This has been a busy term, everyone should have received their school photos. With Division Cross Country, Interschool sports, School athletics, Canberra Camp, NAPlan testing, Kindergarten visits and an Open Day for potential Preps for 2017 the students and teachers have been kept on their toes. Our recent pie drive fundraiser was a huge success! We hope everyone enjoys their delicious pies. With one more week left of term 2, there are a few items to remember:

- Chad is on leave until the end of Term 2, if you have any queries please see the relevant classroom teacher.
- Sausage sizzle at the Labertouche & District Community Centre on Election Day, Saturday 2nd July. Come along & enjoy a warm, tasty treat while you vote.
- Cluster day on Monday is here, it is a normal school day for students, please wear school uniform.
- Early dismissal for the last day of term on Friday. Pick up is from 1:30pm.
- Reports to go out next Thursday, if you have not returned your child’s report folder please return it on Monday.
- MARC van books to be bought back first Wednesday of term 3 please.

**Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser**

On Election Day, Saturday 2nd July, Parents & Friends will be holding a sausage sizzle fundraiser at LDCC. If any parents are able to volunteer on the day, please speak to Jo Janssan on 0419 995 351 or leave a message at the office.

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We hope to see you all on the day!
Dates to Remember

- Monday 20th June - Cluster Day at Labertouche PS. Life Ed Van (cost included in school fees)
- Thursday 23rd June - Reports to be sent home
- Friday 24th June - End of Term 2 Students can be picked up from 1:30pm or 2:30pm finish
- Monday 11th July - First Day of Term 3
- Tuesday 2nd to Thursday 4th August - 3/4 Camp at Coonawarrra Farm Resort, East Gippsland

This Week's Puzzle - Cyber Safety Word Search
On The Road With MARC

This week students have been researching the First Fleet and information relating to the First Convict Settlers in Australia.

Prep/Grade 2 News

What’s up Doc! Our vegetable garden has produced plenty of carrots! Students worked hard to pick these and the school has been enjoying them during fruit/vegetable snack time daily.

This week in P-2 we have been further exploring the seasons of our country, looking at Indigenous seasons. Students researched together symbols of weather and compared them to symbols they know. We have also been using an online program to write and draw recounts of our kinder day activities. Students worked very well with our big grade helpers using laptops correctly. We have made frog in a pond during cooking time and created great artwork retelling the story – There was an old lady who swallowed a fly.
School Council

As some of you may be aware a few weeks ago I was elected School Council President. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the school community and explain a little about what School Council does.

School Council President – Wendy Cummins

I am currently a stay at home mum with 4 children, 3 boys and 1 girl, living in Drouin. Most of you probably know me as Owen’s mum. Our household also has a husband/dad. There is also a 17 yr old who has been living with us for almost 18 months. I have previously worked in a government call centre at ASIC for over 10 yrs and am currently involved with running Drouin Playgroup. I hope my knowledge and experience will be useful in this new role and look forward to what the future of the school council holds.

Outgoing School Council President – Gavin Gillies

I want to take this opportunity on behalf of myself, the School Council and the school community as a whole to acknowledge the huge amount of work undertaken by Gavin Gillies while in the position of President. Gavin thank you for all that you have done so far and I look forward to working with you and the rest of the school council in the future.

What School Council Does

The role of School Council is essentially one of helping to set the long term future for the school and maintaining oversight (not management) of the school’s operation. Running the school is the job of the principal but the School Council has an important role to play in determining the overall direction the school will take.

The functions of school council include:
  - Establishing the broad direction and vision of the school within the school’s community
  - Participating in the development of the school strategic plan
  - Developing, reviewing and updating school policies
  - Raising funds for school-related purposes
  - Approving the annual budget and monitoring expenditure
  - Maintaining the school’s grounds and facilities
  - Entering into contracts (e.g. cleaning, construction work)
  - Reporting annually to the school community and to the Department of Education
  - Creating interest in the school in the wider community
  - Informing itself of and taking into account the views of the community

School council may also be involved in the principal selection process if and when it becomes necessary.

Next School Council Meeting

The next school council meeting is scheduled for Monday July 18th at 3.45pm. We will be preparing the agenda for this meeting during the last week of the school holidays so if you have any items that you would like to have considered at this meeting could they please be forwarded to myself by Sunday July 3rd. The school council president email address is cummins.wendy.n@edumail.vic.gov.au. Please be aware that, so as to keep the meetings running smoothly, all items to be raised must be in the agenda so council members have the opportunity to consider them prior to the meeting. Also on occasion we may need to schedule items for later meetings so as to not overload council at the next meeting.

We hope to put some regular info and updates in the newsletter to keep you informed but in the meantime feel free to come and chat to me at the school gate or email me.

Wendy Cummins
Senior Grade News

We are almost in the final week of Term 2, and what a fantastic Term it has been! School is a busy place with a lot expected of the students in terms of sustained concentration and efforts. We hope all students and families have a relaxing and safe holiday period and come back fresh and eager to learn at the start of Term 3!

Semester 1 reports are being finalised and will go home on Thursday 23rd June. We know you will be looking forward to reading the teachers’ comments about your child’s learning growth, attitude and approach to learning, as well as their social competencies.

This week in literacy, students completed a recount of their long weekend and have been working hard on adding ‘WOW’ words into their writing to make it more detailed and interesting. A big focus was also on the correct use of punctuation and student’s re-reading back through each sentence to make sure it makes sense.

Assembly Awards

A great effort by Cheyanne, our Senior Mathlete of the week and Sophie, our Junior Mathlete of the week. Rhys and Grace both received a reading award for reaching 50 nights reading and Riley received an award for reaching 25 nights reading. Congratulations to Nadine, our Junior Student of the Week. Well done everyone and keep up the great work!

Students receiving awards for Nightly Reading, Mathletics and Student of the Week.

Josh handed out cupcakes to everyone to celebrate his birthday on Thursday! Happy Birthday Josh!

Reminders:

Grade 3 / 4 Camp: please note that the forms for Grade 3 /4 camp are due back by Monday 20th June. Cluster day is this Monday. All students need to be wearing the correct school uniform and have their best manners on display.