



### Calendar



#### March

##### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Working Bee 4pm-6pm

##### Monday 5<sup>th</sup>

MARC Van

##### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>

Photo forms due back at school

##### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

School Photos

##### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>

Athletics (Yr3-6)

##### Monday 19<sup>th</sup>

MARC Van

##### Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Cross Country (Yr 3-6)

##### Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>

Netball Clinic

##### Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>

Last Day Term 1

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## Principal's Report

Hi everyone, I hope you all have had a great week.

As you are aware, the teachers had a curriculum day last week. The focus of the day was around Maths, especially around what they call the 'big ideas' in maths. The key message from this day was that if we focus on making sure students grasp these 'big ideas' as they will provide a better foundation for them to succeed as they move into secondary education. At this stage, we are thinking of planning a maths night for parents and families early next term to start introducing these ideas. We will certainly keep you updated with this.

I have certainly had a busy week this week. I was in Melbourne on Tuesday undertaking a training day around a school review we will be having in term 2. Every school undertakes a school review prior to starting their new strategic plan. The wonderful thing about this process is that you get to work with parents, students, teachers and other people outside of our school to setup the goals and priorities for the next four years. I will certainly keep you updated with this over the coming weeks.



### Connecting to Flexibuzz

I have had a few parents speak to me about connecting to flexibuzz. Please be aware that the class boxes you need to connect to have changed from last year.

You will also need to add a password for your child's classroom box. Please ask your child's teacher to add the password in your child's school diary.

### School council ballot

As you are aware, school ballot papers were sent home at the start of this week. The ballot will close next Monday. I encourage you all to submit your ballot papers asap. Please note, there are 4 positions open, not 3 as stated on the introductory letter.

### Toys at school

We have been having some issues at school involving students and their toys they are bringing from home as they are starting to become a distraction inside the classroom. We understand that toys can encourage social play, for this reason, it is important for you to organise a conversation with your child's teacher if you feel bringing toys would assist your child's development at school. Until then, please avoid your children, bringing toys to school.



Just are reminder our working bee is this **Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4pm – 6pm**. We have a number of jobs we would like to finish before the cooler months set in. Food and drinks will be supplied for all the workers. If you can spare and few hours on this night, we would love for you to help out.

We are looking at moving some mulch and sand around, as well as getting a start on re-staining the front deck.

That is it for this week.

**Shane Sachse**  
**Acting Principal**

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## School Captain's Report



This week across the school students have been working really hard on their learning. Here is a summary of what each class has been doing.



2/3

The 2/3 class have been doing some interesting things in Mappen. They have been learning about healthy foods, like what are good foods to eat and what are bad or sometimes foods. Also in French they have been making posters about France. They have also been doing place value in maths, like knowing where each number goes.

P/1

In the P/1 class they have also been learning about healthy foods in Mappen. They have also been making vegetable men too. They also have a display wall in the learning space opposite Mrs. Gargans room that have pictures of students and staff when they were babies. They have also been learning about numbers in general in maths like counting. They also would like to thank Miss. Pritchard for buying us some new big books. We have been really enjoying them.

4/5

This week In the 4/5 class they have been learning about Roald Dahl and reading the novel 'Witches'. They have had lots of fun making flipbooks in French and learning about their culture. In maths, they have been learning by doing essential assessment. Writing has been fun because they have been writing narratives and doing conference groups to help them improve their writing.

5/6

The 5/6 group have also been doing some interesting things in Mappen. They are currently working on making a fanzine that is a magazine of something they are a fan of. They have also been making flip books in French and learning about their culture. In writing, they have started doing conference groups.

James and Oliva  
School Captains

## Student Achievement Awards

Prep/1

*William Loveday*

*For making good choices and being a great role model*

*Bridget Wood*

*For making good choices and being a great role model*

2/3

*Max Murfitt*

*For great work in reading groups*

*Savannah Thompson*

*For setting reading goals and working hard to reach them*



4/5

*Lilly Parkinson*

*For writing a descriptive narrative story*

*Ella Hearn*

*For her awesome effort with creative and neatly presented homework*

5-6

*Ronan Macauley*

*For his efforts in writing this week*

*Natalie Cochrane*

*For her efforts in writing this week*

OSHC

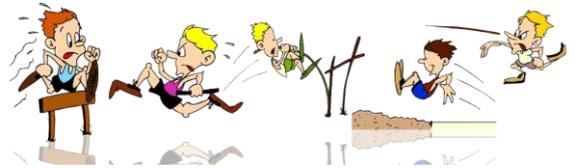
*Matilda Fraser*

*For supporting others*

## School Notice Board and Upcoming Events Notice Board and Upcoming Events

### MVA Athletics Carnival – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Our MVA Athletics is coming up in a couple of weeks. Similar to previous years this event will be held at Goldsworthy Reserve (Corio).



### Golf Putters - Donation

If you have a golf putter lying around at home and you would be interested in donating it to the school, we would love to hear from you.

### Interested in being a parent-helper?

If you would like to assist with the learning program at school as a parent helper, please let the school know.

### Parent Helpers



### School Photos

School photos this term will be held on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March.**



This year we are glad to announce that we will be starting a Meredith Primary School Breakfast Club!

Our first Breakfast Club will be on **Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March from 8:30 - 9:00 am**. All students are welcome to come and enjoy a free breakfast. We will be serving up hot cheese toasties, pikelets and juice. Parents and families are also welcome!

If it's successful, we hope to be able to run breakfast club on a fortnightly or weekly basis for the remainder of the year. We hope to serve up a range of different options including toast, cereals, fresh fruit, bacon and eggs, pancakes and hot chocolate (for those cold winter mornings!)

We would like to thank Momentum Christian Centre from Bannockburn, for offering to run the program and provide all the food.

If there are any parents who would like to be involved with the program please contact me at the school.

Thanks,  
Kate Hill  
Chaplain



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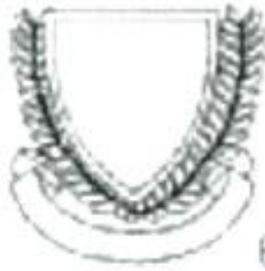
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WANT TO PLAY FOOTBALL, LEARN NEW TRICKS AND HAVE SOME FUN?

**Geelong Rangers FC**  
Myers Reserve, Creamery Road  
Bell Post Hill VIC 3215  
**3rd-6th April 9am-5pm**

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO BOOK A PLACE:  
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# Weekend News



Date 12/2/18

By NATHAN WINTER

School gets new golf course

Meredith Primary School has a new golf course. It came in early February. Mrs Pritchard called the soccer pitch man and he made us an 8 hole golf course. All the students can use the golf course to practice and learn to



play. The students say the golf course is exciting and challenging.



## ANAKIE FOOTBALL AND NETBALL CLUB

Auskick, Under 10's and under 13's

Auskick: March 22 to June 28, 5.00 – 6.00pm.

Sessions not run over school holidays.

Auskick coach: John Tucker 0418 344 603

Junior co-ordinator: Jez Ptacek 0410 187 770

Canteen and Kitchen open 4.30. Bar open from 5pm.





HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAM

Come along to our

# FAMILY FIRST AID

up to date information and knowledge of first aid and safety

March

20th

- Recommended for Parents, grandparents, carers or anyone who cares for children.
- Course covers- CPR for infants and children, choking, allergies and anaphylaxis, burns, safe proofing your home, seizures and febrile convulsions
- This session is delivered by Prudence from PARENTMEDIC

WHEN	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March, 6.30-8.30pm
WHERE	2a Pope Street, Bannockburn – Multipurpose Room
COST	\$30 per person <b>Bookings are essential</b>
BOOKINGS	<p>Follow link to book <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/parentmedic-baby-child-first-aid-public-parentmedic-ambassador-prudence-fletcher-tickets-43586931686">https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/parentmedic-baby-child-first-aid-public-parentmedic-ambassador-prudence-fletcher-tickets-43586931686</a></p> <p>Contact <b>Lyndall Galbraith</b> to obtain a link for booking via email if required  <b>Email:</b> lgalbraith@gplains.vic.gov.au  <b>Phone:</b> 5220 7230  <b>**Babies are welcome**</b></p>

Check out our Events Calendar to stay up-to-date:  
[goldenplains.vic.gov.au/events](http://goldenplains.vic.gov.au/events)

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## **GEELONG**

**TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018**

- TIME:** 9am – 3pm
- AGES:** 7 – 14 year olds
- VENUE:** Kardinia Park Netball Courts,  
Kilgour Street, South Geelong
- COST:** \$80 (per participant)

**BOOK ONLINE:**

[www.juliecorletto.com](http://www.juliecorletto.com)

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL & CLOSE  
08/04/2018 unless sold out prior**

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Meredith 3333

and Community Planning Forum

**Ever wondered about what is available in Meredith?**

Here is your opportunity to find out about  
local sporting & community groups,  
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**Friday 16th March 2018**

**from 6 to 8.30 pm**

**Meredith Community Learning Hub**

**4 Russell St Meredith**

*" It's all about making a  
Connection with your Community"*



**Supper Provided**



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