

NEWSLINE

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2017

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OUR SCHOOL VALUES

RESPECT, HONESTY, ENJOYMENT, RESILIENCE & SUCCESS

Dates to Remember

November

Wednesday November 22

- 2pm-3.15pm 2018 Prep Orientation Session

Friday November 24

- No 'out of town' buses running today
- 7pm-9pm JSC School Disco (see flyer in this Newsline)

December

Tuesday December 5

- 11am Thank You Morning Tea

Wednesday December 6

- Cupcake Day

Thursday December 7

- Grade 6 Graduation

Friday December 8

- Last canteen day for 2017

Monday December 11

- 2018 Grades announced
- Christmas Concert in the Park

Tuesday December 12

- 7pm Parents & Friends Christmas Dinner

Friday December 15

- Transition Day – students in their 2018 grades
- 11.30am-1.00pm 2018 Prep Orientation Session

Thursday December 21

- Last day of Term 4 for students – 3.30pm dismissal

Friday December 22

- Last day of Term 4 for staff

January 2018

Wednesday January 31

- First day of school for Grades 1-6 students

February 2018

Thursday February 1

- First day of school for Prep students

Monday February 12

- 2pm Parents & Friends Annual Reporting Meeting

PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2018 NOW OPEN

Whole School Assembly 8.50am every Monday

School Banking – every Monday

Uniform Shop Open Tuesday & Wednesday 8.30am-9.15am

Principal's Report – Brad Evans

End of Year Celebrations

As we near the end of the year, we will celebrate with a series of special events.

These include (but are not limited to):

- **Tuesday December 5:** Thank-you

Morning Tea for parents who have assisted throughout the year.

- **Thursday December 7:** Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony
- **Monday December 11:** Christmas Concert in Victoria Park

I am sure everyone is looking forward to these events in particular.

Mr E and Mr Chivers/Miss Kuch Walking Buses

To ensure the many benefits achieved from Walk to School Month (October), Mr Chivers & Miss Kuch and myself are keen to continue walking to school with parents and students.

Given we are entering the hectic time of the year, we have arranged for the Walking Buses to operate on Fridays only until the end of the year.

This means Mr. E's Bus departs the corner of Montgomery and Patten Streets at 8:00 am each Friday collecting passengers, up Montgomery, along Guthridge Parade, into Foster, Palmerston and Macalister. ***please note that Mr E's bus will not operate this Friday November 24, so will therefore recommence on Friday December 1.*

Mr Chivers/Miss Kuch bus will depart at 8am from the corner of Glebe Drive and Woondella Boulevard this Friday and every Friday for the rest of the term.

Mr Jondahl (and Nala)'s bus WILL NOT be operating for the remainder of the year.

As the Walking School Bus operation is weather dependant, please make sure that you check the Skoolbag app on Friday mornings to confirm the bus' operation.

All aboard!

2017 School Fees

As we near the end of the school year, any families with outstanding school fees are asked to please finalise their accounts by the end of this month.

If there are any concerns in doing so, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or the office staff.

Prep Orientation & Transition

Last week saw the second of the Orientation Days for our 2018 Foundation students (Preps). Their third session will be tomorrow **Wednesday November 22** at 2:00 – 3:15! These will continue throughout November as we prepare these students for school life in 2018.

As a further commitment in supporting student transition into 2018, we will also be having two transition sessions for all other current students on **Monday December 11** (2018 Grades announced) and **Friday December 15** where students will be in their 2018 classrooms with their 2018 teacher/s.



School Supervision: Children are supervised between the hours of 8.45am and 3.45pm.

2018 Grade Allocations

In 2018, the schools enrolments will increase slightly. As such, planning for 2018 classes is well underway with the following plans in place:

- 5 Prep classes (including one modified program)
- 5 Junior School classes
- 4 Middle School classes
- 4 Senior School classes

2018 Planning

To assist in our planning, we would appreciate being notified immediately of any of the following situations:

- New enrolments (2018 Foundation and other levels) – if you know of any new enrolments, please notify the Office.
- Transfers Out – if you are not returning to 545 in 2018 (Grade 6ers excluded), please notify the Office of your impending departure.
- If you have any specific parental requests for Grade Placements in 2018, please notify the Principal (in writing), no later than THIS **Friday November 24**. Whilst there are no guarantees, all reasonable requests will be considered but parents are reminded that requests are not to take on the topic of “choosing a specific teacher”.

Be part of 545's History - Commemorative Plaques

An opportunity exists again this year for former and existing members of our school community who would like to support the school and leave their mark on history.

In partnership with Gippsland Trophy House, brick mounted plaques will be created and secured on our established feature wall to permanently preserve your involvement at the school.

Cost -: **\$50 per plaque.**

Plaques dimensions are: 150mm X 60mm (inclusive of a maximum of **18 Characters including spacing X 2 Rows**)

E.G.:

				B	R	A	D		E	V	A	N	S				
				P	R	I	N	C	I	P	A	L					

Orders forms have been made available with this week's Newsline and will remain so until the end of November for production in early December allowing for the plaques for this year to be mounted before the end of the school year. Additional order forms are also available from the Main Office.

Orders are now on sale and will close on Thursday November 30. Please note: No late orders can be accepted after this date.

Message for Out of Town Bus Travellers

Parents of out of town bus travellers will need to make alternative arrangements for their children to get to and from school THIS **Friday November 24** as out of town buses are not running on this day.

Parents & Friends News

Miranda Peverill

Next Parents & Friends Meeting

The next Parents and Friends Meeting will be held on **Monday February 12, 2018 at 2pm**. This will be the Parents & Friends Annual Reporting Meeting. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Cupcake Day

Parents & Friends will be holding a Cupcake Day on Wednesday December 6. More information to come shortly.

Term 4 Canteen Price List and Roster

The canteen will be open on Wednesday and Friday from 1pm- 1.30pm for snacks only. The price list and roster are as follows:

Canteen term 4 2017	
Price List	
• Lemonade Icy pole	\$1.00
• Icy Stick	60 cents
• Frozen Yogurt	\$1.30
• Frozen Prima	\$2
• Salt n Vinegar Delites	60 cents
• Popcorn	60 cents

Friday December 8 will be the last day the canteen is in operation for 2018.

Canteen Roster

Wed 22	Mel Wilson, Melissa Wain
Fri 24	Kelly Daymond, Bianca Horder
Wed 29	Amber Weaver Smith, Nick Wilson
December	
Fri 1	Lotje McDonald, Helen Holliday
Wed 6 **	Mel Wilson, Kelly Daymond
Fri 8	Myra Lindrea, Stephen Hartley

Canteen Helpers are needed 1pm-1.45pm
** Special lunch Day (11.30am-1.45pm)

Term 4 Swimming Program

TERM 4 - SWIMMING TIMES AND GRADES:			
Grade/s	Depart 545	Swim	Depart Pool
GROUP 1: PGS & SC	9:10	9:20 - 10:00	10:20
GROUP 2: PN & SD	9:50	10:00 - 10:40	11:00
GROUP 3: PS & SL	10:40	10:50 - 11:30	11:50
GROUP 4: PBP & SJ	11:20	11:30 - 12:10	12:30



Japanese News

Di Collins

Japanese Word of the Week

Can I please go to the toilet?

トイレに いても いい ですか

toire ni itte mo ii desu ka.

Last week we learnt that

いいですか

means Is it OK?

This phrase also comes at the end of a sentence when you are asking for permission.

Special Weekly Awards

Special Weekly Awards were presented to these students at assembly on Monday November 20, 2017

Grade	Name	Reason
PBP	Emily	For her fantastic counting strategies
	Ethan	For his fantastic counting strategies
PGS	Brax	For being able to write using his growing letter sound knowledge
	Tannah	For his wonderful growth in letter – sound knowledge
JC	Vanessa	For being a fantastic helper in class
	Armarni	For always completing her work to a high standard
	Charlie	For the effort he has been putting into developing arguments with supporting evidence for persuasive writing
JJ	Ashton	For his persistence when working out the change given in money problems
	Harry	For his wonderful improvement with spelling high frequency words
JP	Isabelle	For her fantastic leadership when performing a puppet show on 'Wombat Stew'
ML	Bonnie	For the great improvement she showed in writing a procedural text on 'how to draw a cat'
	Max	For willingly seeking feedback on his learning and acting on suggestions made
	Lachlan	For applying himself so well when learning about fractions
MS	Lilli	For her creative and thoughtful procedural text 'How to Miss Someone'
MT	Emma	For the great improvement on the structure of her procedure on 'how to make a pizza'
	Ava	For the excellent effort she placed into her procedure on 'how to brush your teeth'
SC	Taylor	For her convincing argument on why 'everyone must play an hour of sport a day'
	Miller	For his positive approach to all aspects of his learning
SG	James	For outstanding growth in his learning about fractions, decimals and percentages
	Seth	For demonstrating excellent growth during the fractions, decimals and percentages units
	Kobe	For having stellar results after his learning about fractions, decimals and percentages
SJ	Amber	For her consistent growth and improvement during the fractions, decimals and percentages unit
	Georgia	For her mature approach to supporting her peers
	Ben	For his resilience and practising a growth mindset at swimming
	Noah	For practising his growth mindset when attempting spelling unfamiliar words and experiencing great improvement

This week's weekly award winners

Timothy Bristow

creator of
Billy The Brilliant
+
I'm The Best!

The Author

Timothy is an innovative and passionate child educator. His writing is imaginative, engaging and analyses the adventures of being a kid in a playful, yet sensitive manner.

Timothy is a primary school teacher working + writing in Western Australia and is unique to this field as he also plays Australian Rules Football at state level for WAFL club - East Fremantle Sharks. This, along side his teaching and writing makes him one very busy role model for our youth today. 'Billy The Brilliant' and 'I'm The Best' are the first of many adventures of Billy, a character that resembles the author himself.

The Stories

Story telling is a gift which keeps giving. The imagery and relatable nurturance that the team at JustZeusBooks bring, with each tale, is magical. Both stories are aimed for audiences, great and small, and encourage all to delve into their own imagination and create a little magic of their own.

'I'm The Best' is a tale which encompasses all that is great and not so great about siblings. Billy and his brother James do everything together, and although they cannot agree on everything, their love of fun, friendship and their grandad inspires all readers to reminisce about their own childhood antics with a brother or sister.

'Billy The Brilliant' explores the hardships that each of us face at some point in our lives and restores three main values in all readers, of all ages.

Ambition: Each of us should strive to reach for the stars and dream big. Having a goal is what keeps us grounded, driven and dedicated to being the best version of ourselves.

Determination: Without determination, dreams cannot be achieved. Striving for greatness through hard work and going for what you want is an essential step in gaining the reward of achievement.

Resilience: A "speed bump" is bound to happen when on your journey at some point. Going through hardship is what makes the reward of achieving that much sweeter. Without resilience, ambition is merely a dream without motivation.

The ability to push through adversity is a true testament to character and Billy is a model individual for every reader to base his or her dreams upon; there's a little bit of Billy in everyone. Like his writings, Timothy speaks with passion, sensitivity and quirky wisdom.

Drawing on his own childhood experiences and the day-to-day stories encompassed with our youth, Timothy puts life into perspective and urges even the most cynical onlooker that magic is real and all of us can create it in our own lives.

Set Up A Visit

If your school/library/bookshop would like to set up an Author's Visit please visit www.justzeusbooks.com.au and complete the contact form or email justzeusbooks@gmail.com.

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Billy The Brilliant



JustZeusBooks

This Week's Playground Award Winners were Ethan, Rubi and Caetlyn (not pictured)

Timothy will be visiting our school to speak with students on Thursday December 14

Thank You to the Petrovic Family for their kind donation of PlayStation 2 Games following the article in last week's Newline.

WHY FINISHING 4TH BEATS WINNING

20 NOV: BY MICHAEL GROSE

Winning is great!

We love it when our kids win a game or a race.

It's great to see their faces light up when they win.

Winning is a good feeling.

Winning means they're doing well. It's equated with *success*.

It's a good habit to develop.

..... *or so the theory goes.*

I beg to differ.

Winning is just one story.

Not winning carries emotion, but it's not necessarily positive. Kids usually experience disappointment, annoyance and frustration – all unpleasant emotions.

But it's good for children and young people to experience unpleasant feelings from time to time.

It's good to learn that bad feelings happen, but they don't last. That things don't always go your way. This is a huge life lesson.

Not winning also teaches kids to link success with effort. It teaches them that *perseverance* pays off eventually.

Helping kids accept setbacks and unpleasant emotions rather than block them out is the key to building their *resilience*.

What about the child who never wins?

Some children seem to never win, or hardly ever do. One of my kids always seemed to have 4th place sewn up in any race – just missing a ribbon – except if he was trying to get into a four person relay team. He'd usually finish 5th.

As a caring parent it was hard work keeping his chin up year after year. But that's what you have to do.

He eventually stopped doing some of the activities where he struggled in, replacing them with school subjects, sports and activities that more suited his interests and abilities.

But not before he learned the *value of struggle*.

As an adult he can now articulate the disappointment he felt coming close but never quite hitting the winner's circle; but he can see the value of hanging in there long after others gave up. That's possibly due in part to temperament, but I suspect in part due to some valuable lessons from not winning, or coming close, when he was young.

He knows persistence is one of his strongest assets.

So if you have a child who continually comes 4th (figuratively as well as literally) here are some strategies you can focus on:

- **Encourage liberally:** Stanford University professor Carol Dweck (who has written a great deal about this very topic) encourages parents to use **process praise** ("you used smart strategies", "you worked hard on that one", "you thought long and hard to work that problem out."). She says this helps kids value effort and work for longer-term results.
- **Focus on struggles, not just on victories:** Your focus as a parent reveals your values. If you value effort and struggle then you need to be on the lookout for these so you can applaud them. If winning is all you value, then you'll focus on that. There is a **choice**.
- **Share stories of struggle and overcoming adversity:** Whether it's stories from your own life (kids love to hear when their parents struggled) or stories from news, public or sporting life, inspire and encourage kids with the narratives of the struggles of others.

It's easy as a parent to get caught in the winning trap. We sometimes just get carried along with the hype. But maybe finishing 4th is better for kids in the long-term than always being a winner.





FREE

COMMUNITY FUN DAY

SUNDAY DECEMBER 3

10AM-3PM

SALE BAPTIST CHURCH

PRINCES HIGHWAY

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Christmas Light Family Fun Night

Saturday 9th December 2017, 8pm-11pm

356 Three Chain Road Maffra



Santa visiting

Christmas Lights

Free Face Painting

Sausage Sizzle + drinks for sale

BTDT Coffee Van on site

Christmas Carols

All proceeds donated to *beyondblue*



Plus the Christmas Lights are on every night

from 1st-26th December, from 8pm-11pm!



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Display—356 Three
Chain Rd, Maffra

