SCHOOL VALUES

- Care and Compassion – Care for self and others
- Honesty and Trustworthiness – Be honest, sincere and seek the truth
- Respect – Treat others with consideration and regard: respect another person’s point of view
- Responsibility—Be accountable for one’s own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non violent and peaceful ways; contribute to society and civic life, take care of the environment

Principal’s Report

PARENTLINE—Parenting is not always easy. From time to time, all families can benefit from extra support. Parentline is a Department service which began in 1998. It provides information, support, and referral services to parents from 8am to midnight seven days a week. Whether you’re struggling with everyday tasks, or simply wish to discuss parenting ideas, Parentline is a valuable source of counselling and assistance. The qualified and experienced social workers and psychologists who staff the service answer approximately 13,000 calls per year from parents from all backgrounds looking for support and advice. They will work with you to better understand your relationships and personal situations to help you to develop strategies which are tailored to your individual needs. Parenting is challenging, but Parentline can help you to develop positive coping strategies, allowing you more freedom time enjoy your time with your children. You can ring Parentline on 13 22 89.

SFO FORMS—A letter to all families was sent out last Tuesday explaining the change to EMA and the process used to determine the school SFO (Student Family Occupation). All families are asked to complete the SFO form attached to that letter and return it to school ASAP. It is vitally important that parents put their current occupation down not what they used to do or are trained/educated to do. For example if you are a qualified nurse but are currently a stay at home mum then you need to put down that you are a stay at home mum. If you need further clarification around this or need help filling out the form please don’t hesitate to speak to myself or Marie at school.

END OF YEAR CONCERT/COMMUNITY NIGHT - Organisation and rehearsals are well underway for our school performance at the Community Night on Friday 12th December. Students have been working closely with our drama/music teacher, Roxanne Tonzing to ensure a very entertaining show will be on offer. Please note that the Community Night will commence at 5pm this year with the End of Year Concert and celebrations kicking off at 5.30pm. A community tea will follow at around 6.30pm. Further details will be provided closer to the night.

BSE CINDERELLA PERFORMANCE—We are very lucky to be offered premium seats at Bendigo South East Secondary College’s Matinee Performance of RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN’S Cinderella. This excursion will take place on Wednesday, 19th November between 11am and 1.30pm. All students will attend and permission is covered under the Local Excursions Permission Forms. There is no charge for this excursion as the school is covering all entry and bus costs. This is a special treat for our students and hopefully we will see some past students performing on stage.

END OF YEAR ECHUCA EXCURSION—The whole school will be travelling to Echuca on Thursday 4th December for an end of year excursion. This excursion will take place during school hours and is a celebration of the school year and a special treat for our Chinese students who we say farewell to on Friday 5th December. There is NO COST to families for this excursion due to a couple of wonderful donations we have received and the school very generously covering the majority of the costs. Students will be provided with a picnic lunch in Echuca, have a Paddle Steamer ride down the Murray River and wander through the Historic Port of Echuca. Specific details for this excursion will be sent home closer to the date.
CYBER SECURITY AND SAFETY
Being online has become an essential part of everyday life, especially for kids. While being online offers so many benefits for adults and children for example; socialising, banking, shopping and education, it is important to stay safe and secure online.

The Stay Smart Online website has been designed to help internet users protect themselves online, hosting cyber safety and security information and tools to help keep you and your kids safe online.

Featured on Stay Smart Online
- Budd:e is an interactive educational package for primary and secondary school featuring a fun (and award winning game) to help students adopt safe and secure online behaviours and practices. It also has resources for teachers and parents.
- The Easy Guide to Socialising Online brings together information about popular social networking sites, including safe use and how to report problems, in a way that's easily accessible for young people.
- The Cyber Safety Help Button enables users to take control of their online environment with information on how to deal with cyber safety issues, easy to access support services and direct reporting links. The Cyber Safety Help Button can be downloaded at www.dbcde.gov.au/helpbutton.
- All these resources and more can be found on the Kids and Teens page of Stay Smart Online at http://www.staysmartonline.gov.au/kids_and_teens_resources.
- There are also resources for adults, accessible from the home page of Stay Smart Online (www.staysmartonline.gov.au) including ten simple tips for staying safe and secure online, a topical blog, and a free subscription service with the latest information on computer network threats in simple and easy to understand language.

All grade 4-6 students will be taking part in a Cybersmart Virtual Classroom session on Thursday morning around Cyberbullying presented by the Department of Education & Early Childhood Development.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS—Just a reminder that all 2014 school accounts need to be finalised by the end of November to ensure all accounting is completed for the end of year roll over. Thank you to families who have already finalised their account - if you have not, it would be appreciate if you could do so as soon as possible. If you wish to discuss your account or organise a payment plan, please see myself or Marie. Banking Details below (please add your name)

Commonwealth Bank—Eppalock Primary School Council Official Account
BSB 063-506 Account Number 10152204

SWIMMING PROGRAM 2014
Tuesday 18th November lesson commencing at 1.00 pm
Tuesday 25th November lesson commencing at 1.00 pm

ORIENTATION PROGRAM DATES FOR 2015 PREPS
Visit 1; Thursday 13th November - 11.30am-1.00pm
Visit 2; Wednesday 19th November - 9.30am-11.00am
Visit 3; Monday 24th November - 10.00am-11.30am
Visit 4; Tuesday December 9th – 9.00 am – 11.30 am - Whole school Orientation Day/Classroom

Have a great week. Mrs Ryan

PARENT CLUB NEWS

◆ WANTED: Pie Warmer that can be donated to the school or purchased by parents club for a small price.

◆ CHRISTMAS HAMPER— as part of our end of year Community Night we will have a Christmas Hamper. We ask families for a donation or two of non-perishable goods (please check use-by dates) for this hamper. Items can be left in the box in the school foyer.
## IMPORTANT DATES

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## REWARD OFFERED

**JACK’S GRADE 6 JUMPER IS STILL MISSING— WE ASK THAT EVERYONE PLEASE CHECK TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS NOT ‘HOLIDAYING’ AT THEIR HOME.**

*A SMALL REWARD WILL BE OFFERED IF THE JUMPER IS FOUND.*
A BIG THANK you to everyone who supported our Healthy Lunch / Healthy Dance day last week. As you know our activity was held to support a former student, Nathan Jennings who is currently being treated for lymphomia. Nathan is 18 years old and attended our school from prep to Grade 6. He is the grandson of our cleaner, Lyn and son of Jenni and David Jennings, who in the past were very actively involved in our school. The day was a great success and we raised $405.00 which will be forwarded to Nathan.

A HUGE THANKS to Jackie, Nikki, Donna, Vanessa, Bec R, and Lydia who organized and prepared the delicious fruit sticks, chicken wraps and snacks on the day.

We sincerely appreciate your support and your willingness to always put your hand up to help with these extra activities here at school.

SPECIAL LUNCH—NEXT MONDAY, 17th November

We will be providing a FREE special lunch next Monday.

Menu .. Soup (cauliflower & potato) and toasted cheese sandwiches.
This will be available to all students.
Bendigo Family Nature Club
Sunday 16th of November 10am - 1pm
Fossil Fossicking

- Travel in Time to an age of ancient creatures.
- Discover fossils in our local bush.
- Hear from Phil Dyson Hydro Geologist and expert then head off on a Fossil Fossicking adventure.

Registration or further information:
https://fossil-fossicking.eventbrite.com.au

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Christmas
FUN Language holiday program

Monday 22nd December 9am - 4pm
Tuesday 23rd December 9am - 4pm
Wednesday 24th December 9am - 12noon

Are your kids finishing school & you still have to work?
We have an exciting holiday option for the kids

A super fun, Christmas-themed language experience!
Kid's cooking, cultural dress ups, games, craft, role-play & learning about Christmas festivities in another country – all in another language! Beginners & intermediate welcome.

CHOOSE: French, Mandarin or Italian program
$85 per child per day ($50 for half day Wednesday)
Play-based fun language programs designed especially 4 children

Be quick – only 15 places available per session (min numbers apply)
Semi-immersion. Complements in-school LOTE (any language)
Different program daily so kids can do all 3 sessions.

** ALSO - REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN for our 2015 IMMERSION 3yr/tyro PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS.
Small group, personalised, play-based language learning. It's a weekly 2hr (like 3yo kinder) program in another language.

Choose immersion French or immersion Mandarin in Bendigo.
Ask our 2014 parents about the amazing results for their pre-schoolers!

Enquiries to Sally-Anne m: 0418 390 824
e: sally-anne.symes@lfclubs.com.au
www.lfclubs.com.au (2-5yrs) (5-12yrs)
Ask us about our term-time Fun Language Clubs 4 Kids for 2015

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SJNC - AGM & Registration for 2015 Season

When: Wednesday 19th November, 2014
Where: Flight Centre Park - home of Stratfieldsaye Storm Club Rooms Tinnery Lane
Time: 5:00pm

Registration Forms, AGM Information and Uniform Order Forms are available for you to fill in prior to the meeting. Please contact Michelle Thomson on michelin33@bigpond.com or Allison Richards on aberichards@bigpond.com and we can email you a copy.

ALL WELCOME
TWILIGHT FESTIVAL
Join the “Hope...It Grows!” Community Garden as we celebrate community, food and connections.

Friday 14 November
4.30pm - 8pm
153 Eaglehawk Rd, Long Gully
• Fire Bucket and Marshmallows
• Mobile Buskers
• BBQ
• Gardening Workshop
• Wood Turning
• Wood Fired Pizza
• Devonshire Tea
• Primary School Art Exhibition
• Face Painting
• Karen Cooking Demo
• Get creative with arts and activities
...and more

For more info, call 5442 2659
or visit GodFoodPeople.org/FESTIVAL

BRINGING up Great Kids
Woodend
Parents and Carers, would you like to......
• build strong and positive relationships with your children?
• increase your children’s confidence and resilience?
• listen and talk more with your children?
• understand messages from your children and how to respond to them?

Term 1, 2015
When: Wednesday 18th February - 25th March 2015
Time: Arrival and registration 12.45pm
Sessions 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Where: Woodend Hub, 47 Forest Street, Woodend
Cost: Free
Child Care: Sorry, child care is not provided
Facilitators: Patrick O’Sullivan (Cobaw) and Linda Lynch (CatholicsCare Sandhurst)
Email: Pat.osullivan@cobaw.org.au

For enquiries phone Patrick O’Sullivan on 5421 1684
Groups are subject to minimum and maximum numbers. Early registration is encouraged.

Recovering from Separation
Bendigo
Are you separated and wondering

WHAT’S NEXT?

Stuck, confused, frustrated or sad? Want to understand a little more about why you feel the way you do and eventually move on? Then join our eight week program and meet other men and women who have experienced separation or divorce.

Term 1 2015
When: Wednesday 4th February to 26th March 2015
Time: Arrical and registration 6.45pm
Sessions 7.00pm - 9.00pm
Where: CatholicCare Noel Daily Room, 176-178 McCabe St, Bendigo
Cost: $20 for the entire program
Parking: Enter at 116 Hargreaves Street
Facilitators: Narelle Williams and Ky Gregg

For bookings and enquires phone Ky Gregg on 5438 1300
Groups are subject to minimum and maximum numbers. Early registration is encouraged.

headspace parent forum

headspace Bendigo is presenting a free parent forum for parents/caregivers of young people aged 12-25 years.

Do you have any concerns with your child/young adult in regards to the following?
• drug and alcohol issues
• isolation and loss of friendship group
• problems at school
• mood changes/melting sad/irritable
• out of character behaviour

Our forum will provide information regarding young people;
• early warning signs
• where to access support
• strategies about how to address issues that may arise
• Q & A time to ask specific questions

This forum will give you some tools to take back into your home environment and an understanding of why this may happen.

Date: Monday November 17
Time: 10am - 12.00pm
Where: headspace Bendigo
192 Hargreaves St
RSVP: Friday November 14
to: headspace Bendigo
5434 3039
Cost: No Charge
Further information please call 5434 3039