

The Bridge

Selby Primary School Newsletter

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DIARY

- Friday 12 June** : Pupil Free Day (no students at school).
Monday 15 June : School photos (wear school uniform).
: 8.30 am uniform shop open.
Thurs. 18 June : 7.30 pm school council meeting.
Friday 19 June : Grade 6 basketball.
Monday 22 June : 8.30 am uniform shop open.
: Parent/teacher interviews.
Tuesday 23 June : Grades 4 & 5 Yellingbo excursion.
Thurs. 25 June : Disco: Junior school, 5.30 pm - 7.00 pm
Senior school, 7.15 pm - 8.30 pm
Friday 26 June : End term 2. Dismiss 2.30 pm.
Monday 13 July : Commence term 3.



SCHOOL PHOTOS – MONDAY 15 JUNE, 2009

A reminder for students to wear their school uniform and bring their order forms with money on photo day, Monday 15 June.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Bikes @ School

We have recently had a bike rack installed at our school, and it's great to see that many students are now riding their bike to and from school.



As student safety is of a very high priority at Selby Primary School, we require all students to wear a bike helmet when riding to and from school.

If a student forgets to bring their helmet, we will store their bike securely until they are able to bring a helmet.

To ensure that students are safe in the school grounds, **bikes are to be wheeled in and out of the school, and can only be ridden in the school grounds before 8.00 am and after 4.00 pm.** Thank you.

Assessment and Reporting Pupil Free Day

Just a reminder that Friday is the allocated Pupil Free Day for Assessment and Reporting. The teachers will be at school all day, finalising reports and working on assessment tasks.

The reporting process is a very important part of the school year. While assessment is ongoing, we report formally to parents and carers at half year and at the end of the year. Teachers put a huge amount of work into writing comprehensive reports that document a student's progress, and we really value and appreciate their efforts. Thank you teachers!

The reports will be sent home on Friday 19 June.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/teacher interviews will be held on Monday 22 June. Booking sheets for parent/teacher interviews will be located in the corridor outside the library from Monday 15 June. Phone bookings can be made on Thursday 18 June, from 3:30 to 5:00 pm.

YEP (Young Environmental Protectors) on the Loose

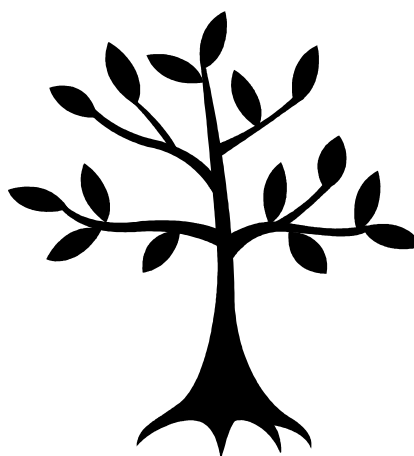
As I write this contribution for this week's edition of *The Bridge*, the Level 3s are busily preparing for their big YEP day. A very exciting morning session is planned at Selby Primary School, and Mrs Mercer and eight students will be visiting other schools for the rest of the day. We look forward to hearing from the students in next week's *Bridge*.

Special thanks to Kate Mercer, Pat O'Donohue, Rose Stout, Phill Van Dorp and the group of dedicated and enthusiastic parents who are doing such a great job with the sustainability project!

Kind regards,

Wendy Worrell

Principal



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Billanook College Tour, Saturday 20 June

10.15 am for a 10.30 am start. Tour is preceded by morning tea.
RSVP essential, registrar 9724 1179 or registrar@billanook.vic.edu.au

Public Forum: Public Transport in the Hills and Beyond, Problems and Solutions

Presented by public transport campaigners Samantha Dunn & Davey Heller. If you are dissatisfied with Melbourne's public transport and want to reduce your carbon footprint and petrol expenses, this forum is not to be missed. All warmly welcome. Gold coin donation. Light refreshments provide. Selby Community House, Wednesday 10 June at 7.00 pm.

Upwey & District Community Bank – Calendar Photo Competition

We are looking for photos which capture the Dandenong Ranges unique natural environment, to be included in our calendar for 2010. Competition is open to everyone in the community. Great prizes for the 12 winning entries. Competition closes 31 July 2009. See school office for entry form and details.

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HOW TO ORDER SCHOOL PHOTOS

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS ON : 15th of June 2009

Dear Parents,

On the above date, School photos will be taken at your school. Order envelopes either have been or will be distributed to all pupils. It is important that instructions are followed in order to save confusion and disappointment.

PLEASE NOTE: All orders received after photography day will incur a reorder fee.

1. Select your preferred package from the options printed on the flyer provided (which is enclosed in the order envelope). A class photo is included in all packages.
2. You must complete a separate order envelope for each purchasing child. Clearly mark the package and gifts you wish to purchase in the space provided using a black or blue ball point pen, complete all your contact details and enclose the correct payment using one of the options listed below.

CASH - Please enclose exact monies as no change is available, If paying for additional siblings in one envelope, please make note which envelope payment was made.

CHEQUE - Please print name, address and telephone on rear of cheque. If payment is declined by your bank, then dishonour fees will apply. Please allow 60 days for your cheque payment to be finalized.

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO : ADVANCEDLIFE

CREDIT CARD - payments can only be made on-line. An order envelope must be completed and returned to your school prior to photo day. If paying for more than one student or additional family photos, one transaction can be made by adding up the total of all order envelopes and recording the receipt number on all ordering envelopes.

Online Instructions: Go to : www.advancedlife.com.au

Click on online payments and re-orders, click on proceed

Enter the three letter online payment code (ie: SCH), then click OK

Enter your information and payment details

Click on next to process payment.

Check your payment details, then click on submit payment,

A confirmation page will appear, record receipt number on order envelope where indicated under payment details : "online receipt number"

Return order envelope to school on photo day.

3. SIBLING PHOTOS - order envelopes for sibling photographs may be collected from your school office prior to photo day and must be returned to your school office before photo day.

Kind Regards,

ADVANCEDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY

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SELBY PRIMARY SCHOOL

DISCO

THURSDAY 25 JUNE, 2009

(AFTER SCHOOL HOURS)

In the Selby Hall

JUNIOR: "GAMES" DISCO

Grades Prep, 1, 2, 3 : 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

SENIOR: "HAUNTED HALL" DISCO

Grades 4, 5 & 6 : 7.15 pm - 8.45 pm

\$3.00 entry

Mini Pop drinks	\$1.00
LCM bars	\$1.00
Plain chips	.70c
Popcorn	.80c
BBQ shapes	.60c
Pizza shapes	.60c
Fruit combos	.80c
Sultanas	.80c
Glow sticks	.50c - \$2.50



National School Pride

The Department of Education has allocated Selby Primary School a significant sum of money to undertake 'national school pride' projects to undertake upgrade and maintenance projects around the school, with all projects to be completed by December 2009.

This is a very exciting opportunity for the school to finally do some of our 'wish-we could-afford' initiatives that we have been fundraising for over the last couple of years. At the moment, the projects we are currently investigating are:

1. School Hall Flooring

Remedial works to repair and complete the flooring in the hall

2. Telephone Communications

A new telephone system with direct phone links between the office/principal's office and all class rooms

3. Interactive Whiteboards

A new I.T. initiative with number of new interactive whiteboards to explore a different way of teaching and learning

4. Data Projector

To be permanently installed in the school hall for assembly, presentations and the school production

5. School Foyer Upgrade

A refreshing contemporary feel for the office foyer with new sunscreen blinds, couches, school photo wall hangings, cushions and plants.

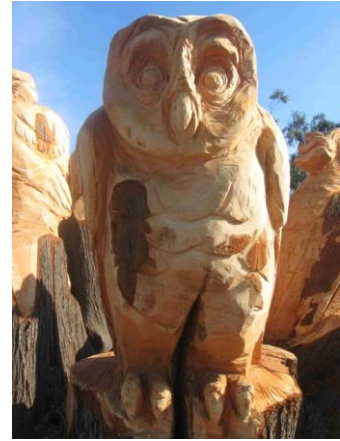
.... and last but not least we'd love to have your comments / questions / concerns / issues about an idea regarding the stand of cypress trees in Morley Street.



Claire Ferres Miles

6. Cypress Trees Chainsaw Art

There is a current safety issue with dropping branches from 13 existing large cypress trees. In addition the trees are so large, that there is minimal light to this part of the school grounds so no other landscaping can be successfully planted.



So the idea is...

- With the artistic skill of a chainsaw artist, to turn four large trees into new large scale art-works. A similar project has just been completed in Boronia Park (next to the library) – and the trees have been reborn as an eagle, a dancing whale, a kookaburra, a fairy castle complete with dragon, a ship in an ocean of dolphins – all designed for kids to climb up, over and around... (see photos)
- In addition, the proposal is to cut down an additional 2-4 trees to provide a large area around the tree sculptures for a new interactive children's garden with meandering paths, stepping stones, a dirt mound, a large sand-pit and indigenous plantings. There may also be an opportunity to provide a new playground in this area with a climbing frame, slides, monkey bars etc.
- The removal of some of the cypress trees will reduce the current safety hazard, will significantly improve light into this area of the school grounds, and will provide an existing new area in the school for a new indigenous children's garden with playground equipment.

WHAT DO YOU THINK???

This is an idea and we really want feedback from the school community – both adults and kids – as to the future use of this space.

Please fill out the flyer in this newsletter with your positive and negative thoughts on this idea. In particular we would really like the kids to give us some ideas in regard to what sculptures the kids want – we are thinking about having a voting poll for every child in the school to vote for their favourite idea.

CYPRESS TREES CHAINSAW ART

I don't like the idea of removal of the cypress trees because.....

I like the idea of chainsaw art sculptures for the cypress trees because

If we did go ahead with chainsaw art sculptures my ideas for a fantastic sculpture I would like to see are:

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Name:
Class:
Please return to your classroom teacher or the office by Monday 22 June.