

Newsletter

Thursday 27th July 2017

Principal: Alex Artavilla
School Council President: Kylie Barker

School Supervision Times:

8.45am - 9.00am
3.15pm - 3.30pm

Uniform Shop Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday
8.45am - 9.15am / 3.00pm - 3.30pm

Key reminders:

- Footsteps Dance Program every Monday and Tuesday (depends on class) for the rest of the Term.

Dates to remember 2017:

Term 3

Mondays and Tuesdays
Footsteps Dance Program

Wednesday 2nd August
Parent Forum
Wonderings about Learning
10.00am Staffroom

Monday 21st – Friday 25th August
Book Week

Tuesday 22nd August
Parent Forum
How we cater for a diverse range of readers
6.15pm – 7.15pm
In the Library

Friday 25th August
Dress up Day for Book Week

Monday 4th September
Swimming Program Starts

Term 4

Monday 6th November
Curriculum Day – No Student at School

Don't forget if you have a sibling to be enrolled for next year, can you please hand in your enrolment as soon as possible to help with planning



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Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

Ok, sometimes at assembly I sort of just go with the flow and then end up doing things that sound like a great idea at the time! Whether it's handing over the microphone to another student, or playing a game that I invented that relates to one of the school values. Anyway, at assembly last week while asking everyone about some of their holiday experiences, I cheekily asked the students whether they would be interested in seeing the staff perform a 'Despicable Me 3 – Evil Brat' inspired dance at the Festive Concert this year! So far, I have yet to have one staff member come to see me to say that they don't think it's a good idea, which I've taken as permission to organise someone to assist us in putting something together! (although I'm not sure this challenge has been passed on to all staff!). Luckily, for me, most of the staff have yet to see Evil Brat's moves, which will make for a very interesting addition to our end of year celebration! I'll keep you posted on how things go! Also, if there are any creative parents out there that would be willing to make up to 50 purple coloured leotards with shoulder pads, I'd love to hear from you ASAP!

Peer Review Update

The first part of the Peer Review process was conducted last week on Thursday. The purpose of the first stage of the Peer Review was for the panel to develop overarching questions that we would explore further on the full day, which is scheduled for Monday 31st of July. The overarching questions include:

- To what extent is student learning data understood, analysed and used effectively to inform planning for point of need teaching, learning and to monitor student growth in literacy and numeracy?
- To what extent has, the school developed, communicated and consistently implemented structures and practices that will significantly improve the progress and achievement of students and build the capacity of staff?



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I'm looking forward to discussing these questions with the panel further to identify what we are doing well and what we can do better. The Team Leader will be joining us on the Monday to ensure that we continue to have input from as many staff as possible.

Attitudes to School Survey

Last week we received the Attitudes to School survey results for 2017, which was this year completed by all students in Years 4, 5 and 6 (in previous years it was only completed by students in Years 5 and 6). As a school community, we need to be extremely proud of the feedback that the students have provided about their school. It is a credit to the work that happens at home and the work that happens at school each day (by the teachers and all the staff). The feedback highlights how positive the students feel about the school. Some of the questions asked of the students included:

- Does your teacher expect nothing less than your full effort
- Does your teacher expect you to do your best
- Does your teacher help you to do your best
- Does your teacher tell you what you are learning and why
- Does your teacher believe you can do well at school
- At this school is there a teacher or another adult that cares about you

And my three favourite ones...

- Do you feel proud about being a student at this school
- Do you feel like you belong at this school
- Do you have friends at the school
- Does your teacher make you feel like you matter

This is just a sample of the questions that the students were required to answer! To see the results and the high percentage of students that responded by stating that they strongly agree (close to 100% for each question) really warms the heart (as stated by one of our staff).

Future Parent Forums

1. How we cater for a diverse range of readers
Date: Tuesday 22nd August 2017
6.15pm – 7.15pm
In the Library

2. 'Wonderings about Learning'
Date: Wednesday 2nd of August 10am
In the staffroom

Fundraising

Pop Up Book Store	\$4,757.88
Easter Raffle	\$ 928.00
Mother's Day	\$ 815.60

2017 Book Packs

Book Pack Payments are now due.

Your earliest attention would be greatly appreciated. If you require assistance, please see the office.

Thank you

Thank you to all the parents who completed the Uniform Survey, we are currently collating the information and will be able to report the outcome soon

The School Council
Policy Sub-Committee

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Parent Forums and Information sessions

Just a reminder about the up and coming parent forums:

1. How we cater for a diverse range of readers

Date: Tuesday 22nd August 2017 6.15pm-7.15pm in the Library. Notice sent home this week.

2. Parent Forum 'Wonderings about Learning'

Date: Wednesday 2nd of August 10am in the staffroom
The purpose of this forum is give parents the opportunity to:

- Ask questions to find out more about why we do, what we do
- Share ideas about different learning approaches that the school may be interested in exploring.

All members of the Leadership team will be attending this forum, which will be guided by the questions raised. Hope you can join us. A notice will be Flexi buzzed in the coming days.

Hope everyone has had a great week.

Alex Artavilla
Principal

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Student of the week:

Will be awarded at assembly

PREP

- A Fajur Dib
- B Madeleine Whelan
- C Catherine Lam

ONE

- A TBA
- B Faiz Mohammed
- C William Nguyen
- D Siarra McCarthy

TWO

- A Noah Parravicini
- B Matilda Kortlang
- C Tuba Yargi

THREE

- A Aidan Tournier
- B Say K'Bru
- 3/4A Abdullahi Mohamed

FOUR

- A Moujtaba Abdelbagi
- B Wiley Major-Kennedy

FIVE

- A Phillip Papanikolaou
- B Willow Howatt-Cikos

SIX

- A Elijah Meunier
Ribbon-Joey Monomai-Motuliki
- B Saham Ali

- Multimedia: Tristan Nguyen
Art: Kwe K'Paw Ba Aye
Sport: Daisy McKenzie
Spanish: Dylan Smith
Science: Manaiah Thillalem

**Congratulations Everyone
Great Achievement**

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Age Categories

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Category B: Primary (Aged 8 – 12)
Category C: Junior High School (Aged 13 – 15)
Category D: Senior High School (Aged 16 – 18)

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Step 2: Fill in the entry form

Step 3: Upload a video (max 30 seconds) telling us 'What learning a language means to you?'
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Step 4: Include a written script in English, translating the video content

Step 5: Submit your entry

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