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Thank you to the School Council, Parents & Friends Association, helpers and staff for their contribution throughout 2018.

Classroom Teacher	s and Gi	rades for 2019	Other Staff	
Miss Britt Kuch	PF	(Pre Foundation)	Mr Chris Malone	Principal
Miss Athalie Brown	FB	(Foundation)	Mr Ewen Jondahl	Assistant Principal
Mrs Jan Staple	FJ	(Foundation)	Mrs Tina Johnston	Business Manager
Miss Alyce Stephenson	FS	(Foundation)	Mrs Simone Morris	Administration
			Mrs Robyn Jones	Administration
Mrs Michele Caldow	JC	(1/2)	Mrs Pauline Vuillermin	Visual Art Teacher
Miss Emily Davie	JD	(1/2)	Ms Di Collins	LOTE Teacher (Japanese)
Miss Emily Lestrange	JL	(1/2)	Mrs Bree Courtney	PE (Prep-Gr 6)
Miss Michelle Meehan	JM	(1/2)	Mrs Cate Clapham	EAL (Network)
Miss Rebecca Plunkett	JP	(1/2)	Mrs Susan Currie	EAL (Network)
Mrs Karen Somerville	JS	(1/2)	Mr Phil Bartlett	Music Teacher
			Mr Martin Burnell	Chaplain
Mr David Hall	MH	(3/4)	Mrs Linda Wilson	Defence School Transition
Mrs Suzy Johnston	MJ	(3/4)		Aide
Mr Rod Smith			Miss Emma-Lee Ross	Library Technician
& Miss Amy Lace	MSL	(3/4)	Mrs Jo Hammill	Education Support
Mrs Karen Tonkin	MT	(3/4)	Mrs Kerry Langshaw	Education Support
			Mrs Linda Brown	Education Support
Mr Ben Chivers	SC	(5/6)	Mrs Deb O'Brien	Education Support
Ms Maree Gleson	SG	(5/6)	Mrs Jackie Dingwall	Education Support
Mrs Janet Love	SL	(5/6)	Miss Jayda Malone	Education Support
Mrs Bree Burgiel		(5/6)	Mr Micheal De Winter	ICT Technician
& Mrs Staci Scott	SBS	(5/6)	Mr Steve Lazzaro	Groundsman

Principal's Report - Chris Malone



Year in Review

2018 has, once again, been a very positive year for the school.

Our dedicated teaching staff have worked tirelessly to prepare and deliver a comprehensive program in the classroom that covers all curriculum areas whilst catering for a variety of needs.

In addition, Sale Primary School has also provided much learning beyond the classroom in 2018 and I am sure students and parents enjoy the opportunities the students have with Specialist

Areas in Music / Art / PE / Languages (Japanese) and Science (in its own learning space).

Of course there are also our Support Staff that work diligently in running our Office, Library and maintaining our school grounds and buildings, as well as supporting our students (School Chaplain & Defence Force School Transition Aide and classroom support).

Our parent involvement continues to support the school and we look forward to this continuing in so many ways in 2019. The dedication of Parents & Friends is astounding and the work School Council does in supporting whole school improvement is also to be recognised.

It should also be noted that the work parents do at home is vital in supporting the school. Ensuring that your child is 'on time' and well organized, assists in the learning process, as does words of encouragement when

they experience success or some difficulties. Resilience is one of our values and we encourage parents to support us at school as we assist students to "Bounce Back" when things don't always go to plan!

This year we underwent a school review and have written a new Strategic Plan for the next 4 years.

Our future focus areas are:

Goal: To optimise student learning achievement and growth.

Key Improvement Strategies (KIS)

- Develop and document an agreed instructional model incorporating high-impact teaching strategies that will build practice
 excellence
- 2. Build staff efficacy and collective accountability for student improvement
- 3. Establish mechanisms for the effective collection and analysis of data that informs teaching to the point of need and monitors and measures student achievement

Goal rationale

If the school adopts an evidence-based instructional model, strengthens collaborative practice, teacher knowledge and the use of data, then student outcomes will improve.

Goal: To build a culture of reflective learning, feedback and agency to engage all students.

Goal rationale

If the school embeds a vision, structures and processes for high quality teaching and learning and student agency, then student engagement and learning outcomes will improve.

Key Improvement Strategies (KIS)

- 1. Create a shared vision, with values, beliefs and actions that enhance student outcomes
- Establish and embed evidence- based structures and processes that drive continuous school improvement and student outcomes
- 3. Develop structures to build instructional and shared leadership across the school
- 4. Develop empowered, engaged and resilient students who take high levels of responsibility for their learning.

Look out 2019 where we will continue the work of embedding the practices outlined in our new Strategic Plan!

We will continue to focus on:

- Student Engagement Challenging Learning; with timely and effective feedback students need to 'wobble' to learn!
- Student Engagement Growth Mindsets that support Learning Confidence
- Student Well-being: Attendance

Staff Farewells

Sadly, at this time of year, we often have to say good-bye to several staff who; for one reason or another, move on and will not return to 545 in 2019. We say good-bye to Miss Jenessa Carvolth, Mrs Lou Sullivan, Mrs Jennaya Smith, Miss Jess Brown and Mr Robert Dorber.

We also thank Yui for all of her amazing efforts this year as our Japanese Assistant. We wish her safe travels back to Japan.

We wish all of these staff members the very best in their future endeavours. They have done a tremendous job and will be sorely missed by students, staff and parents.

New Staff

In 2019 we will welcome Miss Michelle Meehan, Mr David Hall, Mr Phil Bartlett and Miss Emily Lestrange to new teaching roles in 2019 as well as the return of Miss Britt Kuch. We are very excited by the arrival / return of these staff members to 545 and I am sure everyone will make them feel welcome.

Grade 6ers

We also bid farewell and good luck to our Grade 6 students who leave us this week for secondary school. Many of these students have been at 545 for up to 7 years and we thank all of our Grade 6 students and their families for their association with Sale Primary School. Most significantly, I have appreciated the display of leadership by these students in setting positive role models for our younger students. We are confident that their broad learning experiences at Sale Primary School have placed them in good stead for the next part of their learning journey.

Departing Students and Families

Good luck is also extended to the students and their families who will move on to other schools within and beyond Gippsland next year. We thank them for their contributions to Sale Primary School and wish them well at their new schools.

Thank-you Parents & Friends

Thank you to an amazing contribution from a group of dedicated parents and friends who have worked tirelessly throughout the year raising much needed funds, via many fundraising events this year that included; the Garden Party, Special Lunches, Cup Cake and Pie Drives, School Photos, Mother, Father & Special Person Day stalls, School Year Book and School Disco Canteen etc. As a result of this contribution, the school is able to ensure that there are sufficient funds to upgrade much needed resources for the students.

On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank Parents & Friends for their significant contribution to our school.

Uniform Needs - Footwear/Socks/Hats

Our uniform is available for purchase from JSM Embroidery, Workwear and Safety, Macarthur Street, Sale. Preloved uniform will be available via our Parents & Friends later in Term 1. ***PLEASE SEE IMPORTANT NOTE RE DROUGHT RESPONSE PACKAGE FURTHER IN THIS NEWSLINE***

Footwear - Usually in January, parents consider footwear for their children for the following school year. If your child prefers to wear runners – could you please ensure that they are a black colour (with no coloured stripes or trims), otherwise they will be expected to wear black school shoes – as indicated in the school's uniform guidelines. Students are also expected to wear white or grey school socks that cover the ankles. Ankle socks, which often cannot be seen, are NOT part of the 545 uniform.

Hats – Students will be required to wear their 545 hats when we return in Term 1, in line with our Uniform Guidelines.

2019 Closure Days / Parent-Teacher-Student Interviews

The DET require schools to confirm their Closure Days for 2019. School Council have ratified the following Closure Days in 2019:

- Tuesday January 29, 2019
- Grade 1-6 Students will begin the 2019 school year on Wednesday January 30, 2019 (with our new Foundation Students (Prep) starting on Thursday January 31.

Please Note:

The remaining Closure Days for 2019 are as follows:

Tuesday March 12 (staff PD day)

Friday June 7 (staff PD day)

Thursday August 15 (staff PD day)

Monday November 4 (staff PD day)

Parent-Teacher Interviews in Terms One (March) & Three (September) will be confirmed ASAP for 2019.

Swimming Trials, February 2019

Parents are reminded preparations for the 545 Grade 3-6 Swimming Carnival in 2019 begin in the first week of February. Here are some important dates for parents who will have children in grades 3-6 next year to be aware of:

Friday February 1, 2019 -

Grades 3-6 students swimming trials at Aqua Energy outdoor pool

Monday February 18, 2019 – Grades 3-6 House Swimming Carnival at the Sale Aqua Energy outdoor pool 9:30am-2:30pm.

Please consider offering to volunteer to help on these days. Roles include; starter, starter marshalls, finishing marshalls, timers and recorders. Your help at these events will be greatly appreciated and is essential for the carnival being able to go ahead.

Season's Greetings

In conclusion, I would like to wish all members of the Sale Primary School Community, all the very best for the holiday period. I hope that you all have a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year. Enjoy your holidays and we look forward to many of you returning in 2019 for another exciting year at good ol' 545.

DROUGHT RESPONSE PACKAGE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR **ALL** FAMILIES

The Victorian Government has announced a one—off commitment of \$2.2 million to help families in the drought affected local government areas of Wellington and East Gippsland Shires with the cost of uniforms, shoes and other school items (ie school supplies, text books etc).

This support is being made available through State School's Relief (SSR), which has been providing assistance with uniforms to government school students since 1931.

ALL families can choose **ONE** of the following three packages for **each child** at this school

Package 1 – uniform package OR

Package 2 – reduced uniform package, plus \$100 voucher towards essential educational items component of school fees (ie books, pencils, classroom requirements) **OR**

Package 3 – limited uniform package, plus \$200 voucher towards essential educational items component of school fees (ie books, pencils, classroom requirements)

What should ALL families do to access this support?

To make a request for this support, families should review the contents of the packages in the information sheet being sent home with students tomorrow, select the desired package for each student and return the information sheet with the signed request form to school by **Thursday February 7**. A representative from State School Relief will be at our school on Thursday February 7 to assist parents with any questions. New families to our school will receive their information and request forms on their first day of school next year.

THIS IS NOT MEANS TESTED AND
YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO HOLD A HEALTHCARE CARD TO QUALIFY

THIS IS AVAILABLE TO ALL STUDENTS AT SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Families will be advised once the vouchers and packages are ready for collection in 2019

Special Weekly Awards

Special Weekly Awards were presented to these students at assembly on Friday December 14, 2018

Grade	Name	Reason		
FGS Constance		For all her wonderful learning growth this year		
С	Cooper	For all he has achieved through consistent effort		
	Tate	For such a wonderful effort with writing a Christmas Story		
L	Aneika	For her amazing growth in learning whilst at 545		
	Logan	For his consistent green behaviour and learning growth this year		
	Ethan	For his recount writing about the Christmas Concert		
FSB Xavier Tannah	Xavier	For the great effort he is showing when writing		
	Tannah	For the excellent thinking he shows when reading		
	Rick	For the great resilience he has shown this year		
Harris	Harris	For the fantastic attitude he shows towards all aspects of school and the amazing growth he		
		has made this year		
IJ	The Whole Grade	For being such wonderful students this year		
	Oscar	For using great leadership skills		
	Kiah	For writing a great limerick about a magical elf		
	Emily	For writing a great limerick about a magical elf		
ML Se	Seb	For his innovative design for a new sleigh for santa		
	Abby	For willingly taking on feedback to improve her learning		
MS	Richard	For his great report on the Tasmanian Devil		
	Bryden	For always putting 100% into his learning		
	Knox	For his interesting report on the Goshawk		
	Hayley	For always trying her best with her learning		
	Jaiden	For his informative report about the wedge-tailed eagle		
	Hunter r	For being a great help and fixing things for Mr Smith		
MT	Riley	For coming equal 1 st in our santa t-shirt competition		
	Esther	For coming equal 1 st in our santa t-shirt competition		
SG	Jasmin	For her conscientious approach to the Christmas Project		
	Katelyn	For her conscientious approach to the Christmas Project		

This week's weekly award winners

Playground Award Winners Zara, Jack, Matilda and Sienna

Congratulations 545 Panthers on finishing top of the ladder in the recent Twilight Soccer Competition!

Congratulations to the 2018
Graduating Class



Holiday Dates 2019

Wednesday January 23 School Office opens today

Thursday January 24
School Office open

Friday January 25School Office open

Saturday January 26 CLOSED

Sunday January 27 CLOSED

Monday January 28 CLOSED Australia Day Public Holiday

Tuesday January 29
All staff at school

Wednesday January 30
Grades 1-6 students commence today

Thursday January 31 Foundation (prep) students commence today

The staff, members of School Council and Parents & Friends wish everyone a safe, happy festive season and holidays.

