Term commencing from January 18th, 2016
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15th Annual Junior & Open Classic Tournament:
January 6,7,8 Events.
South Gippsland Tennis Coaching is now taking
term 1, 2016 enrolments.
Spaces are limited so get in quick!
Hot Shots; Red 4-7, Orange 5-8; Green 9+;
Squads; Privates; Tournaments and more.
Venues & Days: Phillip Island: Monday; Korumburra:
Wednesday; Leongatha: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday;
Fish Creek: Wednesday; Wonthaggi: Thursday;
*No terms from Monday 5th February to Friday 12th February
-all coaches away at tennis tournament*

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From the Principal
School Picnic and Concert
Next Friday night we will have a chance as a community to celebrate the year of learning for your children at our school. This is a very important event for your child and we are looking forward to sharing a picnic with you and enjoying a concert. As a reminder if you would like to have your *Morse Picnic* provided, you will need to place order through the office.

Class Allocations for 2016
We are currently completing student placements for classes for next year. If you still have any requirements for your child, please ensure that these are received in writing no later than from Monday 7th December. These requests should only be based on the learning needs of your child and will be taken into account as a component for next year. Our staff know your children very well and every effort is made to ensure that your child is placed to maximise their potential.

Next year Alison Stewart will be involved in a Teacher Transfer with Newhaven Primary School. This transfer supports Alison’s next progression as a school leader. As part of the Transfer, we will welcome Marc Ishihara to our school team. Marc is a highly experienced teacher from Newhaven Primary School who is keen to join our school team. He has across the school and has most recent comprehensive experience in the Junior School.

We will also be farewell甄 Jennay Rowe at the end of the year. She had completed a transfer from Wonthaggi North Primary School. She has been very committed to the school and we are very appreciative of all the extra efforts Jennay has contributed to our school and your children through classroom teaching, Billston Street Singers, excursions and the Year 2 Sleepover. We wish her all the best on behalf of our school community. We are also farewell甄 Helen Brien, who has taken a role working for a community agency in Leongatha. Helen has supported a number of children across the school over the last 9 years. Thank you also to Marg Calahan, who replaced Bianca Quinn on maternity leave.

We will be welcoming Emily Azazpoli as part of our team staff in 2016.

Our anticipated teacher structure is as follows:
Principal: Wendy Wilton and Narelle Brunn
Grade 1-2: Wendy Bradley, Megan Lea, Marc Ishihara and Emily Azazpoli
Grade 3-4: Louise Mace, Bel Vigg, Andrew Ingli and Karyn Thomas (2 days)/Alisa Gleding (3 days)
Grade 5-6: Chris Tarlich, Roz Whiteman and Jenna Elliott
Art: Phil Chapman; Music: Members
Physical Education: VB Rankin
Science Specialist: Karyn Thomas (2 days per week)
Education Support: Di Johnson, Katrina Pummaro, Chris Bundell and Faye Zappa
Business Manager: Robyn Ogilvie; Office Administration: Andrea Lower
Principal: Leonie Anstey; Assistant Principal: VJ Holy

We currently have an application for Maths/Science Specialists to be approved for the school.
If we are successful this will result in minor staffing changes. As soon as we know the outcome of the application we will announce the changes to the school community.

All children will be involved in a Transition Session on Thursday 17th December to allow them to become as comfortable as possible with their new class mates. We are endeavouring to have our new staff here on that day, however it will not be possible to have all of them due to teaching commitments at their current schools. (Our Grade 6 children will have Graduation Practice at this time).

Term Dates for next year are as follows:

2016
Term 1: 27 January (school teachers start) to 24 March (as 25 March is Public Holiday)*
Term 2: April 11 to June 24
April 25: ANZAC Day
May 10 to 12 NAPLAN Grade 3&5
May 13: School Closure Day
June 8: Queen’s Birthday
Term 3: July 11 to September 16
Term 4: October 3 to December 19 (Monday) – Last day students
October 29 Kids Mini Mudda
October 31: Student Free (Cup Weekend)
November 1: Melbourne Cup day
There will be two additional school closure days to be confirmed in early 2016.

Principal
Leonie Anstey

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FOR YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER
MONDAY 7th - FRIDAY 11th
• Artist In Residence Week
Annual Family Picnic Friday
Friday 11th from 4:30 - 5:45pm.
Artist in Residence Concert.
Friday 11th at 6:30pm
TUESDAY 8th
• DET State Wide Transition
Day and Parent Information
Morning:
- Prep Transition Session
9:15am - 10:00pm.
- Parent Information Morning
9:30am -10:45am.
WEDNESDAY 9th
• NO ASSEMBLY
MONDAY 14th - FRIDAY 18th
• Senior Learning Centre
Activities Week - Cost $10.
TUESDAY 15th
• Whole School Disco hosted by the SRC. $5 on they day.
WEDNESDAY 16th
• NO ASSEMBLY
THURSDAY 17th
• Grade 6 Graduation - Disco.
FRIDAY 18th
• SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - 9:00am
in the School Gym.
• Last day of School for 2015 - Dismissal at 12:00pm.

JANUARY 2016
THURSDAY 28th
• School starts for
Grade 1 - 6 Students.
FRIDAY 29th
• School starts for
Prep Students.
(Note: Teachers commence on
Wednesday 27th January)
ARTIST IN RESIDENCE WEEK - 7th - 11th December, 2015

This year we are pleased to announce Asia Raya (Grand Asia), with our program being led by two Artists, Aaron and Nita. They will be facilitating a week of music, puppetry and dance from Asia. Think talko drumming: massive traditional drums from Japan! Think Chinese percussion! Think Indonesian dance: graceful and expressive! Think food from the region and language classes!

Our Annual Artist in Residence event will commence at 9am on Monday 7th December, with a concert welcoming & meeting our Artists. Families are encouraged to attend this initial show and throughout the week when their child/ren have scheduled classes.

The week of workshops will culminate on:

- **Friday 11th December with the Annual Family Picnic** (4:30 – 5:45pm)
- and **the Annual Concert** (6:00 – 7:00pm)

Pre-ordered Japanese food will be available.

A weekly timetable and more information will be coming home in a separate note soon.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK

00A Violet S.  Working independently on her comprehension.
Kishore N.  Being confident when presenting to the class.
00B Patience L.  For improved confidence in her writing.
12A Samara S.  Great participation in Readers Theatre.
12B Callum C.  Setting a high standard in Reading Tasks
Jade D.  Working hard and helping others.
12C Peter T.  For being an independent person in the playground.
Milly J.  For always putting 100% effort into her work.
Will C.  For always coming to school with a smile on his face.
12D Jaxon W.  Sharing some very interesting facts from his home reading.
Jake M.  Staying focused on his reading task. Great Work.
34A Hannah B.  Keeping a wonderful work ethic, no matter what setbacks there are.
34B Hanu D.  Consistently giving her all in class.
34C Beau D.  Giving a great go at maths.
36A Paul F.  For being so well mannered and always putting in 100% effort.
36B Jessica M.  For creating an amazing Poetry Anthology.
36D Nichola B.  For displaying excellent research skills during her Mexico Project.

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READER OF THE WEEK

Ruth Chambers  Music Teacher

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PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Christmas raffle donations

Our last fundraiser for 2015 is our Christmas Raffle. If anyone would like to help donate prize/s towards the Christmas raffle, please leave your donation/s at the office. We want to make this year’s Christmas raffle fantastic! The raffle will be drawn at the last assembly on Friday 18th December.

A book of raffle tickets has been attached to this Newsletter and there are more available at the office if you need them. Thankyou all for your support and help with fundraising during the year to help make our school even better.

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MUSIC NEWS

Please ensure you have received a separate note containing information about next week, our Annual Artist in Residence Week. We’re set to have a wonderful week of celebrating our nearest continent, Asia. A pre-order, pre-pay opportunity to order sushi (delicious Japanese food) for the family picnic was also given to students. These orders are due by Friday this week.

Congratulations to this year’s Bilson Street Singers! Our final performance was at yesterday at assembly, where they were accompanied by Jesse Condrun on piano and Gabriel Moutafis on drum kit. A special thank you to Mrs. Jenna Rowe for her leadership with the Singers, offering her singing and musical expertise throughout the last Semester.

We have recently purchased new instruments for the Music Room. You’re sure to hear them!

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UNIFORM ORDERS

A Uniform Order Form was attached to last weeks Newsletter. If you are in need of Uniform for next year please complete the form and return with payment to the office on or before Tuesday the 8th of December. More order forms are available from the office if you can download them from our website at [http://www.wonthaggi.vic.edu.au](http://www.wonthaggi.vic.edu.au). Uniforms should be available for collection in the first week of school in 2016.