

Congupna Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Dear School Community,

Winter is coming. There has been a resurgence in the prevalence of both flu and COVID across the state and now is a good time to revisit the Operation Guidelines for Government Schools in Victoria. These guidelines provide a consistent level of advice to all schools and help protect operations. To date, Congupna Primary School has been lucky to have a relatively small school community that is supportive of these guidelines as we are only as strong as our weakest link. I know that there are many larger urban schools that have been affected to a far greater extent. The Guidelines help us protect against the spread of these winter viruses on many levels; 1.) There is a chronic shortage of relief teachers, especially in rural areas. 2.) We want students to attend school as much as possible. We don't want swathes of students away for a week at a time affecting wellbeing, teaching and learning in our classrooms. 3.) Many of us have 'at risk' work colleagues or family members that we want to protect from these nasty viruses.

There are a number of things that we continue to do at school including the use of **regular hand-washing, sanitising, increased ventilation, voluntary mask-wearing and the use of our outdoor classroom when the weather permits**. COVID identification and notification protocols are as follows:

- Parents/carers should inform the school by phone or written notification and the school should complete the [Schools COVID Case Management Tool](#).
- Students who report a positive result are recommended to isolate for a minimum of 5 days and not attend school until their symptoms have resolved.
- Staff should report the result of a positive test and request special leave through the [eduPay](#) portal. Staff who report a positive result are recommended to isolate for a minimum of 5 days and not attend school during that period.
- A 'suspected' case means a person who displays any [COVID-19 symptoms who has not yet tested positive for COVID-19](#). The staff member, student or visitor who is symptomatic should be recommended to undergo testing for COVID-19. Parents of students who are symptomatic should be asked to collect their child from school and to keep them home until they are no longer symptomatic.
- There is no longer a requirement for principals to inform the school community of a positive case

associated with the school.

Thank you in advance for helping us keep everyone healthy and at school as much as possible.

Our **Creating, Cultivating and Caring at Congupna** (CCC@C) Kitchen sessions were fantastic last week. Katie and Tam helped our **senior students prepare pumpkin soup** to share, whilst our **F-4 students created Sandwich Sushi by putting together an array of colourful foods in a sandwich** and trying new things. All students also learnt about the importance of bees in preparation for World Bee Day on Saturday 20th May and I believe this theme will be continued in our gardening session tomorrow. If you are interested in hearing more from our resident Nutritionist, please tune in to **ABC Morning Radio on Thursdays at around 7:30am for Katie's informative and sometimes very amusing chats**.

Our **second Fire Rescue Victoria learning session** for all Foundation and Grade 1 students took place last Friday as well. It was great for all of **our students to step inside a real fire truck and water our school oval with a giant firehose!** The school also had a fire drill last week, so this tied in very well with the message fire safety plan message.

Finally, **I'd like to congratulate our first two AUSLAN signing champions at assembly on Friday**. Students have been busy learning AUSLAN with Ms Foster on Wednesdays and many students are now beginning to sign our national anthem. This role will be rotated between all students who show an appetite for this new language at school. **Well done Alby and Freya**.

Thanks for Reading, Adam Cleary – Principal.

Thought for the week

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their own dreams.

~ Tina Turner



2023 SCHOOL COUNCIL

President: Tim Bye
Deputy: Lauren Sibio
Secretary: Wendy Sidebottom
Treasurer: Fiona Davis
Members: Adam Cleary, Sarah Tricarico,
Jess Benton, Jeremy Lee, Jill Richardson, Sam
Prentice and Jaclyn McCarty.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Term 2

Tuesday 13 June from 6:30pm

Term 3

Tuesday 25 July from 6:30pm

Tuesday 5 September from 6:30pm

Term 3

Tuesday 17 October from 6:30pm

Tuesday 28 November from 6:30pm

2023 SCHOOL PARENTS & FRIENDS

President: Angie Grills
Secretary: Amy Ellis
Vice President: Georgina Prentice
Members: Bernadette O'Toole, Lexi
Wright, Lauren Sibio, Jess Benton, Robyn Reynolds,
Alice Evans, Emily Krake, Jacinta Allen, Rebecca
Threlfall, Jayde Bannister, Brooke McLeod, Ebony
Thorn, Fiona Davis and Erin Wilson.

TERM 2 CALENDAR 2023

May

26th Creating, Cultivating & Caring at Congupna
31st Pie Drive Orders due
31st Book Fair begins

June

1st P & F Footy Tea—Congupna FNC
9th Pie Drive Orders ready to be collected
12th King's Birthday Public Holiday
16th Curriculum Day (Pupil Free Day)
23rd Last day of term



Auslan



School



1.) With the dominant hand & with a flat hand shape

2) Move your hand towards your head & move it back & forth twice.

We are **KIND**

We are **BRAVE**

We are **CURIOUS**



We are **CURIOUS** Awards

Dooly Mark - for being an interested learner who enjoys finding out new information. Keep it up!

Lincoln Evans - for enthusiastically measuring items around our classroom during maths this week. Well done Lincoln!

Ivy Threlfall - for being a curious learner, who wants to continually challenge herself. Well done Ivy.

Brodie Kelly - for asking hundreds of questions on camp.

Kiwanis **TERRIFIC KIDS** of the week

Harmony Sunnerdale - for always having a positive attitude towards her learning and being a kind and friendly student. Well done Harmony!

Zac Gordon - for your positive attitude and all the growth you have achieved so far this year.

STEM Award

Piper Rogers - for her comprehensive analysis of the moldy bread experiment.

CHAPLAIN CHAMPION

River Venables – for not giving up and having a go.



CONGUPNA CRUZERS Soccer Report

Under 6's

Our Under 6's came up against a powerful Shepp East Raptors side that proved a handful for our Cruzers. We had a full complement of six players available which we thought was great to enable rest breaks throughout the game. Some players however, were enjoying the game so much that they didn't even want a rest! Dooly was a standout kicking three goals for the team while Azhalia showed some very good dribbling skills and Asher, Sam, Billy and Eddie all tried their best and had fun. We kicked the ball the right way most of the time and players are very supportive of one another, always offering encouragement and compliments. This week we play the Orrvale Warriors in our usual early timeslot of 8:30am at our Home Ground (6F). I look forward to meeting the team at 8:15am. Go Cruzers!

Coach Adam



Under 7's

Our under 7's showed their skills against St Anne's on Saturday. We had Jorden McCarty-Hill as a fill in this week. He was an asset to our team scoring 6 goals. Your skill and determination was fun to watch, thanks Jorden! Well done also to Jordy B, Harriet P and Lincoln who also scored goals and were constantly chasing down the ball. Billie showed us her brilliant attacking skills, seeking out the ball with confidence and multiple close attempts at goal. Adeline played a great defensive game and is doing so well learning the game and getting in amongst all the plays. All players showed their strengths, worked as a team and fun was had by all! Keep it up team!

Coach Georgina



Under 8's

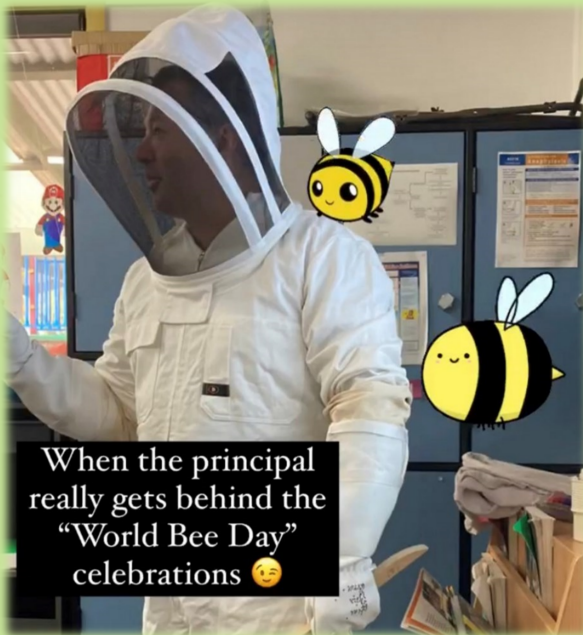
An earlier game time this week, saw our Under 8's with a chilly start against strong opposition. Daisy did some great kick outs as our Goalie, while Mark got to work and kicked out first goal. Throughout the game Jorden had several attempts at goal which were all well blocked by the keeper and Mark continued his scoring with another 2. Alby and Zoe were strong in defense and assisted Jack who did a wonderful job as keeper in the second half. Flynn kept the ball moving through the middle as did Billie who was a terrific fill in for us. Whilst it wasn't our strongest game, everyone did their very best and played well right to the final whistle. Our awards went to Daisy for her wonderful effort and Alby for never giving up.

Coach Jac





Creating, Cultivating & Caring
at Congupna





Congupna Primary School

We are Kind, We are Brave, We are Curious

Football Dinners at Congupna Community Hall

Thursday 1st June 2023

P&F are providing the catering for the after training dinner at the Congupna Football Club. We would love some helpers to make this fundraiser run smoothly.

We would also like to invite all our school families to come down to the Community Hall for dinner, before the players, from 5:30pm

Please let us know if you can help with a shift by returning this form or contacting the office.

3.20pm – 5pm	Setup – Preparation of salads, gravy & hall set up.	Bern O'Toole	Robyn Reynolds	Fi Davis (from 4pm)	Jakara Lancaster	Brad Benton	Erin Wilson	
5pm – 7pm	Cooking, serving meals, money handling, dishwashing.	Georgina Prentice	Amy Ellis	Jess Benton				
7pm – 8.30pm	Cooking, serving meals, money handling, dishwashing, tidy/pack up.	Angie Grills						

-NORTH END -
BAKEHOUSE



BAKERY & WHOLESALE
SHEPHERD



Congupna Primary School Pie Drive Order Form

ORDER FORMS DUE BACK Wed 31st May 2023

The school is once again holding a pie drive which is a great opportunity to stock the freezer for the colder months ahead, especially when you want something quick & easy for lunches/dinner.

We would love everyone to get on board for this yummy fundraiser which helps raise money to support our school and students.

Forms will need to be handed back into the office with payments **NO LATER** than Wednesday 31st May (Sorry we can't take **ANY** late orders)

Orders will be ready to be picked up from school on Friday 9th June at 3pm.

All orders will be packed per order form - so if you would like more copies please contact the office or feel free to make a copy yourself.

Please ensure you arrange for orders to be picked up on this day as the school doesn't have enough space to keep them.

So ask your family, friends, neighbours, mum & dad's work mates to help by placing an order for some delicious pies/slices!

Product	Quantity	Price	TOTAL	Product	Quantity	Price	TOTAL
Family Plain Beef		\$12.00		4pk Bolognese Pie		\$20.00	
Family Bolognese		\$13.00		4pk Sausage Roll		\$14.00	
Family Creamy Chicken		\$13.00		4pk Meat & Vege Pastie		\$18.00	
Family Beef Shepherds		\$13.00		6pk Mixed Slices *		\$22.00	
Family Apple Pie		\$15.00		4pk Vanilla Slice		\$16.50	
4pk Plain Beef Pie		\$18.00					

*Slices include: 1x Hedgehog 1x Lemon 1x Jelly 1x Rasp Coconut
1x Mudcake 1x Pink Lamington

NAME:

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(Order will be labelled with this name)

PHONE NUMBER:

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ORDER TOTAL

\$

Student/Child Name (if applicable)



CONGUPNA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Lego Drive



WE WANT YOUR SPARE LEGO

- Ask Family & Friends
- Our Goal is to get **15kg of Lego!**

Lego Drive ends 10th July 2023

Run by the Student Voice Team