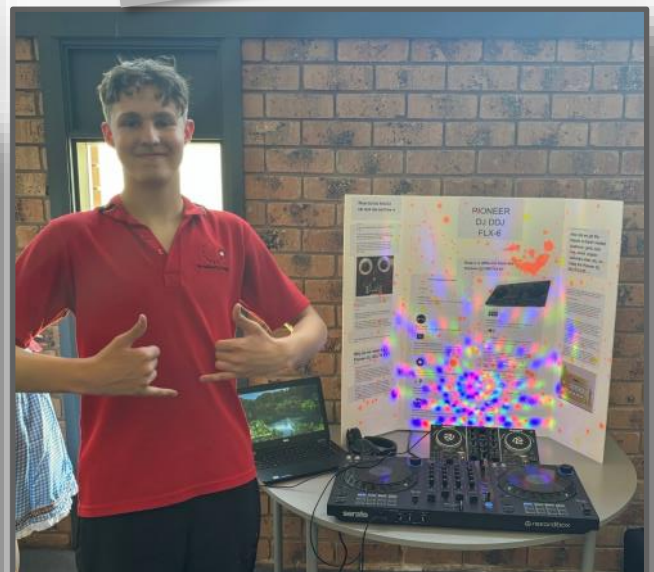


Angela and Selena- **Sugar**

Topics not pictured:
 Aaron – **Radioactivity**
 Zali and Meah – **Bruno Mars**
 Sahara and Lacey – **CD**



Brooke and Sam- **Water Skiing**



Rian- **Pioneer DJ DDJ FLX-6**

HEALTH CORNER...with School Nurse Rosemary Bunge



Myrtleford Lodge visit with Year 3/4 on Tuesday 21st November

After recess we walked down to the Lodge as a class to visit our friends. While at the Lodge the students shared their written work with the residents. It was a great session of sharing and the students were full of ideas on the walk back.

As always a wonderful time of sharing between young and older citizens in our community.

....Rosemary



HEALTH CORNER...with School Nurse Rosemary Bunge



Lodge recount

On the 21st of November, our class (3/4MC) went to the Myrtleford Lodge. We needed our hats, drink bottles and writing pieces to show to the lodge members.

After we walked all the way there, we sat on the floor and introduced ourselves and the residents did the same. The names we remembered were Diane, Benna, Grace and Olga.

To each resident, we read our pieces of writing, told them our names and we got to hug some of them.

Then we got a photo with the residents. Then they had to go to have their lunch. After we met all of the residents we walked back to our classrooms.

By Isabel, Harlow and Sarah (3/4MC)



Thought of the week:

“Every day is a gift....
Even the hard ones!”

CANTEEN will be CLOSED
from MONDAY 11th Dec.
Therefore...
the last day for the CANTEEN for 2023 is
Friday 8th Dec



REMINDER: HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

NAB AFL Auskick is a community run program that relies on the honesty, involvement and support of all people involved. A key part of your participation at Auskick is to ensure you are registered on our registration platform.

It is important you are registered for the following reasons:



- 1** This ensures your Auskick Coordinator knows who you are and knows how many kids to plan for and equipment to provide at each session
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Register via the QR code below
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Kimberley



Number of Days: 19 Days
Program Dates: July 31st until August 18th.

Program Focus: Interact with and share stories with members of the community. Experience the beauty, history and culture of the land and people. Learn about bush tucker and medicines.

Cost: \$4500

CEDA Nepal



Number of Days: 22 Days
Program Dates: September 21st until October 12th.

Program Focus: Critical & creative thinking, intercultural learning & connections, working collaboratively & volunteering on various community projects.

Cost: \$8000
 (Maximum cost – possible refund depending on flight/trek costs)

Summit to Sea



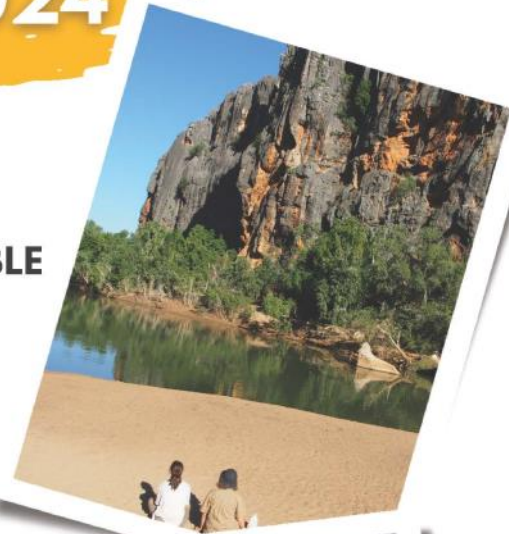
Number of Days: 21 Days
Program Dates: September 21st until October 11th.

Program Focus: Connections to Nature and country, Working Collaboratively & Reflection

Cost: \$2000

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