Robocup Ballarat Regional Competition

Last Thursday several of our students in grades 3-6 attended the Robocup Ballarat Regional Competition held at the Earth Ed Centre in Mt Clear. Our students built and programmed robots to compete in Soccer, Dance and Rescue events. We are very proud of all of our students who represented our school at this event.

Pupil Free Day – Thursday 6th November

At last night’s School Council meeting approval was given for a Curriculum Day to be held on Thursday 6th November. Students do not attend school on this day. Staff will be working in teams to plan for 2015. Friday 7th is Show Day Holiday.

Calendar

**October**
- Tuesday 28th: Active After School Program – Cricket
- Wednesday 29th: Active After School Program – Soccer 3:30 – 4:45pm
- Friday 31st: Swimming Program

**November**
- Tuesday 4th: Active After School Program - Cricket
- Wednesday 5th: General Assembly in multi-purpose room at 9:00am
- Thursday 6th: Curriculum Day – Students do not attend school today
- Friday 7th: Ballarat Show Day Holiday
- Tuesday 11th: Active After School Program – Cricket
- Wednesday 12th: Community Connect Lunch Day
- Friday 14th: Active After School Program - Soccer
- Tuesday 18th: Active After School Program - Cricket
- Wednesday 19th: General Assembly in multi-purpose room at 9:00am.

- Active After School Program - Soccer

20th – 22nd: Energy Breakthrough at Maryborough
- Friday 21st: Swimming Program
- Tuesday 25th: Active After School Program - Cricket
- Friday 28th: Swimming Program

**December**
- Monday 1st: School Council meeting 7:30pm
- Tuesday 2nd: 2015 Preps Family information night. 7pm
- Wednesday 3rd: General Assembly in the multi-purpose room at 9:00am

**APPRECIATIONS**

- We appreciate Mr White coaching the soccer team and Mrs Giurietto and Miss Morrison coaching the netball teams.
Enrolments for 2015
We now have limited vacancies across the school for 2015. We encourage new families to enrol ASAP to avoid disappointment. Transition programs for Prep will commence soon. We thank all families who have enrolled their children at Caledonian Primary School.

Concert DVD
Our concert DVDs have arrived at the school. If you have placed an order for one of these please collect it from the school office. Cost per DVD is $10, payable on collection.

NEWS FROM THE ARTROOM
CONGRATULATIONS: Georgia Carden, David Adams, Seth Hewett and Hayley Ware. These students will be decorating large timber cut-outs, of their design, (a sheep and a chicken) as part of the promotion for the Ballarat Agricultural & Pastoral Society’s Show. Look out for these creatures around town!
Debi McLean (Art Teacher)

Hats
We practice being Sunsmart at Caledonian Primary School. All students are required to wear a bucket hat or a broad rim hat for all outdoor activities in Terms 1 and 4.

Head Lice
Parents are reminded that Tuesday night is the advised time to check children’s hair for headlice. We will conduct checks at school each Wednesday morning. Please note we are required by Government policy to send students home immediately if live lice are detected. Students with live lice cannot return to school until treated. Your cooperation in checking your child/ren’s hair would be greatly appreciated by staff.

Caledonian Community Connect News
Caledonian Community Connect is committed to adding to, complimenting and providing other enriching activities for the children of Caledonian Primary School. If you would like to be involved we would love to see some new faces at our meetings.

Community Connect Important Events & Dates
Wed 5th Nov – preparing and serving dinner to staff and students of Donald Primary School. From 4pm in the multi-purpose room.
Wed 12th Nov – Healthy Lunch Day for staff and students
Wed 26th Nov – Afternoon of music and dance – opportunity for students who are currently undertaking music/dancing lessons to showcase their talents to a special person in their lives. Afternoon tea to be provided by Community Connect.
Mega Xmas Raffle – to be drawn at the final assembly of the year.(Wednesday 17th December 9:00am)
Mon 15th Dec – Grade 6 Graduation dinner at Victoria Bowling Club

DONALD PRIMARY SCHOOL CAMP – 5th & 6th November
Members of Community Connect will return the favour of the Donald school community by serving dinner to staff and students from Donald when they attend their school camp in Ballarat on Wednesday 5th November. Also, the Caledonian school community is being asked to assist with the serving of breakfast on Thursday 6th November before the troops from Donald head to Sovereign Hill. If you are able to assist preparing and serving on either of these days, please let Pam know in the office.
SPECIAL LUNCH DAY – 12TH November
Community Connect is proud to offer students the opportunity to enjoy a healthy lunch on Wednesday 12th November. We will be making up salad rolls/sandwiches with a variety of yummy fillings. If you would like your child to have a special lunch on this day you must have filled in the attached form and return it to the office with payment NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER. Cost per roll/sandwich is $4.00.

AFTERNOON OF MUSIC AND DANCE – 26TH November
We know there are many talented souls among our students who attend music/dance lessons week in, week out. Community Connect would love to give these students the opportunity to perform a piece of their work in front of an audience of special guests and will serve a light afternoon tea following the performance. So we are able to plan for this afternoon, we ask that any student that would like to participate fill in the attached form and we will provide additional details at a later stage.

MEGA XMAS RAFFLE – To be drawn 17th December
Community Connect will be hosting a Mega Xmas Raffle and are already excited about the number of prizes we have! We would like to ask all families to donate a non-perishable item to be used to increase the number of prizes we are able to offer. All items collected will be placed into various sized hampers so that we can spread the Xmas cheer far and wide. If you would like to donate an item for the raffle, please leave it with Pam at the office. Tickets will be sent home within the coming weeks.

Caledonian Community Connect
Lunch Day Order Form

Childs Name: ____________________________ Childs Class and Room: ____________________________

Yes, I would like my child to have a Healthy Lunch Day Lunch on Wednesday 12th Nov
My child would like to have:
Choose only 1 of the following:

Bread Roll □ Multi-Grain bread □

Choose only 1 of the following:

Ham □ Chicken □ Salami □

Choose any of the following:

Grated Cheese □ Tomato □ Cucumber □

Beetroot □ Lettuce □ Grated Carrot □

Payment of $4.00 per child must be included with the order form.
Orders and payment must be returned to the school office by Wednesday 5th November.
Late orders cannot be accepted.

An Afternoon of Music and Dance

I would like my child to perform at Afternoon of Music and Dance on Wednesday 26th Nov □
My child currently has lessons at: ____________________________

What type of dance/musical instrument do they study: ____________________________
**Playgroup**

Playgroup will now be held on Friday mornings in the multi-purpose hall at 9:00am. All most babies, toddlers and preschoolers most welcome to come and join our fun.

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**Donald Primary School Visit**

Donald Primary School will visit Caledonian Primary School on Wednesday 5th November and stay overnight. Danny and the team at Donald were very gracious hosts when our Year 3/4 students camped there earlier this year. It is our turn to reciprocate and show the Donald students some good old Caledonian hospitality.

If you are able to assist with any of the following items please contact the office:

- Provide cakes/slices for supper on Wednesday 5th November
- Assist with preparation of the evening meal (preparing vegetables etc from 3.30pm onwards)
- Assist with the serving of breakfast on the morning of Thursday 6th November
  - Loan a lilo/air mattress for Wednesday evening

Your assistance would be greatly appreciated!

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**Before School Care**

From the beginning of 2015 we hope to commence Before School Care for those parents who may need this service. School Council have approved a 6 month trial for terms 1 & 2 of next year to look into the viability of such a service. We will of course continue with our After School Care.

We are currently looking into times, staffing etc and will have further information available in a later newsletter. In the mean time if you would like to use this service next year, please register your child with the office.

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**Livvi’s Place Fundraiser – Casual Clothes Day**

The Touched by Olivia Foundation, in partnership with the City of Ballarat and Bank of Melbourne are building the region’s first inclusive playground at Victoria Park. This $1 million facility will become a community hub, where citizens, regardless of their ability, will be able to meet and play side by side. We chose to work with Ballarat because we believe there is a great need for a Livvi’s Place Inclusive Playground here, and are committed to creating this special space for many generations to come.

Caledonian Primary School will have a Casual Clothes Day on Thursday 13th November. In particular students are encouraged to wear Olivia’s colours - pink, blue or yellow. Students are encouraged to make a gold coin donation.
RACV Energy Breakthrough

Congratulations to the following students for making our 2014 RACV Energy Breakthrough HPV teams:

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**iPads in Years 5/6 in 2015**

Last night School Council discussed the positive impact iPads have had on learning at Caledonian Primary School. We also shared the approach Ballarat secondary schools are using, several of which now include iPads as part of their Year 7 booklist.

In 2015 we would like every student in Year 5/6 to bring their own iPad to school each day for learning. The trial in Year 5/6 this year has been particularly successful. Several Ballarat schools now have 1:1 programs, some are whole school. We want to provide the best possible learning outcomes for Caledonian students. We do not feel that a whole school approach is necessary at this stage however we are keen to ensure our students in the upper school continue to be engaged in their learning and are adequately equipped with the necessary skills for secondary school.

We are mindful of the financial impact this decision has on families and School Council would like to invite written responses from parents in 5/6 next year before any firm decisions are made. If you will be a parent of a child in Year 5/6 next year please complete the attached proforma and return it to the office prior to Friday 14th November.

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**iPads in Year 5/6 Survey**

Parent Name: _____________  Student Name: ______________

I agree that all students in Year 5/6 should have an iPad:  Yes  No

Comments:
New Uniform Items
School Council voted to change our school polo top. We will have a short and long sleeve polo top for 2015. The tops will be navy with a jade stripe on the side. New polo tops will be available from late January at Beleza. We are also adding a polo fleece vest to our uniform. These vests are available now without our logo and will have our logo on them from next year.
Students will still be able to wear the current polo tops for as long as they wish.

Assembly for this term
Because of our swimming program on Fridays our school assemblies will be held on Wednesday morning at 9:00am once a fortnight for this term only. Parents are most welcome to attend. Students of the week will still be given out each week but certificates will be presented every fortnight. Assemblies for the remainder of the year will be taken by our student leaders.

CALEDONIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

TRIBES
At Caledonian Primary School students, staff and parents practice the following five agreements:
• Right to Participate/Pass/Return
• Attentive Listening
• Personal Best
• Mutual Respect
• Appreciations / No Put Downs

Students of the Week
Congratulations to the following students of the week who will be presented with their awards at assembly on Wednesday 5th November:

Room 1 Miss Kate – Declan Rowland for trying his personal best in reading.
Room 2 Miss Morrison – Aiden Davis for always following the TRIBES agreements.
Room 3 Mrs Lawlor/Mrs Polkinghorne – RJ Zuecker for trying his personal best to make good choices
Room 4 Mr Robinson – Jowie Skewes-Clinton for being a positive class member
Room 5 Mr Vagg – Lachlan Dobbie for expressive and creative writing.
Room 6 Mrs Dent -Hagen McMillan for personal best at school.
Room 7 Mr White – Jasmine-Lee Laherty for her patience and resilience with others.
Room 8 Ms Giurietto – Ella Harper for excellent focus and attention to detail.
Room 9 Mr Fisher – Ewen Martin for making a super start to Caledonian.
Room 11 Miss Bull – Madisyn Adderley for being a great classroom helper.
Room 12 Mr Prockter – Indy Hewett for always trying his best.

Art – Cooper Watts for amazing ‘Spring Flowers’ using paper, texta and pipe cleaners!
LOTE – Brodie Hogan for his great memory of Chinese words
PE – Ella Bignell for an outstanding opening partnership in cricket. Ishy Burgoyne for an outstanding opening partnership in cricket and a wonderful effort making the State Athletics Championships.
Music – Myles Pyers for great work in Music