

NEWSROUND

Principals Message

Wow, what an awesome week we have had. It started with a great night at the Mooroopna Pizzeria and Wine Bar and finished with an amazing trip to FunFields Waterpark in Whittlesea.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELL DONE

A huge congratulations to the following students who took home awards on Monday Night. It was amazing to see the students behaviour and how well they were able to concentrate and be respectful of the facilities. Well Done everyone! Below are the award recipients from the night:

Specialist Awards: *Miss Cowan's Art Award:* Ruby Madill & Melanie Handley

Miss Smith's Library Award: Lilli Blake & Toby Breen

Reading Awards: Lilli Blake, Harry Barker, Tyran Miller, Kydan Miller, Brock Davis

Numeracy Award: Lennix Ponting, Lilli Blake, Izzy Barker, Beau Lummas, Toby Breen, Jaiden Benajmin, Kaileb Miller

Science Award: Liam Trevena, Jodie Handley

Music Award: Jedd Loffel, Tiearne Flint

Humanities Award: Zayne Crespan, Charlie Ralph, Trent Benjamin

Storywriters Award: Harry Barker, Connor Barker, Melanie Handley

Friendship Award: Oliver Webb, Jayden Young, Tayler Lummas, Izzy Barker, Toby Breen

Good Sport Award: Jedd Loffel, Brad Handley

Principal's Helper Award: Lennix Ponting, Izzy Barker

Attendance Awards: 85%-90% - *Bronze:* Jayden Young, Tyran Miller

90%-95% - *Silver:* Liam Trevena, Tayler Lummas, Jamie-Lea Lummas, Jedd Loffel, Beau Lummas, Brad Handley, Connor Barker and Mealnie Handley

95+% - *Gold:* Lilli Blake, Harry Barker, Izzy Barker, Tiearne Flint, Jodie Handley, Trent Benjamin, Toby Breen.

99+% - *Gold:* Kydan Miller

Koorie Student of the Year: Jedd Loffel and Izzy Barker

School Values Awards: *'Be Safe'* - Jamie-Lea Lummas and Kydan Miller

'Be Respectful' - Ruby Madill and Toby Breen

'Be A Learner' - Aleeah Crespan and Jodie Handley

Respectful Relationships Award: Melanie Handley

Junior Citizen of the Year Award: Lilli Blake

Senior Citizen of the Year Award: Toby Breen

Congratulations again to all the students on winning the awards that they were all able to take home on Monday! It was great to see so many students receiving great awards.

UNRETURNED BOOKS FOR MARC LIBRARY

The following students have to return their overdue library books before the end of year. Please see the list below:

Izzy Barker - *Where's Wally? The Wonder Book* **Kydan Miller** - *Pokemon: All Fired Up* **Lennix Ponting** - *Big Pet Day*.

Happy Weekend to you all.

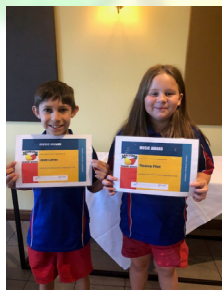
Ms. Jean Varty



Pictures from our Awards Night!



Junior Citizen of the Year: Lilli Blake
Senior Citizen of the Year: Toby Breen
 And their Classroom Teachers, Mrs. Sciuto and Mr. Tunks



Kaileb Miller (Gr.6) won the Rotary Club Quiet Achiever Award



Melanie Handley (Gr.6) won the Respectful Relationship Award from Leading Senior Constable Dean Lloyd.



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Awards

Principal's Award!



Congratulations to all the staff this week. It was awesome to see at the start of the week as they were able to make the Awards Night run so smoothly. Also, all the staff in the past couple of weeks have been working super hard behind the scenes to make sure that all is in readiness for the 2019 school year, while being firmly grounded in 2018.

Thank you very much to this magnificent team for the great job that they do week in week out!

Stars of the Week!

For reflecting one of our school values- Be Respectful. Izzy is always respectful to other students and also staff, she has excellent manners and sets a great example for her peers. Keep up the fantastic work Izzy!



Izzy BARKER

(4-6)

Taylor LUMMAS (P-3)

Taylor has been reflecting one of the school values throughout this week in being respectful to staff and students. She has been showing some awesome behaviour. Keep up the great work Taylor!



Prep Enrolments for 2019.

We are currently accepting enrolments for the 2019 School Year. There are information packs at the front office. If you have a Prep for 2019, or know someone who does please don't hesitate to contact the office on Wednesday's or Friday Mornings to arrange to collect a pick up of the Enrolment Pack. Also please pass this information on to any interested families you might know.



Classroom News:

Grade P-3:

This week in the Prep - 3 room students have been working hard on their reading, writing and numeracy. They have been working really hard on procedural writing. They have been loving the numeracy activities that have encouraged team work and collaboration. Students are showing great growth in their confidence towards learning. They have also been practicing really hard for their end of year concert, next Thursday.

Just a reminder to read with your child/children every night and please make sure that they return their readers to school every morning.

- Mrs. Sciuto



Grade 4-6:

Wow how fast has the year gone? We are already into the second last week of the year! In literacy we have been looking at information reports and students have been doing some fact finding about owls. In numeracy we have been continuing on looking at place value.

On Friday last week we were lucky enough to have Leading Senior Constable Dean Lloyd visit our class who spoke to the students about the recruitment process of the Victorian Police, the ranking system of the Victorian police and also answered some great questions asked by our students.

After his visit, Dean then went to the One FM radio station in Shepparton where he has interviewed and gave our school a great recommendation and commented on how fantastic the students look in their uniforms.

- Mr. Zunks



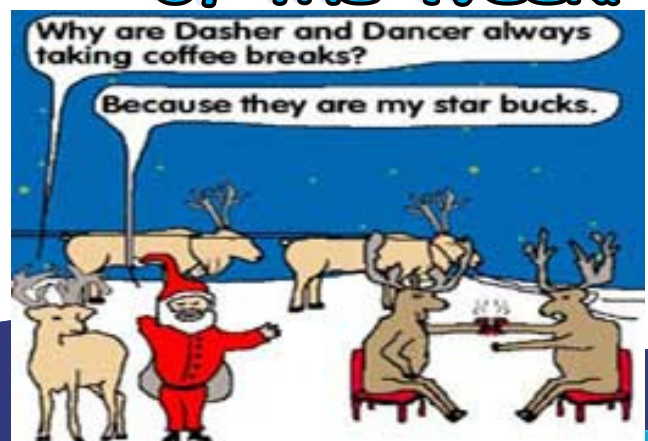
Principals

Christmas Joke
of the Week!

WRONG
is **WRONG**,
even if everyone
is doing it.

RIGHT
is **RIGHT**,
even if no one
is doing it.

Respect
Quote of the
Week!



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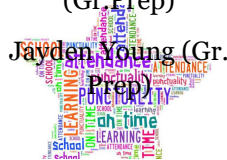


ROAR' AWARDS

ROAR stands for "Recognising Outstanding Attendance Rewards" and we are weekly going to be congratulating students who receive have 100% attendance for the week prior:

For the week of **6th December to 12th December**, the following students obtained 100% attendance:

 KEEP CALM AND Get Perfect Attendance	Lilli Blake (Gr.2)	Lennix Ponting (Gr.2)	Izzy Barker (Gr.4)	Kaileb Miller (Gr.6)
	Aleeah Crespan (Gr.Prep)	Liam Trevena (Gr.Prep)	Trent Benjamin (Gr.6)	Kydan Miller (Gr.4)
	Jedd Loffel (Gr.3)	Oliver Webb (Gr.Prep)	Toby Breen (Gr.6)	
	Jamie-Lea Lummas (Gr.3)	Jayden Young (Gr. Prep)	Tiearne Flint (Gr.4)	
	Ruby Madill (Gr.3)		Jodie Handley (Gr.5)	
	Tyran Miller (Gr.3)		Melanie Handley (Gr.6)	
			Beau Lummas (Gr.4)	



Congratulations to the above students and keep up the good work in making sure you are getting to school!

IN THE COMMUNITY...



Blue Light

Tatura XMAS Blue Light Disco

FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER

6-9PM | 6 TO 13 YEAR OLDS | FREE ENTRY

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January 2019 Holiday Programs

3D Spinning Balloons
Ages 5+
Make one of these colourful balloons to hang up at home.
Shepparton Library
Tues 8 January, 10.30am
Mooroopna Library
Thurs 24 January, 10.30am

Moving Paper Fish
Ages 5+
Come along and learn how to make this fantastic looking fish!
Shepparton Library
Tues 15 January, 10.30am

Bubble Wrap Creations
Ages 5+
What can you make with leftover bubble wrap? We'll have some suggestions, so come along and let's find out.
Shepparton Library
Tues 22 January, 10.30am

Simple Science
Ages 6+
Bookings essential
Calling all the mad scientists! Come along and have some fun with more simple science experiments.
Tatura Library
Tues 8 January, 3.00pm
Tues 15 January, 3.00pm

Craft on Tap
Available throughout the school holidays...
Parents or carers need to accompany children under 10 years as these are not supervised programs.

Peg Piranhas
These Piranhas will eat anything they can fit their mouths around!
Tatura Library

Holiday Bucket List
Create your ultimate holiday bucket list.
Mooroopna Library
Shepparton Library
Tatura Library

Rockin' Birds
Choose your colour combinations and start making some rockin' birds. Get creative and let's see how you customise yours...
Shepparton Library
Mooroopna Library

For bookings or more info ring 1300 374 765 or email gvrhc@gvrhc.vic.gov.au

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Same-Day Notification of Unexplained Student Absences

Fact Sheet for Parents/Carers

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify their school as soon as possible **on the day of absence** using one of the following methods:

Online: log the absence directly using your school's IT platform.

Telephone: the school office and let the staff know your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Email: the school and provide the staff with your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

Why do I need to notify the school if my child is absent?

Schools need to know when and why a child is absent and you need to know if your child isn't at school.

From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why, the absence will be marked as unexplained.

This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.

What is your responsibility?

You are legally required to ensure your child attends school every day or you must provide an explanation for their absence. You should let the school know in advance of any upcoming absences or let them know in the morning if your child won't be at school. In order for schools to implement the same day notification requirement, it's essential that you provide the school with your most up-to-date contact details.

Generally one notification will be sent per family. Should there be circumstances that require both parents and carers to be notified, please contact the school to make the necessary arrangements.

What is the school's responsibility?

The school must notify you of an unexplained absence in relation to your child as soon as practicable on the same day.

Schools will let you know either by your school's online communications app, SMS, phone call or email. If you can't be reached because the school does not have your correct contact details (i.e. changed phone number, SMS/email failure notification received etc.), the school will attempt to make contact with any emergency contact/s nominated on your child's file held by the school. Where possible, this contact will be made on the same day of the unexplained absence.

Where can I learn more about the process for managing student absences?

Ask your school for a copy of the *Attendance Policy* which outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences. Check www.ardmonaps.vic.edu.au/policies for further details.



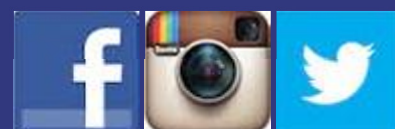
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SHEPPARTON EDUCATION PLAN

UPDATE FOR SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

As we work to provide you with ongoing information regarding the Shepparton Education Plan, we have welcomed your feedback and aim to listen to all your concerns. The information below aims to cover the most common enquiries we have received since releasing the Master Plan for the new secondary school.

Site selection

The Shepparton High School site was selected as the best location for the new secondary school, to be created by merging the four existing secondary schools. This follows a comprehensive assessment by independent property consultants. The property consultants took into account a number of factors when considering possible locations, including:

- * public transport
- * centrality and equity of travel for students
- * easy walking distance to Latrobe University and GOTAFE
- * size of school grounds
- * flood overlay

Given this school will provide for the Greater Shepparton community, it is important that a wide range of relevant criteria were reviewed for the selection of the site. As a result, Shepparton High was the best choice. It will ensure that maximum funding will go toward providing state-of-the-art facilities rather than being depleted by remediation works.

Details about the Shepparton High School site

Space

We intend to introduce a 'house' system so students have smaller and supportive learning environments alongside all of the resource and broader curriculum benefits of a larger school. The school will have nine houses of approximately 300 students each structured into three 'neighbourhoods', each with three 'houses'.

Structurally, the neighbourhoods and houses will be multi-storey buildings that include classrooms, breakout learning zones and specialist areas.

The site is designed to accommodate the students currently attending the four schools while allowing room for expected growth.

Outdoor space

The school design will provide significant outdoor space for students, from large ovals and hard courts to smaller garden and landscaped areas.

Specifically regarding sporting and recreational facilities, Shepparton High has an existing oval, however future work is intended to create an additional recreational space at Ford Reserve.

Traffic & public transport options

A draft traffic management plan has been developed and discussions are continuing with Greater Shepparton City Council to address traffic management requirements and ensure that students and parents are able to move easily to and from the new site.

Access to public transport for students will be made easier through the an intended bus interchange that will be located at Hawdon Street.

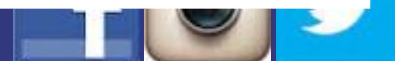
The [VSBA website](#) will also be updated regularly regarding plans for the new Shepparton Secondary College as we progress.

Best regards

Cord Sadler

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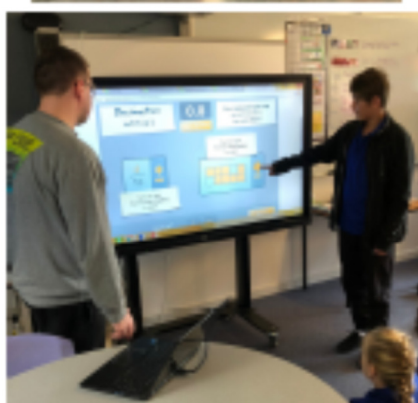
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