The guitar lessons began today. Hopefully it will be smooth sailing from here on.

### Student Achievement Awards

P - 2 Deegan Collins - For concentrating very hard during writing sessions and producing great work.

3 - 4 Keira Watts - For being an amazing helper to her group during SAKG and always helping to clean up when asked.

5 - 6 Amelia Galea - For settling in extremely well in her new school and being a responsible student. Congratulations to the following students:

- Bianca Ferraro - 25 nights
- Clancy McLaughlin - 25 nights
- James Hall - 25 nights

### Happy Birthday

Sebastian Keogh - 50 nights

Happy birthday to Harry for next Sunday, we hope you have a great day and your footy team wins!

### From the Principal’s Desk

The school will be conducting a Mother’s Day Stall on Thursday 7th of May. Gifts range from $1.00 to $6.00, children can spend as little or as much as you would like them too. Please bring a plastic bag to school for the kids to take gifts home in. Classes will take turns coming into the stall and purchasing gifts, there are plenty and no one will miss out. This also gives the children experience in handling money.

### Naplan

I have been fielding some questions about student participation in Naplan for year three and five students from 12th - 14th May. See the following from the Victorian Curriculum & Assessment Authority (VCAA) website.

**NAPLAN tests** are a routine part of the school calendar. However students may be withdrawn from the testing program by their parent/carer if there are religious beliefs or philosophical objections to testing. This is a matter for consideration by individual parents/carers in consultation with their child’s school. A formal application in the manner specified by the relevant Test Administration Authority (TAA) must be received by the principal prior to the testing.

In essence it is parental choice as to whether your child completes the Naplan tests.

Further information is available from the VCAA website. See the link below or make an appointment to see John


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**Bunnings BBQ**

We have a Bunnings BBQ scheduled for Sunday 17th May. We will require parents to help on the day setting up, handling money, serving customers and cleaning up at the end of the day. We will have four shifts which would only require parents to stay for two hours. There will be shifts at 8.30am, 10.30am 12.30pm and 2.30pm. We require three people and John for each shift. See John if you can help.

At the moment we only have two volunteers.

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Biggest Morning Tea

The school will be supporting the Cancer Council’s ‘Biggest Morning Tea’ on Thursday 21st May from 10.30 am -11.30 am.

We would like as many parents, grandparent, friends, neighbours and people from the local community to attend. We intend to use the hall and have the biggest morning tea we can possibly muster. A ‘what to bring’ list and invitations you can give to others is included with the newsletter. See Meagan if you have any questions.

If attending, RSVP Meagan by 15th May.

Cross Country

Meagan has been training a group students who are keen to compete in the cross country at Hanging Rock on this Tuesday 5th May. Only students who can successfully complete 2km without stopping or walking are allowed to compete. Notes for the students eligible to compete were sent home today.

School Council

School Councillors are reminded that our next meeting is tomorrow night Wednesday 29th April at 7.00 pm.

The Annual Report to the Community draft will be e-mailed to councillors late today. This will need to approved by council tomorrow night.

I am sorry for the very late notice on this document but I only gained access to the data last Thursday.