



LITTLE RIVER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL: PAMELA HEANE

Dear Parents and Families,

WORKING BEE

Thanks to the people who were able to help out at short notice with a working bee for the Country Fair: Leanne and Bruce Robertson, Mark and Rebecca Jackson, Bessie Caldwell-Garcia, Tracey Winslett and her niece Ebony, Sue Excell, Narelle Magee and Isabella Canty. Your willing assistance is greatly appreciated and the hall and COLA (covered outdoor learning area) are much improved by your efforts.

HOURS OF SUPERVISION BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

The school grounds are supervised from 8:45am in the morning and after school until 3:45pm in the afternoon.

COUNTRY FAIR

The Country Fair excitement is taking hold in the school and I would like to thank all those who are busy preparing for their stalls, making and cooking and donating items etc.

REPORTING TO PARENTS

Formal Reports are distributed twice a year.

Student-Led Conferences are provided in June so that students can celebrate their learning and talk about their learning goals as they go forward with the year.

Portfolios are sent home in June (for parents to have a look) and then sent home in December for parents to keep as a practical record of their child's work samples.

There are many students who have Individual Learning Improvement Plans (ILIPs). It may be for academic achievement above or below expected levels. The ILIP may be for self-regulation or behavior or any other additional learning needs. If your child does NOT have an Individual Learning Improvement Plan and you are worried for any reason about their academic or personal development please feel free to make an appointment with your child's teacher for a meeting to ensure every opportunity for 'on-track' learning is being provided for your child.

We know that children whose parents value education and are interested in their child's progress are most likely to achieve their potential. Ideally, parents and teachers need to work together. A 'Team Approach' gives children security and stability and this ensures the best outcomes for children.

Many thanks to The **GEELONG COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** for their Target gift vouchers to help some families with starting back to school expenses.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE BOOKINGS

As attendance at both sessions have grown rapidly this year, with now an average of over 10 students per session, a reminder that if you need to **cancel a booking for after school care this must be done by lunchtime on the day of the booking** or a cancellation fee of \$5.00 will be charged. Likewise for **before school care bookings must be cancelled before 8.30am by texting Pamela on 0439 343 855** on the night before or on the day of the booking or the cancellation fee will be charged.

Kind Regards, Pamela Heane

Country Fair Update



The school's Annual Country Fair is only 2 weeks away and there are many exciting activities already planned for the day which will ensure a day filled with fun.

Ride Wristbands

Pre-Ordering of Ride Wrist bands is now available until Friday 18th March. Wrist bands are \$20.00 if you buy before the 18th March or \$25.00 on the day or \$5.00 a ride.

A receipt will come home with your child on Friday 18th March or they can be collected from the office the Friday before the fair. **Please make sure you keep your receipt safe as lost receipts CANNOT BE RE-ISSUED.** On the day of the fair you will need to take your receipt to the ticket box to redeem it for a wrist band. The rides we are guaranteed to have are 5 Petrol Mini Jeeps, Bungee Run, Looney Tunes Combo & Mini Golf.



Volunteers on the day

A big thank you to all families that have already volunteered to assist on the day, as the success of the fair is heavily dependent on families assisting on the day to run our stalls and activities. We still have a number of spots available and would greatly appreciate any help. Please let the office know or complete the attached slip.

Auction

The organising team are very busy seeking donations for the auction. If you have any business contacts and are able to seek donations or have skills you can offer for auction please contact Kate Simpson or Tracey Winslett. A number of auction items will be sold via a 'Silent Auction'.

White Elephant Stall

Our donations are growing each day for the white elephant stall. If you are having a clean-up and can assist with items please bring them in.

We are collecting items such as: DVDs, books, magazines, games, clothes, household items, toys, sports gear, bric a brac, etc. **Electrical items if they have been tested and tagged.**

Items are being stored in the COLA and can be dropped off at the office at your convenience. If you have any questions please feel free to talk to Samantha Reynolds or Tracey Winslett.

Plant Stall

If you have any plants you have planted up and would like to donate to the school plant stall please see Cheryl Green or let us know at the office.

Country Cooking Stall

Calling for donations of the following items:

Tomatoes Red and Green, Berries (raspberries, strawberries, blueberries), Apricots, Plums, Apples, Onions, Nectarines, Lemons, Jars and Lids.

Any willing cooks? Just contact the office we have stacks of recipes and will do demonstrations too.

Paper Plates coming home!

This week the students will be bringing home a paper plate, plastic bag and tie along with a numbered sticker for each family. We would appreciate if each family could make one or more items for the Country Cooking Stall. Please don't be concerned that everyone will know what you made as the list is kept for the food permit only. Please note that cream may not be used as a filling but is fine to be used as a cooked ingredient. **Plates should be brought to the Country Cooking Stall ON THE DAY.**

Jelly Bean & Banana Guessing Competition



The Jelly Bean and Banana jars will start the rounds of the classrooms each lunch time soon, giving the students an opportunity to take part in the guessing competition.

Students can enter the competition for 20c to guess how many jelly beans or bananas are in the jar. The lucky winner will receive the jar of yummy jelly beans or bananas to enjoy. The winner will be announced 2.00pm at the fair.

Table settings & Gazebos



Once again we will be looking for any outdoor table settings and gazebos that people may be interested in lending the school for the day. If you can help with this please let the office know.

Swimming Carnival



Congratulations to Alice Crump who finished with 2 PB's (personal bests) in the freestyle and backstroke on Friday representing the school.



School Awards

We would like to congratulate and celebrate the success of the following students who received Learners of the Week Awards over the last week.

Prep	Benjamin
Grade 1	Zakary
Grade 2	Patrick
Grade 3	Lachlan V
Grade 4	Jackson S
Grade 5/6C	Kasey
Grade 5/6M	Jackson P

Mathlete of the week

Tegan (Grade 4), Zakary (Grade 1)

Art Award,

Sakea (Grade 1)

Indonesian Award

Jackson P (Grade 5/6M)

PE Award

Lexi (Grade 2)

After School Care Award

Chloe L Grade 4)

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Oxfam Fundraiser

Eressea (mum of Jacob G5 and Sophie G1) is embarking on an epic 100km trailwalk with her team Delirious Wanderers on April 8th-10th to raise awareness and funds for Oxfam.

Oxfam Trailwalker is Australia's original 100km team endurance event in which teams of four tackle 100kms of Australian bush within 48 hours. This will be a challenge in many ways, but team DW is ready to do something epic to fight poverty and injustice throughout the world. With the help of walking poles and an amazing support crew, we are determined to start together, stick together and cross the finish line together!

If you want to read more, or you would like to donate to Oxfam to allow them to continue all the work they do in Australia and around the world, please head to our team page at

<https://trailwalker.oxfam.org.au/my/team/walker/279220>

We are proud to support Oxfam Australia and thank you in advance for supporting our team!



Country Fair Roster- Family Roster



Family Name: _____

TIMES AVAILABLE: (please tick your preferred time to assist)

Set up	<input type="checkbox"/>	10am -11am	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11am - 12noon	<input type="checkbox"/>	12 - 1pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	1pm - 2pm	<input type="checkbox"/>
2pm - 3pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	3pm - 4pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pack up 2.30pm - 4.00pm	<input type="checkbox"/>

Anytime your family can give up is very appreciated.

Please return your slip to the office