Network Awards
Last night I had the privilege of joining our School Council President, Sema Yilmaz, and the Thompson and Hiskins families in celebrating Elisha (Thompson) and Joel (Hiskins) as they each received an award at the annual East Gippsland Schools’ Network Awards Ceremony. Students and families from all schools in the East Gippsland Network were present as Elisha received an award for Personal Excellence and Josh received his award for Community Service. It was a very positive evening and very inspiring to hear of all the amazing things that students in our area are doing. Congratulations to Josh and Elisha and their families.

Congratulations!

Lunch orders need to be in the box by 9.30am.

Diary Dates
Term 3
Fri 4  - Student Support Group Meetings
- 3/4 Swimming
Mon 7  - 3/4 Production Grecical $2.00 person
- All spell-a-thon money due back
Tues 8  - 5/6 Personal Development Program
Thurs 10 - 1/2 Ball 6pm—7pm
Fri 11  - Zone Aths—B’dale
- SRC Foooty day—special lunch
Mon 14  - Spell-a-thon prizes awarded at assembly
Wed 16 - School Council
Thurs 17 - Star Gazing Night—watch out for a flier
Fri 18  - End of term 1.30pm

Term 3 Dates for students
13 July—18 Sept
5 Oct—17 Dec

Coming Up
Oct 27-30 - 5/6 Camp
Oct 28 - School Council
Friday November 13—Quiz Night  - date change to be confirmed
Dec 2 - School Council
Dec 9-11 - 3/4 Camp

Parent Opinion Survey
Forty-four randomly (computer generated) selected families will today receive the 2009 Parent Opinion Survey. This is a survey conducted by all state schools across Victoria and the results provide schools and the Department with valuable data that is used in schools’ reflections and forward planning. An explanation sheet is with the survey but if you require any assistance please do not hesitate to give us a call. Surveys need to be returned by Friday 11 September.

New work to begin
You will see some work begin around the school over the coming days. We have people coming in to repair the deck and various exterior sections in readiness for painting to begin next week. At some stage over the coming two weeks the student toilets will be painted and it may mean closing one set while the other is being painted. The painting and the other repairs should be completed by the end of the holidays.

Special Events
Next week we have the grand 3/4 production of Grecical on Monday night at 7pm followed by the 1/2 family Ball on Thursday night from 6 –7. We will look forward to seeing many of you next week to see the outcome of all the hard work, rehearsal and practice that has been put in.

SRC Footy Day
On Friday 11 our SRC will be holding a fundraising footy day. Students are invited to pay $1 to come along in their footy colours. There will also be a special hot dog lunch fundraiser which means there will be no bought lunches next Friday. Keep a look out for the flier with further information and the lunch order form attached.

Thought for the Week
The best index to a person’s character is a) how he treats people who can’t do him any good, and b) how he treats people who can’t fight back. —Abigail Van Buren

Please keep in mind that we have three students who have a severe allergy to nuts and nut products.
It’s time again for Paynesville P.S to hold their annual Scholastic Bookfair. This year’s fair is titled ‘Bookfair Safari’ so get ready for an exciting reading adventure. **Our books will be arriving on September 2nd, viewing days will be September 3rd, 4th & 7th. Buying days will be Tuesday 8th & Wednesday 9th September.** Last year our fair raised $1000 to purchase books for our Library. Please come and enjoy the experience.

**Outdoor Soccer**

**Registrations**

Tue 8th, Wed 9th & Thur 10th September

At Howitt Park, Princes Hwy, Bairnsdale 4.00pm to 6.30pm

(Experienced AND Non-experienced players welcome)

**Junior, Youth & Senior 7-a-side**

**Competition**

Mixed Boys & Girls under 12,14, 16/17, Men & Women (GSL East-Division)

(Only $60 Under 18; $85 Over 18 - Oct-Dec Season - no other fees payable)

**Junior Small Sided Fun & Skills**

**Program**

Mixed Boys & Girls under 6,8 & 10 (learn how to play)

(Only $60 for full program Oct - Dec - no other fees payable)

**Commencing early October, NO LATE registrations can be accepted.**

**For more information contact, East Gippsland United Football Club on...**

Email vanessa.lake2@bigpond.com

Phone 5156 8655 or 5156 2778 after 6.00pm (0417 518 108, 0413 007 436)

**TOUGHLOVE Victoria**

If your child’s unacceptable behaviour is making your life a misery.... Perhaps it’s time to get Tough with Love

**Your local support group meets every Wednesday 5pm-7pm**

At the community college East Gippsland, Cnr Service & Dalmahoy Streets, Bairnsdale

Jenny Coutts, Community College

Ph: 5152 2899

Jacinta Crealy, LINX Reconnect

Ph: 5155 8300

www.toughlove.org.au

**ALADDIN**

Live on Stage these school holidays at the Bairnsdale RSL.

Saturday 19th September

10.30am

90 minute show

For bookings please phone: 51523928

2 Forge Creek Rd, Bairnsdale 3875
In the Kitchen....

This week in the kitchen we have made Silverbeet, Leek & Ricotta Calzone, Surprise Salad and Apple Syrup Upside Down Pie. Just what is Surprise Salad? You will have to ask the students... Thankyou for the donations of Plain Flour this week. And just a reminder that there is no cooking next week; we will be having a week of planning and organising the kitchen. Happy Cooking!

In the Garden....

Our focus has been on ‘Spring in the Garden’, with discussions about the many things that happen in the garden, and nature, in Spring. The many task we have been working on in the garden are planting onion seedlings, lettuce seedlings & zucchini seedlings, preparation of garden beds, making compost, weeding, mulching and harvesting. A big thankyou to Growmaster for the huge tray of vegetable & herb seedlings and a big thankyou to Jesse & Simone Turner’s family for the donation of the mini greenhouse - what a wonderful addition to our garden, perfect for seed raising & propagating! Broccoli, Salad Greens, Celery, Leek, Silverbeet, Snow peas, Radishes, Oregano & Parsley were harvested for kitchen classes this week.

No classes....

There will be no garden or kitchen classes next week, we’ll see you again the following week - last week of term!

Volunteers for any classes would be wonderful - this program relies on volunteers for it to be successful, and it really is heaps of fun for everyone involved!