

Issue 6–5th March, 2020

PRINCIPAL & ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

Hello everyone,

A final reminder that nominations for school council close on Friday at 4:00pm. We currently have three positions available for parent representatives, each for a two year tenure. I highly encourage all members of our community to consider either self-nominating, or nominating another parent who is suited to making a valuable contribution to our school's governance. Our council meet once per month throughout the year and perform a variety of roles relating to policy, finance, facilities and infrastructure, fundraising and contracts. In the event that we receive more nominations than there are positions, a ballot will be conducted over the coming week to appoint the representatives.



This week we once again host our monthly whole school assembly at 2:30pm on Friday. I encourage all parents to come and join in this community event. At this assembly we will be presenting a new award to one child from each year level. Titled the 'Learning Legend', these recognise a student who has excelled academically by meeting their personal learning goal during the past month. We will also continue to award a 'Star of the Week' to a child from each class on non-assembly weeks. These awards will identify achievement across all areas, including demonstrating our school expectations of 'Respect your School', 'Do Your Best' and 'Help Others Succeed'. Star of the week awards will now be presented at short sub-school celebrations on a Friday afternoon at 3:05pm. Just prior to finishing for the week, students will gather to share the achievements of the week and the presentation of the star of the week awards. Parents are welcome to attend to see their child be presented with the certificate. Foundation and Year 1 will meet outside the ELC, Years 2, 3 and 4 will meet on the soccer pitch and the senior students will meet on the top basketball court, commencing next week.

Thank you to all our wonderful foundation parents who attended our Teddy Bears Picnic on Tuesday afternoon. We had a great turn out and the children had a ball, playing with their friends. It was a great opportunity for our newest families to connect with other parents and make friendships that will last throughout their time at our school.

Until next week,

Ty Hoggins & Rae Gittos
Principal Team

CALENDAR

MARCH

March 6	March Community Assembly 5/6 Interschool Sport Round 4
March 10	SSS Mass Dance Rehearsal
March 13	5/6 Interschool Sport Round 5
March 16	Whole School Photos
March 17	Foundation 2021 Evening

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wishing the following children a very Happy Birthday!

6th March
Max 06G

9th March
Tamsin 04P

10th March
Isla 06G

11th March
Michael 03M

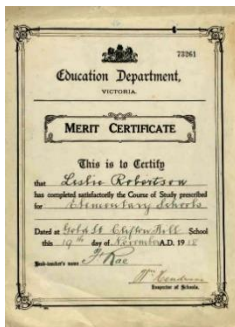
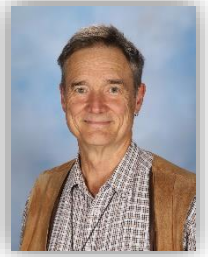
12th March
Levi 00C
Hunter 01D
Harrison 05P



Peter Ackland - school chaplain

School History 1919-1924

Thomas Jobling was Head-master at Whittlesea State School from 1908 to 1924. He led the school community through the war years with strong patriotic fervour. In his last five years at the school, newspaper stories dried up. Historian J. W. Payne has helped fill the gap with a few entries. In 1920, all 10 entrants for the Merit and 6 for the qualifying exams passed. That was clearly an improvement to two years earlier (last article). Payne also noted that in 1923 two sewing machines and a piano totalling £80 (£25 of this collected by the children) were acquired. I chose a foot peddle Singer sewing machine illustration as the likely design because the school still did not have electricity. A retired music teacher, Mrs Morris, gave free singing lessons at the school. I also wonder if the piano presently in the music room is the very same.



In 1924 enrolments declined and this meant a drop in salary for Thomas Jobling. He chose to transfer to Healesville State School and stayed at that post until he retired in 1933. The *Advertiser* reported that Thomas's wife Mary died January 1932 and the 'funeral took place at Whittlesea' where a number of Thomas Jobling's 'late scholars placed a beautiful wreath on the grave'. Thomas Jobling died in 1939 in Northcote, Victoria aged 71.

To be continued from 1925.

SWPBS at Whittlesea Primary School

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)

You may have noticed our Behaviour Matrix throughout the school and in all classrooms. A display with all the SWPBS components is featured in the office reception area. When you are next in the office, look out for the display and see how everything fits together.

The school wide behaviour matrix is this week's element for discussion.

School Wide Behaviour Expectation Matrix

The School Wide Behavior Expectation Matrix is a chart that clearly communicates Whittlesea Primary School's expectations for positive behaviors in various school environments. It aides staff in teaching, modeling, and reinforcing the expected behavior throughout the school.

The School Wide Behavior Expectation Matrix helps staff consistently reinforce a set of key behavioral expectations during students' daily routines. When it is visibly displayed in the classroom and other settings, it helps to increase students' understanding of school wide expectations, and offers specific examples of actions students can take to meet these expectations.

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div> <h1 style="margin: 0;">Behaviour Matrix</h1> <p style="margin: 0;">Whittlesea Primary School</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><i>Respect Your School</i></p> <p><i>Do Your Best</i></p> <p><i>Help Others Succeed</i></p> </div> <div>  </div> </div>							
	Learning Spaces	Toilets	Outside	Gym	Assembly	Cyber Spaces	In the Community
Respect Your School	Walk calmly inside. Use equipment appropriately. Return equipment to the correct place. Keep learning areas tidy. Use a quiet voice when working.	Keep the toilets clean and tidy. Report any damage. Turn off the taps.	Greet others positively. Stay on paths and play spaces. Walk in Slow Zone areas. Nude food outside.	Look after the equipment. Use equipment safely. Walk and move appropriately in the gym.	Enter and leave calmly. Listen to presenters. Stand attentively when singing the National Anthem.	Look after the equipment. Always return equipment to the correct trolley or caddy.	Use kind language and manners. Respect others. Look after property. Look after the environment. Be positive.
Do Your Best	Be prepared to learn. Have a go. Set goals and reflect on your learning. Ask questions.	Remember to go to the toilet during break times.	Go directly to your destination. Model expected behaviours. Play by agreed rules with peers.	Attempt all the activities. Be persistent. Follow instructions.	Be prepared and rehearsed if you are presenting. Set an example for others.	Use the internet responsibly to help you research and learn new information.	Listen attentively. Use the opportunity to learn new information and make new connections.
Help Others Succeed	Encourage and support others. Share your materials. Contribute your thoughts and ideas.	Respect people's privacy. Remind others to wash their hands.	Consider others. Be patient. Hold the door for others.	Wait your turn. Encourage others. Include others. Share equipment.	Use STAR. Applaud others. Be mindful of others personal space.	Always make sure you plug our devices in to charge. Learn with others by sharing devices.	Listen to others. Always leave things appropriately, ready for the next person.

Staff explicitly teach the expected behaviours and reinforce what this looks like in their learning area. Lessons focus on unpacking the expected behaviours. Classes create flowcharts, picture and routine posters together so that the expected behaviour is clear and everybody knows what they need to do. Staff also use the matrix to pre correct behaviours BEFORE the behaviour has occurred. This may look like a reminder before students go out to break about how we include others or how we show respect by waiting our turn.

Enjoy the long weekend.

Betty Tzelepis – Student Wellbeing Leader



SCHOOL TOUR & INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY 17th MARCH 2020
6:00PM

2021 FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS

NOW OPEN

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE

SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

RESPECT YOUR SCHOOL – DO YOUR BEST – HELP OTHERS SUCCEED

COMMUNITY NEWS



Whittlesea Primary School E-waste Collection



City of
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Take your E-waste to a better place!



To make recycling e-waste easy, we will be hosting an e-waste recycling skip from
Friday 6 March - Friday 27 March.

E-waste refers to any household appliance with a battery or cord.

When the skip arrives, you can put any small household electrical items with a cord or battery into it, such as: televisions, computers, laptops, tablets, printers, faxes, scanners, copiers, keyboards, speakers, monitors, gaming consoles, modems, set top boxes, routers, server, vacuum cleaners, toasters, hair dryers, hi-fi equipment, video and DVD players, electronic toys and other household electronic appliances.

✓ What WILL be accepted:

Any small household electrical or electronic items with a cord or battery, for example: computers, televisions, vacuum cleaners, printers, toasters, hair dryers, video and DVD players, hi-fi equipment, stereo equipment, digital cameras and video cameras.

✗ What will NOT be accepted:

Any whitegoods (refrigerators, freezers, dish washers, washing machines, clothes dryers and microwaves) and solar panels. To dispose of whitegoods book a free collection by calling Kids Off The Kerb on 9982 5600.

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Want your say on the name of the new Primary School in Wollert?

The Victorian School Building Authority is seeking community input into developing the name of the new secondary school currently under construction and scheduled to open in 2021.

Edgars Creek Primary School (only an interim name) will open its doors to Year F-6 students in 2021 as part of the Government's school building program that will see 100 new public schools open over the next eight years.

You can forward any name suggestions to the Department of Education and Training's North Western Victoria Regional Office via email at nwvr@edumail.vic.gov.au by Friday 27 March or contact the office on **1300 338 691** to discuss.

A proposed name will be selected from a shortlist of potential names for formal consultation with all surrounding schools and services before a recommendation is made to the Minister for Education. School names can recognise and reflect culture, heritage and landscape and will be guided by the statutory requirements outlined in the Naming Rules for Places in Victoria.

If you would like further information about this new school and other school building projects you can visit the Victorian School Building Authority webpage at www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au



Join Friends of Toorourrong for a **FREE** morning of fun, interactive waterway activities for all ages

Wednesday 8 April, 10:00am –1:00pm

Toorourrong Reservoir Park - Jack's Creek Rd, Whittlesea

The Merri Creek Management Committee will be delivering a range of activities including:

- Waterbug Discovery
- Story time with finger puppets
- Make a platypus out of native grasses.

Followed by a FREE sausage sizzle



Booking essential. Register by email:

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or for more information phone:

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