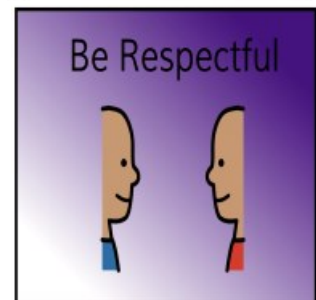
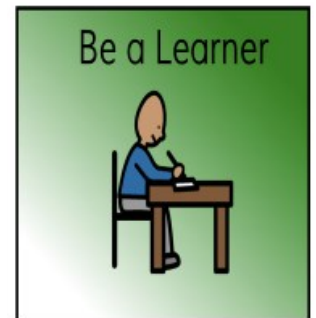


GO WYATT!!



Wyatt went surfing with DSA on Saturday!

IMPORTANT DATES for TERM 1 2022

Mon 7th Feb—Pupil Free Day – NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

Fri Feb 25th—Welcome Day Luncheon—12 noon—All Welcome

Mon March 14th—Labour Day Public Holiday—No students at School

Mon 21st Feb—Harmony Day

Fri April 8th—End of Term 1

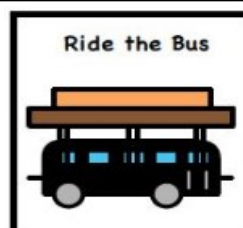
Parents and Friends Club EVENTS THIS TERM

President: Michelle Boyle **Secretary:** Tona O'Connor **Treasurer:** Jodie Lennon

Our Easter Raffle donations are coming along lovely. Thankyou to everyone who has donated. The more donations, the more prizes!!



SOUTH GIPPSLAND SPECIALIST SCHOOL: BUS CHAPERONE/DRIVER CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATED: 2021



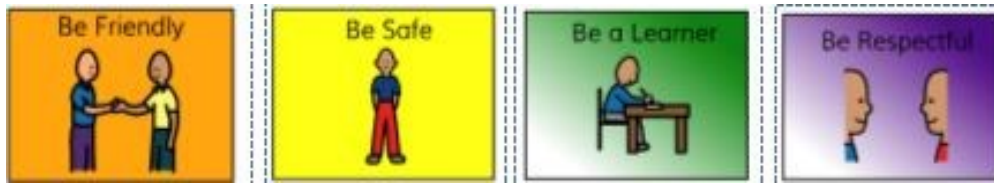
BUS RUN	DRIVER	CHAPERONE	CONTACT NUMBER
Kongwak	Maria Priestley	Wendy Green	0417 161 287
Nyora	Bec farmer	Kay Hills	0407 405 580
Welshpool	Greg Caple	Helen Beasley	0438 360 418
Taxi	Neil Green	Ava Kennedy	0409 006 326

Please Donate

Room 9 and 10 students are wondering if families have any old tennis balls laying around they could donate to school for lunch time use?



Token Winners!



Well done for displaying the school values this week by being friendly, being safe, being a learner, and being respectful. Kean, Indiana, Zarisha, Coby, Rebecca, Isaac, Anthony, Damien and Nethli.



18 this week!

Kara is turning 18 this Saturday. She is graduating this year and is going to be a Barista, making coffees.

Well done everyone!

Joke of the week!

Q: How can we keep the school clean?

A: By staying home.

Q: Why doesn't dark end with a C?

A: Because you can't "C" in the dark.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Manna Gum Community Lounge Foster

We aim to provide fun and engaging school holiday activities which include creative arts and gardening workshops. They are either very low cost or free so that everyone can participate.

Manna Gum Community House Committee of Management has a commitment to Child Safety.

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Well Done Awards

Room 1– Damien for great sharing.

Room 2– Indiana for being friendly.

Room 3– Peter for great leadership.

Room 4– Charlie for joining in class.

Room 5– Wyatt for having a go at surfing.

Room 7– Jazmin for a great attitude towards her learning.

Room 8– Leo for great work in the Coffee Club.

Room 9– Will for working very hard at his handwriting.

Room 10 -Nenita for giving everything a go and trying new things.

Homemade Strawberry Fruit Roll Ups

To make your Homemade Strawberry Fruit Roll Ups simply grab a pint of fresh, stemless strawberries and puree them. I used my handy dandy [Blendtec](#) but you can certainly use your food processor. Do not add water, simply use the fruit puree.

Spread your puree on a silicone or parchment paper lined sheet pan evenly. Use a spatula to help you. Try to spread as evenly as possible to it will all cook at the same time.

Use the lowest setting on your oven to bake. I baked mine at 65 degrees C for 8 hours. Start checking your strawberries at the 6-hour mark – When the leather is dry it is ready.

It oh so easy! I know it takes a long time to bake but since the oven is low you don't have to keep checking them all the time. After you try this Strawberry Fruit Roll Ups I promise you will stop buying the commercial kind which is full of sugar and additives.

Prep time takes less than 2 minutes and the 8 hours in the oven is so worth it.

Emily Ardley is one of our schools ex-students who was recognised for her drive and determination to bring an all abilities arts group to Leongatha.

CONGRATULATIONS EMILY.



Emily Ardley and Samara Cunningham are breaking down barriers and bias in South Gippsland.

Inspiring all abilities

THE theme of this year's International Women's Day is 'Breaking the Bias' and the aim is to embrace a world free from stereotypes and discrimination. This International Women's Day South Gippsland Shire Council would like to acknowledge the hard work of Leongatha local, Emily Ardley.

In 2015 Emily recognised the need for a South Gippsland-based drama group that would accommodate people with and without disability. With an unrelenting drive and a passion for performance, Emily helped to found an inclusive theatre ensemble called (it's) no drama. The ensemble has delivered a number of high-quality productions since its formation, including 'Party of One' which was created during the 2020 lockdown.

Council is proud to have partnered with (it's) no drama and have been deeply impressed with the dedication shown by Emily and the other inspiring members of the (it's) no drama team and ensemble, including Artistic Director Samara Cunningham.

We would like to recognise Emily for her contribution in establishing an environment where people of all abilities are welcome, and encouraged, to explore their ideas and to express their creativity through performance. Emily is an example of a strong local woman who is doing what she loves and breaking down barriers, and bias, along the way. Find out more at: itsnodrama.com



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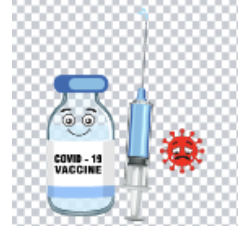
Words from the Office

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our students are to be congratulated on how settled they have been this Term. It really has been a really smooth start to the year. Well done to the students.

NEXT VACCINATION CLINIC

The next pop up clinic for 5—11 years old's is on Wednesday April 6th from 1.30—2.30. Please ensure you fill in the consent form located on COMPASS.



ILLNESS

This week we have had a lot of illness with both staff and students. It is important that unwell students are kept at home until any symptoms subside and they continue to test negative.

NO SCHOOL MONDAY

Monday is the Labour Day Public Holiday and school will be closed.

GOODBYE AND GOODLUCK

We say Goodbye to Mia Keane and Tracey Kenyon this Term. They are changing careers and we thank them for their invaluable contribution to our school community. We wish them all the best for the future.



RAT TESTING

Kits have gone home today to those students who attended school today. We would like to encourage all our families to try and test students twice weekly minimum—Mondays and Thursday.

ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent from school there are a number of ways of letting us know. Phone call, email, Compass message. Please ensure that the school is informed otherwise families will receive a text message from the School.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

On Friday March 18th, the Precinct Schools are joining together to make a stand against Bullying. Kara Redmond is our schools representative who has volunteered to take video footage of our staff and students showing their activism. She went to a meeting yesterday and spoke very confidently amongst the other students. Fantastic effort Kara.

PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS

A letter with Term 1 program costs for each room will be coming out to families next week. If you have already paid their contributions for the years you will not be sent a letter. Thank you.



Heather Braden
Principal

TOGETHER WE GROW.

Stay safe and healthy

Tania Pell
Assistant Principal

