DIARY DATES

Anzac Day
25 April
(Public Holiday)
No students at school

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

In Ballarat there is a wonderful Arch of Victory at the western end of the city which was built to commemorate the service and sacrifice of the men and women who fought for their country in World War I (WWI). The girls who worked for Lucas Industries decided to raise money to build the arch and to plant a tree for every man and woman who served in the war. The House of Lucas was well known in the area of women’s fashion.

This undertaking was a herculean achievement. The girls planted a large number of trees and tried to protect them from floods, drought and damage. They planted a tree on each side of the road, on the western side of the arch that extended for 22 kilometres. It became famous as one of the truly inspiring memorials to the sacrifice of those who fought in WWI. The official number of remaining trees stands at 3,801. The Western Highway has now been widened and the avenue was built around the existing narrow country road. Therefore, another one way highway has been built parallel to the existing avenue. If you are ever visiting Ballarat, I highly recommend that you pause a while and read the memorial plaques that give you the whole story.

I have a personal interest in the Avenue of Honour. I have an uncle who died in the Battle of Somme in 1917. His body was never found. The Avenue of Honour was built to commemorate those who fought in the war and those who died. However, my 19 year old uncle, Angus, was forgotten. His immediate family has long gone but I am currently negotiating to have a tree planted for him. I have been told that the avenue is closed for any further developments. However, I believe this is an important exception. I will let you know how I get on.

Monday is ANZAC day, and is a public holiday to remember all the men and women from Australia and New Zealand who have fought in several wars over the last 120 years. It is a day where we should remember their sacrifice and acknowledge the horrors of war. We hope that the world will have a future free of conflict, whereby peace, harmony and co-operation will be the standard. It is through these positive thoughts that good things happen.

JOHN MOONEY
Principal
We will continue our study next week on the value, **Courage**.

Next Monday all Australians and New Zealanders will remember all those brave women and men who sacrificed their lives so that we can live in peace and harmony in this wonderful country, Australia.

I recently came across this poem on facebook by Paul Hunter, 2014 and thought you might like to read it too.

"I am not a badge of honour,
I am not a racist smear,
I am not a fashion statement,
To be worn but once a year,
I am not glorification
Of conflict or of war.
I am not a paper ornament
A token,
I am more.

I am a loving memory,
Of a father or a son,
A permanent reminder
Of each and every one.

I’m paper or enamel
I’m old or shining new,
I’m a way of saying thank you,
To every one of you.

I am a simple poppy
A Reminder to you all,
That courage faith and honour,
Will stand where heroes fall".

**DIANNE WRIGHT**
**Middle Campus Principal**
SCHOOL UNIFORM

If you HAVE NOT already received a subsidy, the following applies:

Uniforms purchased:

11\textsuperscript{th} April until 10\textsuperscript{th} July, 2016 - $80 subsidy will apply.
11\textsuperscript{th} July until 2\textsuperscript{nd} October 2016 - $60 subsidy will apply.
3\textsuperscript{rd} October until 20\textsuperscript{th} December, 2016 - $50 subsidy will apply.

In order to obtain the subsidy, you will need to purchase your uniform from the Beleza’s Dandenong store, 162 Cheltenham Road, Dandenong.
Yesterday was a great day to go sailing. First we went to the van, it took an hour and a half to get there.

We all had the life jackets on then we got on the yacht. Some of us did the steering and we spun the boat around in a donut. Some of us made the boat tack and the boat went side to side. Some people were a bit scared and it was a bit wavy. We were on the boat for 2 hours. We went at the front of the bow and then we arrive back at the port. Then we ate lunch and went back to the van, then came back to school.

Luka and Jack (MSK)

looks

feels

sounds

Looked small. I can see the shore a long way away off and the boat tilting.  

Excited  
Happy  
Cheerful

Easy to steer  
Soothing  
Scary

Cool  
Calm

Slapping of the waves  
Bumping  
Quietness

Georgia (MSK)
Feels

Scary
Amazed
Excited
Happy

Courageous
Steering
Cool
Easy

The Boat Looked Small
The Boat is called “I Can”
Tilted
Scenery

Bumpy
Soothing
Calmness
Quiet

Look

Sound

Keep watching!!........more to come next week about the story of sailors with disabilities and the ’I CAN’ yacht.

Mrs Slusher MSK
JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

JSA  SAJIN S
For his beautiful smile.

JSB  KEVIN D
For coming to school every day.

JSC  DESTINY G
For her improvement in writing and cutting.

JSD  MICHAEL C
For brainstorming the most ‘E’ words in class.

JSE  ROOZBEH A
For his excellent manners in class.

JSF  YASSIN N
For being polite and showing good manners.

JSG  NAVINDU V
For a great start to the term.

JSH  CODY W
For being helpful, happy and hard working.

JSI  LARISSA H
For making a great start to Term 2 with her maths.

JSI  GARETH R
For completing and winning the class competition.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Mrs Searle  CELESTE B
For always trying her best in Numeracy and Literacy.

Mr Stokes  GEORGE K
For ignoring distractions and negative influences and working hard the whole week.

Miss Harding  AARON G
For a great week where he earnt $145 of reward money.

Miss Murphy  JOSIAH P
For assisting other students in class.

Ms Ryan  TAHLIA A
For being a good helper when Ms Ryan was away.

Miss Yearwood  TAMIKI B
For having a great attitude.

Mr Mara  EBONY V
For being helpful to classmates and cleaning up the school.

Mr Tindal  SUE LAH MOO M
For having a great attitude.

Mrs Slusher  BEN L
For trying really hard.

Mr Marczenko  ALEX C
For his fantastic effort in the Middle School Tech Challenge.

ESO Award  CALLUM M
For always doing his work and the right thing.