Throughout the last week the principal selection panel has met and completed their task. At this point in time there has not been a recommendation. The position will be readvertised on the 6th August. Thank you to those involved in this process.

Students in LA1 and 3 have been busy preparing for their buddy excursion to Sheepvention next Monday. We hope you have a wonderful day!

Some of our senior students have been busy mulching our garden beds and keeping the weeds in check in the vegetable garden during recess and lunch breaks. It is great to see students taking on extra responsibilities in the yard – helping us to keep our play areas nice and inviting, and organised!

With this very cold weather we are having it is important students are dressed warmly. We also ask that students be in school uniform each day. Many students bring coats which they can then wear when involved in activities outside. Please help us by ensuring all these items are named.

Have a wonderful week
Judy Hilbig

Woolworths Earn and Learn Starts During July - Please Help Us by Collecting Your Dockets and Sending them to School
CHAPLAIN’S CHAT – HOUSE RULES

Discipline will never be popular with children (or adults for that matter), but that doesn’t mean it isn’t important, and nowhere more so than in our homes. This isn’t all about punishment. An important foundational step is to establish a few clear rules, which are understood and practised by all the family (and yes, this includes the parents!)

1. With your children, choose 5 simple rules which you will all try to stick to. It’s important to involve your kids in this, as they are much more likely to keep to guidelines which they own.

2. Write out the rules and post them where everyone can see them. You may want to have more than one copy. Try to use positive language; for example “Speak with respect” rather than “Don’t shout”.

3. Remind each other regularly of the rules and be quick to praise your children when they are keeping the rules.

4. Be consistent. This means you need to keep to the rules yourself, and don’t give in to exceptions “I’m too tired to do that today”. If your children see you breaking the rules, they will see it as permission to do the same.

5. If a rule is broken, remind your children of it (or with older children, ask them what the rule is). If they continue to disrespect the rule, then there should ALWAYS be an immediate and appropriate consequence.

6. As your family consistently keeps a rule, you can include new ones, following the principles above.

If you can do this consistently (and parents sometimes find this harder than children), then you will establish healthy boundaries and give your children greater security.

Your Chaplain, Alli

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LEARNING AREA 2 NEWS

During Term 2, Learning Area 2 students became fascinated by the history of Ararat. They walked around Ararat locating homes and businesses that were built when Ararat was first established. A visit to the Langi Morgala Museum helped the students understand what it may have been like to live, work and play in the mid-1800s.