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### **Learning Conferences**

Thank you to all parents and student who attended last week's Learning Conferences. Once again we had 100% attendance for these important conversations. It is incredibly supportive to have such strong partnerships with families as this creates a learning environment for our students that is open and encouraging on all sides.

We look forward to sharing further student progress in our written June reports.

### Swan Hill Cluster Camp

We are excitedly anticipating the upcoming Cluster camp to Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement. We leave on Wednesday 1st June and students need to be at school by 8:45am. Please let Mrs Kelly know if you are needing the bus run or if you will be dropping students with their luggage directly to school so that Mr Dellavedova can be advised.

We will arrive back to school at 2:45pm on Friday 3rd June (parents to pick students up at this time). There will be no afternoon bus run on this day.

Please return all permission and medical forms to school as soon as possible.

### **Pie Day Friday**

School Council approved the come back of Pie Day Friday starting tomorrow. Please send money in an envelope with the order written on the front.

Prices are as follows: Pies \$2.50 (85c profit) Sausage Rolls \$2 (80c profit) Primas \$1.50 (95c profit)

**Curriculum Days** 

School Council approved Thursday 9th (Professional Practice Day) and Friday 10th (Curriculum Day) as student free days. Please note there will be no school on these days.

As always, please contact the school if you have any questions.

Mrs Kelly ~ Principal

Monday 23 May

Footy/Golf @ Avoca Golf Club

Wednesday 25 May

Kitchen Gardens @ Amphi

MARC Van @ Amphi

Mon 30 & Tues 31 May

Principal's Conference @ Melb

Wed 1 - Fri 3 June

Swan Hill Cluster Camp

Monday 6 June

Footy/Golf @ Avoca Golf Club

Wednesday 8 June

Kitchen Gardens @ Amphi

Thurs 9 & Fri 10 June

**Curriculum Days** 

Mon 13 - Wed 17 June

Mt Buller Ski Camp (Yr 3-6) Information to be sent home ASAP.

Monday 20 June

FSA Cluster Day @ Amphi

Wednesday 22 June

Kitchen Gardens @ Amphi





Somers camp was established in 1931 by Lord Arthur Herbert Tennyson Somers who was the Governor of Victoria at that time! Lord Somers was passionate about community development, particularly in children. His aim was too create a more inclusive society where all people had the opportunity to be happy.

Olive and I went to Somers for nine days straight. There were many fun activities to do like the giant swing, flying fox, high ropes, rocking climbing, abseiling and many more! My favourite activities were the giant swing and flying fox. I was lucky enough to get picked to go to the camp although Olive and I were the only ones at my school to go. There were many schools around Victoria that got to go but only grade 5s and 6s. You could only have 2 girls and 2 boys which was awesome because we got to see our friends at camp from the Pyrenees Cluster, as well as making lots of new friends too.

While we were there for nine days we got to share a bedroom with 3 other people. It was like a little house but they called it a hut. In the hut there were 5 bedrooms and a lounge and bathroom but we only used 3 bedrooms because we only had 12 people in our hut. Olive and I were in the same hut but were not in the same room. The hut groups were the same as the activities group. Because of Covid, we were not allowed to mix in with other groups. All though we did mix with other groups during the night activities.

The food there was amazing! We got to have healthy meals and the best thing about the dinners was that they always came with very yummy homemade dessert!

By Eve Mortlock

I went on Somers Camp for 9 days. It was amazingly fun. There were so many fun activities to do. My favourite activity was the flying fox where I got into a harness and flew like a bird! It was so cool.

The chefs cooked really good food like stirfry, chicken and salad, lasagna, and lots more! The homemade desserts were just magnificent. There was homemade cake, vanilla slice, and fruit salads, ect.

The beds were so comfortable. I bought my sleeping bag and fluffy blanket to sleep with and in. I slept in a hut where there were four showers, four toilets and a teacher's room. The teachers room had toilets in side it. Every night my hut filled in a summary book where we talked and reflected about our busy days.

I was in hut #5 and I was number nine in that hut. In the mornings, around about 10:00am, we had an assembly where all the huts came together and we sang and gave out an award for the cleanest hut and my hut won it two times. The award was called a deadly earnest! It was a statue with one big foot and together with your hut mates, you were able to decorated it. A lot of kids got homesick but we all got through it!

By Olive Mortlock



### FSA Cluster Day Monday 16 May

The cluster schools; Amphitheatre, Landsborough, Moonambel, Natte Yallock, Navarre and Trawalla gathered at Amphitheatre for our Full STEAM Ahead day. The subjects taught included RRRR (Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships), PE, Art and Science.

The Foundation students explored help seeking in RRRR. They talked about who can help them at school and the students were giving strategies of how to ask for help. The older students were introduced to the topic of Stress Management. Students shared how they feel when they are stressed. They worked in groups to brainstorm what can cause stress and how their body reacts when they are stressed.

The PE lessons with Mr Franc and Mrs Miller worked on their Basketball ball skills in particular dribbling. Once the students had learnt the skill they practiced dribbling in games and challenges.

The Science groups were learning about the solar system with Ms L and Therese from Landsborough. The students acted out the movement of the planets around the sun. They also learnt about the stars and moons in the solar system.

Amy and Mr T from Navarre taught art. The students learnt about the James Rizzi who was an American pop artist who was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. The students were challenged to draw a

picture of their local environment using shapes to represent what they see. This was done in black texta only. The students were encouraged to include as much detail as possible to fill the page with buildings, trees, vehicles and gardens.

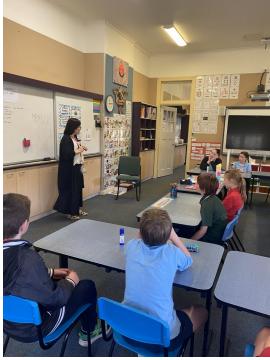
Teachers, Mr Tomp and Mrs Kelly gave all of the students an update on the upcoming camp. They outlined the activities included in the Cluster Swan Hill camp at the Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement. The activities associated with life in the Pioneering times that we will be experiencing include: rope making, butter churning, a cruise on a paddle steamer, a night time sound and light show and making peg dolls. Camp is on June 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>.

Our next FSA day at Amphitheatre is Monday June 20<sup>th</sup>.





# Full Steam Ahead Cluster Day @ Amphi

















## FSA @ Amphi Photos from 16 May

