Hello Everyone,

Well, the weather was perfect for our Beginning of the Year Family Barbecue and we had a wonderful turnout. It was very nice to have everyone together and socialising in an informal setting. It is a memorable occasion for our students. The food was delicious, thank you for all your lovely homemade salads and desserts! Thank you also, to Mr Dan Hession and Mrs Teresa Armstrong who organised the event.

Congratulations to Nicole Gallagher who competed at the Division Swimming Championships held at the Bairnsdale Pool last Friday 1 March. Nicole finished an impressive 3rd in her breast stroke event and will now continue on to the Regional Swimming Championships. All that training is paying off!

Friday 15 March is Funky Hair Friday. This event raises money for the Leukaemia Foundation. If your child would like to colour their hair or wear coloured accessories in their hair they need to bring in a gold coin donation.

Our school captains have hit the ground running and have organised our first Recycling Swap Meet. The meet takes place on Friday 15 March. Each child may bring 1 – 3 items they wish to recycle, keeping in mind they will not get it back. The children can then swap their old items for someone else’s goods. Items can range from books to bikes (Please no electrical items). It should be a lot of fun and it promotes a good way of life.

Wednesday 20 March at 9.30am we will have our St Joseph’s Feast Day Mass. Students will take an active role in the liturgy. We hope you can come and join us. A cup of tea and biscuits will follow for the parents.

I would like to express my gratitude to Mrs Noeline Baker for her incredible contributions to the school. For health reasons, Noeline will be taking leave for the remaining weeks of Term One and the whole of Term Two. We wish her a restful break and a speedy recovery. Mrs Julie Leatham will be in administration in Noeline’s absence with assistance from Mrs Teresa Armstrong.

I hope you all get out into the fresh air to enjoy the long weekend. See you next Tuesday!

Kind regards,
Matthew Hamer
**Assembly Awards**

*MacKillop:*
Wyatt Strickland for making a fantastic caterpillar.
Lilly Westaway for making the most words in the Boggle game.

*Colman:*
Markeisha Ingram for completing a terrific job on her ‘Brag Book’ cover.
Joel Strickland for trying extra hard on all his activities.

*Xavier:*
Nicole Gallagher for her commitment to lessons and being a good listener.
Jayde Light for being a positive, generous person who always demonstrates great honesty.

*PE Award:*
Kelilah Fitzgerald for her persistence and overall great attitude toward sport!

*Japanese Award:*
Jessica Young for drawing a very realistic self-portrait.

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**Xavier’s Weekly Snippets**

Welcome to another week of Xavier’s Weekly Snippets.

The Class Captains this week in Colman are Sarah Hill and Harry Young. Nicole Gallagher has achieved great success in her swimming. She came 3rd in breast stroke, 5th in 50 m freestyle and butterfly. This means she is off to the Regionals, which is being held in Sale next Wednesday.

On Thursday was the Family BBQ, and it went really well. Thank you to all the families who attended and who brought a salad or dessert. The weather has been kind to us this week. On Friday we had the assembly and it went really well.

What we are doing in Xavier class this week

This week in Xavier we are still learning to write persuasive texts. There is one here for you to read about ‘Day Light Saving is a good Idea’ by Tahlia Cassel. We also did some Sketching in Art. In Japanese with Mrs Russel the class learnt about Katakana and Hiragana. We also did some things on Greetings and we made Origami paper cups. Mr Hamer took us for sport where we are learning lots of ball handling skills.

We hope you have been enjoying our weekly recipes. We would love to have some feedback.

By Bridget and Shani

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**Xavier’s Weekly Recipe**

**Spaghetti Salad**

500g thin spaghetti (cooked and drained)
1-2 bunches of spring onions finely chopped
1 bag bean sprouts
Coriander finely chopped

**Dressing**

4tbs Canola Oil
4 tbs Soya Sauce 2 tbs lemon juice 2 tbs Sesame Oil

Mix well together and toss through hot pasta

Add remaining ingredients when spaghetti is cold.

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In Japanese Jake has been practising to say ‘eat’ ta be ma su

Shona with her Japanese Book.
Weekly Reminders:

- Lunch orders: are available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Brain Food: please send along a piece of fruit or raw vegetables cut up for your child to eat at their 10am break.
- Uniform Shop: Maintained by Mrs Jan Gallagher – Orders can be placed at the office.
- Library day: Tuesday
- Japanese: With Mrs Russell – Xavier Tuesday /Colman Wednesday
- School Banking Day: Wednesday
- Sport: With Mr Hamer on Wednesday (Students to bring their runners to change into)
- Music: with Mr May on Thursday
- St. Joseph’s Playgroup: Thursday 9am to 11am
- Out of hours childcare/vacation care:
  
  For bookings phone Bev Cameron on 0409 953 175

THIS WEEKEND’S MASS TIMES:

Sat: 9/3  St Brendan’s LE  6:00pm
Sun: 10/3  St Brendan’s LE  9:00am
  St Colman’s Orbost  11:00am

Our Weekly Prayer

The Light of Your Soul

May the light of your soul guide you.
May the light of your soul bless the work you do with the secret love and warmth of your heart.
May you see in what you do, the beauty of your own soul.
May the sacredness of your work bring healing, light and renewal to those who work with you and to those who see and receive your work.
May your work never weary you.
May it release within you wellsprings of refreshment, inspiration and excitement.
May you be present in what you do.
May you never become lost in the bland absences.
May the day never burden you.
May dawn find you awake and alert, approaching your new day with dreams, possibilities and promises.
May evening find you gracious and fulfilled.
May you go into the night blessed, sheltered and protected.
May your soul calm, console and renew you.

John O’Donohue, Anam Cara

Gospel Snippet


This week we hear of the Loving Father, some call this story the Prodigal Son. The story tells us that God is always willing to be with us, will never abandon us. All we need to do is to let Him be part of our lives.

Xavier – Persuasive Text

DAY LIGHT SAVINGS IS A GOOD IDEA

I hereby wish to state that I firmly disagree with the above statement. Daylight saving should be scrapped! I will state my arguments and evidence below.

Day light saving should be scrapped as the children get discombobulated with their sleeping routine and then children get tired. When they’re tired they get upset and can’t sleep because the sun light is still shining in their window past 8pm.

Day light saving is difficult for dairy farmers as their cows come up from the paddock later as they follow the light not our clock. Even though they adapt, dairy farmers have to get up in the dark and they can’t see their cows!

In the beginning and at the end of day light saving, it’s really cold and dark when you get up early in the morning. This is not nice for people who have to use public transport. It also makes it more difficult for people who travel by car.

All the reasons I have stated I think it’s crystal clear why day light saving should be scrapped! How would you feel if you had grumpy children and the farmers could not produce fresh milk for your breakfast!

Tahlia Cassel

Please submit your Scholastic Book Club orders with the correct money, or cheque made payable to Scholastic Australia, to the office by next Friday 15th March 2013.
St Joseph’s Recycling- Swap Meet

On Friday 15th March we are holding our first Annual Recycling- Swap Meet. It will take place at 10:30am onwards at the school.

You may bring up to 3 items. NO ELECTRICALS!!!!!!!

For every item you bring you will get a ticket and with that ticket you may choose any other item that others have bought along. That means that if you just bring a pair of football boots you may even be able to trade them for a bike!

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AUSKICK SIGN ON
APRIL 15th & 22nd 5pm - 6pm
$60.00 PER CHILD
OR REGISTER ONLINE AT
www.aflauskick.com.au

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SIGN ON and MEET THE COACHES and BBQ

WEDNESDAY MARCH 20th 5pm - 6pm
$60.00 PER PLAYER

ADDITIONAL SIGN ON DAY WEDNESDAY
27th MARCH 5pm - 6pm
Thank you
John Welsh
Secretary

Orbost Education Centre
21 Ruskin Street Orbost

Hospitality Courses
Responsible Service of Alcohol
DATE: Wednesday 20/03/13
TIME: 5:30pm – 9pm
COST: $29.00

Safe Food Handling (Level 1)
DATE: Thursday 21/03/1
TIME: 9:30am - 2pm
COST: $43.00
To enrol or for more information please contact 5154 1788

The Mallacoota Pre-School invites your school to its inaugural

Mallacoota Fun Run
SUNDAY 10th March 2013

The fun run caters for all walking/running abilities with a 2.5 km walk/run, 5 km walk/run, 10 km run, and 20 km run.

There will be heaps of festivities happening: Our “All at Sea” theme Sandcastle Building Competition will start once the 2.5km walk/run and 5km walk/run events are finished. Get your thinking caps on to come up with a creative design fitting the “All at Sea” theme. Bring along buckets and spades!

Our fun run website is already receiving lots of interest. Please take a look at www.mallacootafunrun.com.au. We’re also on facebook!

Please call Ros 0418 427 768 or email contact@mallacootafunrun.com.au if you have any queries or want to know more.