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From The Principal

REFUGEE WEEK

We often say 'Have **COURAGE**' - You can do it! When we take on a challenge we risk nothing we still have our friends and family and a safe community to live in. Courage is easy when you risk little.

10 years ago I met our first refugee family from Thailand who had come to start a new life in Mt Gambier straight from the refugee camps. As time went by; more families arrived, the Karen, Karenni, Chin, Congolese, Afghan and Syrian, all seeking a better future. As they stepped off a plane with a small bag of their worldly possessions imagine how much courage was needed.

What would it be like without ...

YOUR FAMILY:

that solid foundation that gives you your sense of belonging. Imagine no grandparents, uncles, aunties, cousins to share your history or future.

YOUR BEST FRIENDS:

that you laugh with, cry with and share your closest secrets.

YOUR COMMUNITY:

those who look out for each other, celebrate together, worship together. The homes, streets and shops are all strange, all new.

YOUR LANGUAGE:

and the scariest thing of all, "Will anyone understand me?"

One of our ex-students said, 'We were afraid of everything'.



It is only with enormous courage that the families have survived, found jobs, finished high school and started University, joined soccer clubs and local churches.

They have had the courage to

- Risk it all and trust others
- Turn up everyday even if they don't belong
- To ask questions when they do not understand.
- Try, try and try again

I would like to say **THANK YOU** to our Refugee community for reminding us that you can be afraid, and have nothing, but still keep on smiling. For reminding us what really matters in our community as we have freedom in this country and we do not live in fear.

We value your courage and we are richer and stronger because you came here!

Jane Turner

Last day of term is
Friday 8th July
2.15pm

Emailing North Notes

In these days of modern technology and supporting our environment, we would like to trial sending out our North Notes via email.

If you have an email address and are happy for this option, please complete the slip below and return to the Front Office.

This will mean that your child will no longer be bringing home a hard copy of the Newsletter.

North Notes

Family Name _____

Current email address _____

Sausage Sizzle

Our Year 6/7 classes are holding a Sausage Sizzle Camp fundraiser on voting day **this Saturday**.



Come and vote at Mt Gambier North R -7 School and buy a snag for your trip home!!

SRC - Sport Colours Day

Just a reminder that tomorrow - Friday 1st July students are encouraged to wear their favourite sport colours to school.

SRC members will collect the gold coin donation from the classroom. All monies raised will go to the Sunset Kitchens.

Read this

MTGNPS Respect - Doing your Best - Fair go - Generosity

School Sport

A big thank you to both Heath Masters and Kamari Westland for coaching our Saturday morning school sport this term. It is only because of people like these two who are willing to give up their time that many of our children are able to experience the enjoyment of being in a sports team.

Merit Awards

The following students were presented with awards at our last Assembly.

- Room 4 Josh Wakefield
Sam O'Connell
- Room 5 Christopher Damhuis
Destiny Ferrazzola
- Room 6 Lola Geddes
Zavier P Timms
- Room 7 Jamie Roesler
Mystique Fraser
- Room 8 Daytona Ladner
Ebany Jones
Lilah Rowe
Remy Stapleton
- Room 10 Phoenix Jones
Nicholas Atkinson
- Room 11 Mikayla Williamson
Isabelle Paxon
- Room 13 Jye Patzel
Eliza Kentish
- Room 14 Anastasia Crowe
Riley Wandin
- Room 16 Charlotte Peberdy
Maria So
- Room 19 Jorja Sitters
Emily Mulraney
- Room 20 Drazic St John
Chanelle Davis
Say Law La Moo
Ma Myat Way
- Room 21 Bae Nae Ha
Brianna Griffiths
- Science Emily Mulraney
Domanic Edwards
- Appreciation Certificates
From Room 9 Alana O'Connell
Bradley Male
Jamie Williamson
Georgia Lord



What Sort of Start is Your Child Getting?

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per Year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

**Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?
That's when every minute counts the most!!**

School starts at 9.00am!!

Farewell Mrs Virjee

After 3½ years at Mt Gambier North School Ameesha Virjee is leaving us. We wish Ameesha and her family all the very best for the future and thank her for her contributions to our school.



On The Sick List



This week we have sent many children home with varying illnesses. If your child says they are feeling unwell in the morning, it would be advisable to keep them home.



Wednesday 6th July



Sponge Throw
Penalty Shoot-Out
Lucky Dips
Milkshakes
Haunted House
Pizza
Spiders
Hot Chips
Popcorn
Face Painting
Cold Rock Icecream
Pancakes
Lolly bags
Balloon Dart Throw
Car Wash
Jokes and Guess the amount

And lots more!
Nothing for sale
over \$2.50

Last Brekky Club for Term 2 will be on Monday 4th July


Important Dates

Brekky Club
Assemblies on 'even weeks'
Friday 1st July
Saturday 2nd
Friday 8th
Monday 25th
Weeks 8 & 9


Mondays and Wednesdays 8.15am-8.45am
2.30pm-3.15pm
SRC - Dress in Sport Colours Day
Sausage Sizzle - Voting in the Gym
End of Term 2 - Early Dismissal 2.15pm
Term 3 Commences
Junior Primary Swimming




Community Hub News




North School Community Cadet Corps
Wednesday's lunchtime
In the School Gym



Doing Your Best
Fair Go
Generosity
Respect



Centacare
A School and Community Partnership



For Children in Years 4 - 7
Leadership, Discipline, Concentration, Teamwork, Fun, Social Skills, Belonging, Community

Parental permission will be required.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

We have started the annual nationally consistent collection of data on school students with disability.

If your child is identified for inclusion, the required information about your child will be included in this year's data collection.

If you have any questions about the data collection, please contact Lisa Tapp. Further information about the Collection can be found at: <http://www.education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>



Community HUB Drop Ins

Monday	Bernadette ac.care Worker	9.00 – 11.00 am
Tuesday	Trudi Pastoral Care Worker, Re-engage	9.00 – 9.30 am
Wednesday	Craig & Daniel Centacare	9.00 – 11.00 am
Thursday	Trudi Pastoral Care Worker, Re-engage	9.00 – 9.30 am

Please note Bernadette, Trudi, Craig and Daniel are all available for appointments that can be made out of the above times.



08 8725 2824

08 8724 0500

08 8721 3500

Grab & Go @ North

We are very excited to announce an exciting new partnership with the Sunset Community Kitchen, ac.care & the North Gambier School Community Hub. A supply of take away, home cooked meals, are now available from the Hub. If you know of a family who might benefit from this or if you might appreciate this yourself, please contact Jane, Simone, a class teacher or send a private message on the Hub facebook page. This service is anonymous and discreet and is available to families within our school community.

TERM 3 SCHOOL SPORT

Child's name: _____ Year: _____ Class: _____

Please register my child for **Soccer** Years 3/4/5 only

T-Ball Years 3/4/5 only

Payment \$5.00 first child \$3.50 subsequent children/school card

I am willing to coach/umpire Soccer Yes No

Parent Name: _____ Signature _____

**Due back Monday
Week 10**