The Guim Tales
September 2015

School News

School 150th Birthday
2017 is the big birthday year but the planning is commencing. Does anyone have any old photos of the school and the grounds that we may borrow? Please contact Jeanette Kalinski at the school on either Monday or Wednesday if you can help us out. Thanks

The Lion King
Early in the term we were lucky to attend a performance of ‘The Lion King’ at the Regent Theatre. After a few hiccups with the trains being cancelled due to a line fault at Craigieburn, everyone piled onto a bus for the journey to Southern Cross station. It was a long day for the students but certainly worth it as the performance was wonderful.

Please Keep Your Dogs Out of the School Grounds
We would like to advise the community that at the last meeting, School Council ratified a Dogs in School Ground Policy. This policy stipulates that dogs (excluding service dogs) are not permitted on the school grounds for any reason without permission from the Principal. Unfortunately canine visitors have been leaving unwanted surprises around the school grounds and in the sand pit for the students to find. A copy of this policy can be found on our website.

Earn and Learn
The Earn and Learn Program is still going and we are doing well, but could do better. Tuesday, 8th September is the last day for collecting stickers from Woolworths Supermarkets. We greatly appreciate the community assistance we are receiving.

Our community on Facebook
Put into the Facebook search:
Darraweit-Guim-CFA for CFA News
DarraweitGuim The Where’s the Fox Hat site including the latest Guim Tales and other news
DarraweitGuimPS our Primary School

Closing date for the next issue: 2.10.2015
To include articles contact: Helen Callahan 5789 1305 or Viki Spedding 5789 1237

The Guim Tales is proudly supported by Macedon Ranges Shire Council
Happy Birthday in September to

Arliyah Wright, 1st
Jessica McIntyre 2nd
Sarah Robson 5th
Alana Maybus 5th
Hayley Bird 12th
Andrew Ferguson 12th
Alexander McDonald 13th
Kiéra Scott 30th

Old blankets, towels and old pillow cases wanted

If you have any old blankets, towels (even with holes) and pillow cases (without holes) that you are not using or throwing in the bin or taking to the op shop Helen Callahan is collecting them for a shelter.

Please, no pillows or cushions because they cannot be used.

If you have any please ring Helen 5789 1305 and she will pick them up from you.
Macedon Ranges Shire Council will celebrate the 2015 Seniors Festival, featuring events during October across the shire.

Local groups and organisations are offering a range of activities—from book clubs to bowls, croquet to card games, even a picnic in the park. You can even find out more about volunteering in Macedon Ranges.

For specific event details, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au or seniorsonline.vic.gov.au, or you can pick up a brochure from your nearest Council customer service centre.

During the first week of the festival there are also many wonderful events in the Melbourne CBD. If you are Victorian Seniors Card holder you can also make the most of free public transport as follows:

**Metropolitan trains, trams and buses and regional town bus (Gisborne and Kyneton) services:**
Sunday 4 October to Sunday 11 October, 2015.

**V/Line services:** Tuesday 6 October, Wednesday 7 October, Thursday 8 October, Saturday 10 October and Sunday 11 October.

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**Safer Commuting**

Did you know that some of our local cyclists’ commute to Melbourne by bike from all over the Macedon Ranges and Sunbury? Often starting before dawn they make the trip down and back; whether it is for health and fitness, training or to save dollars each cyclist that does not get in the car helps keep our beautiful region a little greener.

One part of their daily commute takes them onto the Calder Freeway near Organ Pipes Park and Calder Park Drive. There is no other way, no safe alternate option other than this 100k plus freeway with just a thin white line for protection. Unfortunately there has already been one cyclist very seriously injured.

We believe everyone should be able to get to work safely without fear of injury. We have asked VicRoads to build a bike path of 2.5 kilometres beside the freeway to keep our riders out of harm’s way. If you agree with us and think a major freeway is not a safe place for a cyclist to ride please support our on line petition asking that this bike path be built. Please go to Bike Safe Macedon Ranges Facebook page to show your support.

Margaret Douglas
President
Bike Safe Macedon Ranges.
Christm*as (in December)

Regretfully, the Brigade made the decision to cancel the planned Christmas in July and Service Awards presentation. We particularly regret the effect this had on those who had made an effort to make a real family occasion of this event. Our annual Christmas celebration is this year being upgraded as a replacement sit-down opportunity, combined with the presentation of Brigade service awards. Members, their families and friends are all encouraged to attend.

Dinner will be a roast prepared and served by a catering company. The cost per person to attend this event will be $20.00 per head with payment to be received no later than the 20th of November. Sausages will be sizzled for children under the age of 12 years, there will be no charge for this. This event is open to members, their families, friends and the wider community, so please book your seats ASAP to avoid missing out. Service awards will also be awarded on this night, and those due to receive awards can expect to receive notification shortly.

WHAT: Christmas Party & Presentation of service awards
WHEN: Saturday December 12th 2015 6pm Start for a 6.30pm dinner
WHERE: Darraweit Guim Fire Station
COST: $20.00 per person to cover catering. BYO drinks

RSVP: Please indicate your willingness to attend and make your payment NO LATER then November 20th 2015. As we need to advise the catering company of numbers this date is non-negotiable, if we have not received your payment by this date you will not be catered for on the evening. Any enquiries please contact Dani. 57891321.

Trivia Quiz Night

Another brilliant event, thankyou to the community for supporting it! We made a total profit of $1440.00 for the evening, and the mighty Neighbours triumphed AGAIN! Might have to dust off that WMD rule...

There was fantastic support from the community with prizes, and we would like to thank the following businesses for supporting the brigade on the night. Please think of them when you shop!

- Russo & Sons Fruit Wallan
- Romsey Mowers
- Blooming Produce Wallan
- Frosts timber & Hardware
- Romsey Butchers
- Landmark Dwyer - Kyneton
- CRT Kyneton

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