From the principal

Last Friday staff from Campbells Creek and Guildford participated in a full day of training for the Bounce Back! Social emotional learning program. This program focuses on developing resilient kids who are able to deal with the many issues that life presents them with.

It was an interesting day of learning and many ideas were presented on helping our students to develop their resilience and coping skills. The presenter, Therese Joyce (who is a university lecturer from Melbourne university), discussed the changes in student resilient over the years. One of the comments she made that struck me was about the difference in how kids dealt with problems in the past to how they deal with them now. Mr Quill, (who is rumoured to have been around for a few years now) was able to confirm this difference- by letting everyone know that ice packs weren’t around when he first started teaching!

After learning about the program and the importance of developing resilience in our kids, all the teachers have agreed the Bounce Back! Program will be of great benefit to our students.

What is resilience?
The ability to ‘bounce back’ after a problem has occurred and cope reasonably well with difficult situations.

What is the Bounce Back! program?
The program is based on a series of themes that are taught across all year levels. These themes have different activities to do at each year level and are designed to be revisited every year. The themes included in the program are:

- Core values
- People Bouncing Back
- Courage
- Looking on the bright side (optimism)

I have included some extra information on the Bounce Back! program further in this newsletter. (This will be become a regular feature of our newsletter from now on.)

A big thankyou to Georgina Clapton, Cheryse Carr and Renee Taylor for giving up their time on the day to make morning tea and lunch for the staff and all the visiting teachers from other schools who came along. Thankyou also to Chantal Pratt for donating some delicious cakes and treats for morning tea. There were many comments made by the visiting teachers about the effort our Parents Club had gone to for the occasion. Thanks ladies!

Have a great week everyone!

~Narissa
**Mother’s Day Stall**
A huge thankyou to the Parents Club for all the work they put into the Mother’s Day Stall last week. With the sales from the stall and the money raised in the raffle the Parents Club have now added almost another $1000 to their fundraising total for this year. The success of this stall wouldn’t have been possible without the very generous donations of many of our parents and community members. A very special thankyou goes out to Val Victor Gordon and Wendy Droney for each donating a large box of beautiful handmade goods and to Jane Laidler for donating a beauty gift voucher to our raffle. We certainly have some very talented people in our community! I must say my Mother was very impressed with the coat hanger, necklace and soap in a hanky I purchased for her from our stall...she had only just posted a message on Facebook the day before Mothers Day saying how she missed the special presents from the Mother’s Day stall! You could imagine her laughter when she unwrapped my special gifts!

Congratulations to the following people for winning prizes in our raffle:
- Melissa Usher
- Jacob Honeychurch
- Josh Paynter
- Gabriel O’Sullivan

**NAPLAN**
This week our year 3 and 5 students are undergoing the NAPLAN testing. The National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy testing gives us a snapshot of our students’ progress in years 3 and 5. We are also able to use the data to help us monitor how well we are ‘growing’ our students between these year levels. Results for this testing will not be available until later in the year. I am sure all the teachers and students will be looking forward to the end of this week of testing 😊

**Recipe Book**
The Campbells Creek Parents Club are hoping to revamp their family recipe book this year. We are therefore putting a call out for any great tried and tested, fail-safe recipes that you use and would be happy to share. Please drop your recipes in to the office or email the Parents Club on parentsclub@campbellscreekps.vic.edu.au

**Facebook Page**
Don’t forget to join our school Facebook page (Campbells Creek and Guildford Schools) for all the latest information about what’s happening in our schools. We have been posting photos and updates from our camps and excursions lately so feel free to join and keep updated.

**New Mobile Phone App**
Don’t forget to download our school mobile app. Search for Konnective in the app store on your phone.

**Friday Assembly**
Thankyou to Jasmyn and Chloe for doing a great job at assembly last week. This week’s assembly will be run by Jacqui and Taylor.

**Here and Happy Award**
We still haven’t quite made it to 100% weekly attendance for any of our classes this year. It is pleasing to see that the Gastro seems to be moving on and enabling our students to come back to school. Fingers crossed for this week!

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**Japanese Exchange Students**
A big Thankyou to the two families who have put their hands up to have Japanese exchange students this year. At this stage we will be having 4 students come to our school. This is sure to be a fabulous learning opportunity for our school.
Mother’s Day at Campbells Creek

Harry- Grade 1
On mothers I made my mum breakfast in bed. I gave her toast and coffee. I gave her a chocolate rose, earrings, mini cup of chocolate, a purse and a mug. We made her a salad lunch. We also made her spaghetti for dinner. She loved her presents. “I love my mum!”

Chloe- Prep.
I gave her lip balm and a pen and some paper, a book, an apple ornament that smiled. She liked the apple most. We had big noodles for dinner. “Thank you mum for being the best mum ever!”

Shaun grade- Grade 2
I got flowers, chocolate, mug with chocolates and a rose with chocolate we went to nan and pops I made a loom band with a charms on it. We had a fun day! Mum loved all of her presents. “I hope you had a good day mum!”

Rachael- Year 6
For Mother’s Day I got her chocolate, a cup, a bookmark. We went out for tea at the five flags pub. After tea we went home. “Happy Mother’s Day mum!”

Mitchell- Grade 4
For Mother’s Day I gave her breakfast in bed, I made her toast and coffee. I got her a box of chocolates, a button badge, some magnetic pegs, earrings. She loved the presents. “I love you mum!”
A word from Wendy

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This is definitely my favourite time of year and as I look around the grounds at our school the beautiful colours of the leaves and the greenness of the grounds look spectacular. Now is the best time to get into the gardens and give them a spruce up after the long, dry summer we’ve had.

We have been given punnets of seedlings, donated by Purtills nursery, as the first stage of the Buda Schools Garden Challenge. Jenny and her mum, from the gardening club, kindly dropped in and planted the seedlings in the garden beds. They even did a bit of quick weeding while they were here. Julie and Rheese have also been busy installing bird netting over the garden beds and tidying the chook pen. The garden needs more than just one or two people to maintain it though. We are looking into a working bee in the near future and also into the possibility of incorporating our garden into a Guildford Community Garden so that other keen gardeners have a place to come together and share in a common interest.

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Sovereign Hill Camp

The Grade 3/4 camp to Sovereign Hill camp in Ballarat was certainly a fun filled three days for the Guildford students. In fact, I have been told, it was the best camp ever!!! Those students who didn’t succumb to tiredness last Thursday, couldn’t wait to retell their favourite experiences. I didn’t hear a grumble from any student and from what I have heard, their behaviour and manners were exemplary. Congratulations to everyone who attended. Thank you also to Ange for attending with the students and for providing a familiar face and support for anyone in need. Here are a few memorable moments from the Grade 3/4 students.

Camp

On camp I was in a room with Madi, Ruby, Alesha, Leshae, Maddi and me, Chloe-Grace. On Tuesday we went in a gold mine. First we went on a tram to go down to the gold mine. Madi and I sat next to each other. It was dark for a while but then it was light. It was fun. Then we got off the tram. We walked in the gold mine. We followed the man who was taking us through the mine. Chloe-Grace.

Camp

These are the people at camp that were in our dormitory, Madi, Maddy, Alesha, Leshae, Chloe-Grace and me, Ruby. Firstly, we browsed through the town. Then we saw another school gold panning. So Ange, our teacher said we could go gold panning. We gave up and went to Ange. She said to ask the guy in the hat to show us how to gold pan. First Ruby found some gold, then Madi found some gold a while later. Then we went back to our cabin and had lunch on our beds. After lunch we got to play in our rooms. After that we went back to the town to look at stuff. Way after that we went to the New York bakery for dinner. They said we were having chicken and rice but we got pasta. For dessert we had chocolate cake and cream. Then we went back to the cabin and got
ready for bed and Chloe-Grace came.
Ruby and Madi.

Sovereign Hill
On camp in my room there was Michael, Charlie, Angus, Blake and two others. The best thing was the soldiers. I really liked it.
Alex.

LaTrobe Uni student
This week we welcome Jake who will be working for the next three weeks at our school. Jake is a 2nd year student at LaTrobe University.

Sports news
On Friday 23rd May, all Grade Prep-2 students will be participating in a Tabloid sports event at the Castlemaine Secondary College (Junior Campus). This is a Castlemaine PE network event and many schools from the district will be attending. The cost is $2. Students will be transported to the event by private car, departing at 9.15am and will return to Guildford at 1.15pm. A permission note is attached to this newsletter.
On Thursday 22nd May, Grade 3/4 students will be participating in an Interschool netball event held at the Wesley Hill Sports complex. The cost for this is $5. Students will be bussed to and from the event, departing Campbells Creek P.S. at 9.15am and returning at 2.30pm. Permission notes need to be returned by Friday 16th May.

Koorie studies with Sky
Every second Monday the students work with Sky Murray learning about local Koorie culture and stories. This week, the students heard a story about Tchinga the emu and learnt about the emu’s divided feathers. They worked together to create a large version of Tchinga which we will display.

Playgroup
Last Thursday we commenced playgroup at school from 9-10.45am. We had five children attend; Hunter, Xavier, Bonnie, Phoenix and Angel. It was lovely to see Anna and her two children Phoenix and Angel, who are new to our Guildford community.
If you are interested in coming along, please let Wendy know. Please also help to spread the word to any pre-school aged children in the area to join us. The more the merrier! There is no cost; just bring along a piece of fruit for your child to snack on.

Brekkky Program
Our brekky program has moved to Thursday mornings now at 8.30am. Come and join us for eggs on toast, yoghurt and hot milo. Pancakes will be making an appearance very soon!! The kitchen will be open strictly between 8.30 – 8.45 am. Don’t be late!!

Parents Club news
Last week we had a Parents Club meeting. We have some exciting things on our agenda. In July we will be running a sausage sizzle and cake stall outside the new Target store in Castlemaine. This will be on Friday 25th July and we
will be looking for helpers and items to sell. 
On Thursday 26th June we will be having a special opening of the new kitchen. The kitchen is finished and has been in use but we would like it to be officially opened, so on Thursday 26th there will be a special high tea during the afternoon. This will be an invitation only event as seats are limited!! Keep all eyes open as the time draws near for your invite!!
Finally, we are investigating the prospect of developing a Community Garden at the school. If you know of anyone who may be willing to help, please let Wendy or Ange know.

**Uniforms**  
As the cool weather arrives, many parents may be wondering about winter uniforms. We are currently investigating using a different company as the prices of the current one are quite high. Until then, students could wear long sleeved red tops or red school jumpers which can be purchased at most large retail shops.

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Mrs Walsh.

**Value of the week is Effort.**  
**Star of the Week:** All the Grade 3-4 students for making the camp to Sovereign Hill a pleasurable and memorable one.  
**Artist of the week:** Bella for her amazing, detailed sketch of the school building.