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Newsletter

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We are delighted to be having our students as co-editors with our school newsletter. Our newsletters will now be published on a fortnightly basis - this will enable our students the time to share their experiences over that time. This term we will be venturing out each week to discover about our wonderful Otways and district.

The school council nominations have closed (one vacancy) and we are pleased to have Gillian Kennedy back for a two-year term. The last meeting for 2023/2024 will be held this Wednesday at 3.40pm

We are excited to have Ibu Yanti attending our school rather than over WebEx teaching Indonesian every Wednesday morning – this will enable students to be more interactive with Ibu Yanti.

Hopetoun Falls Recount

On Monday the 5th February 2024 Mr. Douma, Mr. Bennett, Tilly and I all went to Hopetoun falls and the Redwoods.

The walk down was great, the waterfall was beautiful, and we did some sketching while we were there. We also did a little scavenger hunt, I got all of them except for two; flowers and whistling wind.

On the way back we had to walk by ourselves to take it all in and I was calm and deep in thought about dinner because we had a couple of options but as soon as the stairs hit that all went away and all I was able to think about was how numb my legs were.



After all of that we went to the Redwoods and ate our lunch, but I ate mine while walking because I was very hungry. Then we sat down, and I was feeling a little bit chilled out because it was relaxing next to the river. That was until we saw some wildlife like fish and yabbies then we got excited.

Overall, it was a pretty fun trip excluding the stairs. The waterfall was amazing, the redwoods were their usual tall and intimidating selves, and the yabbies were a one of a kind find for me.
From Jesse Wilson



Barongarook Creek

On the 14th February Mr Douma, Mr Bennett, Jesse and I went to Barongarook Creek from the Bulla Factory to Lake Colac.

Firstly, we parked at Joseph Patch Reserve, there was some gym equipment that Tilly and I enjoyed but then Mr. Bennett showed us something cool but also sad, there was a cow's ribcage stuck in the mud, but it kind of grossed me out. We learnt that it might one day become a fossil. We started the walk and found this weird concrete structure and I thought that it had something to do with the sewer because nearby there was a pipe heading over the creek.



Eventually we had to part with the creek because we could not follow it all the way, so we ended up crossing roads walking down footpaths and over the train track, then we eventually arrived at the one and only Coles where a nice lady gave us some chocolate roses because it was valentine's day!



We walked past Coles back along the creek, where we passed the Information Centre. Following Barongarook Creek we went under some bridges, past the scout halls, through the sculpture park and we ended up on a small island surround by Barongarook Creek. We thought that was strange, but we continued over the foot bridge all the way to Lake Colac.

At the end of our walk we watched some fishermen, had lunch, and fought off the seagulls. We walked nearly 4km and we were a little sore and tired by the end. It was great to see how the creek is used close to town and practice our walking for the excursion to come.

By Tilly, Jesse and Mr Bennett



SCHOOL DIARY

updated weekly

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
19 th Mt Leura excursion	20 th	21 st School Council Meeting	22 nd LIBRARY VAN Swimming lessons	23 rd Book Club Orders due		
26 th Lake Corangamite excursion	27 th Mrs Melville CRT	28 th	29 th Polwarth Sports Day @ Alvie	1 st March		
4 th Triplet Falls excursion	5 th	6 th Mr Douma Principal meeting Geelong	7 th LIBRARY VAN	8 th		
11 th Lake Elizabeth excursion	12 th	13 th Naplan Tests Grades 3 & 5	14 th ART VAN Naplan Tests Grades 3 & 5	15 th Naplan Tests Grades 3 & 5	16 th KANA Festival	
18 th Mr Douma Principal conference	19 th Mr Douma Principal conference	20 th Wilbur the Optical Whale @ COPACC	21 st LIBRARY VAN	22 nd Mt Elephant excursion		
25 th Stevenson Falls excursion	26 th	27 th School council AGM & general meeting	28 th ART VAN Last Day term 1	29 th Good Friday		