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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

"I'd like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet today, the Gunai Kurnai land and pay my respects to elders past, present and emerging as well as any Aboriginal people here with us today"

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
28 Prep JC Swimming note home	29	30 Prep Zoo Excursion	31	Nov 1
4 Report Writing Day No Students required	5 Melbourne Cup Public holiday No students	6 Grade 6 Drug information night. 7.00pm	7 Last day for payment of Prep JC swimming	8 Donut Day forms home
11	12 Prep JC commence swimming	13	14 Last day Uniform shop closing	15 Last day to pay for Grade 6 Graduation
18	19	20	21	22
25 Beleza Sale 20% off	26 Kinder Prep Transition 11.30-1.00	27 Beleza Sale 20% off	28 Last day for Donut Orders	29 Beleza Sale 20% off
2nd Dec	3 Kinder Prep Transition 11.30-1.00 Prep 2020 Parent info Session 6.00-7.00pm	4	5 Donut Day	6
9	10 Kinder Prep Transition 11.30-1.00 Statewide transition	11	12	13
16 Songs at Sunset	17 Grade 6 Graduation	18 Final Assembly 2.20pm	19 Student Free Day	20 End Term 4 1.15 dismissal

A word from Mrs Skee

After an unexpected absence last week due, I was pleased to return to work on Thursday to the exciting news that NEPS had been selected as a finalist in the Latrobe City Garden Awards. Final judging for this occurred this morning, with the following students discussing with the judges what part they played in this work as well as the positive impact these gardens have had on both our students and our school. Xander Lindsay, Lochlan Garven, Hudson Benbow, Emmah Fraser, Cohen Naumann Kobe Weinzettl-Barnett, Bayley Russell David Platschinda, Macy Buhagiar Jordan Shields and Ayla Grbic.

In addition to being shortlisted as a finalist for the Latrobe City garden awards, we have also been recognised as a Regional Award Winner in the Victorian garden awards. A special ceremony will be held on November the 21st at the Royal Botanical Gardens for the distribution of these awards.

Below is a photo of the latest additions to our community herb garden. The objective of the herb garden is for families to pick these herbs as required for their own family meals and recipes. The herb garden includes rosemary, parsley and thyme. A huge thank-you to Mr Pullar for building these bird houses and



supporting the grade 5/6 students in the SHED sessions to add to this display in weeks to come. As well as the excitement of being garden award winners and finalists, many of you will notice that the works on our gym have commenced. This work is due for completion in approximately 4 weeks (watch this space for weekly progress updates!) – See photo below.



The last day for purchases is Thursday 14th November, as we are transitioning to Beleza School wear for 2020.

If you would like to purchase uniform before the close, the uniform shop will be open next week Monday – Thursday at 8.30am -9.00am for sales or alternatively you can fill out an order form with payment and leave it at the office and the order can be filled and given to your child.

With the transitioning this will give parents more access during business hours to purchase uniform together with regular discounts offers to families from Beleza.

Prep 2020 parent information session :

Please note that our prep 2020 Parent Information session will be held on Tuesday the 3rd of December starting at 6pm in the library. Included in this session will be the opportunity to purchase a school chairbag (\$9 each – cash only on the night) as well as **the option** to order a Tupperware lunchbox and drink bottle. Please keep an eye out from a letter from the school that will be sent to ALL prep 2020 parents.

Just a reminder that the School will be Closed on Monday the 4th of November (report writing day) and Tuesday the 5th of November (Melbourne Cup Public Holiday). There will be NO staff in the office on these days.

Important uniform shop announcement:

As some of you may know, valued Educational Support Staff member, Jenny Sullivan, is retiring at the end of the year. Amongst the many things that Mrs Sullivan does around our school is coordinate and attend to our uniform shop. In consultation with school council, the decision has been made to move the sale of our school uniform off site (see uniform news article). I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the work that Mrs Sullivan has done in our uniform shop and the valued service she has provided for many, many families and students.

Uniform News

Dear Parents & Families,
From the Friday 15th November, the NEPS uniforms shop will close.

On world wombat day the preps were lucky



enough to have two wombats, Jack and Jacob, visit for a cuddle”.



ROTARY AWARD

On Monday night, Cooper Hanson, Oscar Hanson, and Noah Parkinson each gave a speech to the Rotary Club of Moe detailing their efforts as part of the Rotary Junior Community Awards.

The RJCA is an international extra-curricula program for Grade 6s focussed on developing skills and understandings related to sustainability and the environment, intercultural capabilities, practical skills, recreation skills, and community service.

Students this year chose to develop their skills in cooking, football, and shooting, challenged themselves to be more physically active, and used initiative in picking up rubbish.

Each of these students has now completed the requirements of the award and will attend an awards night in November with all participating students from the Moe. Well done Oscar, Noah, and Cooper!

Pictured here with Rotary Club of Moe President, Helen Morrison, and Chair of Vocational Service Committee, Maureen Bishop.



WELFARE NEWS

GRADE 6 DRUG INFORMATION NIGHT (Wednesday 6th November at 7pm)

Last week letters went home with all students in grade 6 about a Drug Information Night happening next Wednesday 6th November at 7pm. A reminder to parents if you could please fill out and return the reply slip so numbers can be confirmed with the facilitator. This is a very informative night with lots of facts and education including the challenges that go with peer pressure (a great session for your child to attend prior to commencing secondary school).

This session is only for grade 6 students of NEPS and a guardian **MUST** attend with the

student. The session will run for approximately 1.5 hours. We just ask for a gold coin donation to assist the facilitator with information/copying etc. All slips can be handed to the office or to your child's teacher.

BREAKFAST CLUB DONATIONS

We have been very lucky to have donations to assist us in keeping this wonderful opportunity going.

Some items we are well stocked up with but there are some items that we are in desperate need of. These items are – **Apple Juice, Cream Cheese Spread, Milo and Strawberry/Raspberry Jam**

We also appreciate any donations of **Spray n Wipe, Size Large Latex Free Food Handling Gloves, Cleaning Sponges and Paper Towel.**

This assists us in ensuring we are meeting all hygiene and health & safety requirements. If you would prefer to make a small monetary donation towards breakfast club rather than purchase items please provide this in an envelope with your name and put Breakfast Club donation on the envelope so we ensure it goes to the correct support program.

Thank you so much for assisting us with this where possible.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



If you are able to assist Mrs Prestidge with Breakfast Club on a **Monday and Tuesday** morning or even just one of those days this would be incredibly helpful. We

depend on our helpers to ensure we are able to continue running Breakfast Club.

Sporting Achievement – Congratulations Meg



O'Reilly – 1st in Gippsland for high jump at Regionals.

Green Team Award:

Brodie Bartley & Manix Coppock



Respectful Roo – Bailey Falls



Staff Award – Alex Skinner

BLUE HOUSE WINS HOUSE CUP



STUDENT AWARD WINNERS		
Prep JC Room 10	Cooper Ashton	Showing appreciation by using your manners.
Grade 1 PD Room 5	Ashton Borg	Helping NEPS be a better place by being involved with cleaning up the yard and selling books at the fete.
Grade 1 JH Room 6	Bailey Jones	Working hard and having great behavior all week! Well done very proud of you!
Grade 1 RJ Room 7	Knightly Brooks	Being engaged in his learning and showing a great understanding of faces, edges and corners in 3D shapes.
Grade 2 PF Room 8	Noah Mizzi	For courtesy to your classmates and teachers by always listening when other are speaking
Grade 2 JF Room 9	Kyra Heels	Always keeping her and other work areas tidy. Your help is always appreciated
Grade 3/4 KL Room 2	Yasmine Dickson Cohen Naumann	Consistently demonstrating respectful behavior while on camp, and leading by example through helpful, courteous and thoughtful behavior at all times. Being helpful and considerate at all times while on camp, in particular always volunteering to help out at meals times. Well done and Thankyou!
Grade 3/4 JH Room 3	Tyler Nash Byrne	Showing involvement in school activities by assisting at the fete selling masks.
Grade 5/6 EG Room12	Chanel Akon	Being such a great helper at the fete. Awesome Job!
Grade 5/6 JK Room 15	Cassie Maslen	For her excellent involvement in class discussions.

