

NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 21 June 2018

KEY REMINDERS

Parent Teacher meetings are scheduled for Wednesday 27th of June from 1:00pm. Book a time by visiting www.schoolinterviews.com.au and entering the code: k8pbc

DATES TO REMEMBER

Reports sent home

Friday 22nd June

Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 27th June from 1:00pm

Last Day Term Two

Friday 29th June – school finishes at 2:30pm. Casual Dress Day
Final assembly of term 1:40pm

Year 5 and 6 Camp

October 31st – 2nd November

Year 3 and 4 Camp

7th – 9th November

Year 2 Sleepover

Friday 12th October

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hope you are coping with the very cool weather! As you may know, I do enjoy the cooler weather as opposed to the seasons where magpies are out and about, and/or when it is so hot that you work up a sweat changing the channel on the TV. Speaking of magpies, (and my fear of those winged creatures), the office staff are preparing me for the time of year when they become very protective of their little ones. For the new families at the school, I grew up in a country town that had hundreds of very large (perfect for a magpie nest home) gum trees on every single corner of every single street. I'm sure that every living magpie from around the country use to travel to Cobram for the spring season to have their baby. Although I grew up in the country, our family home was in the town. Every morning I use to walk to my parent's shop to help out for the day selling fruit and vegetables. In every season but spring, walking to the shop took around 10 minutes. During spring, I virtually needed to leave home at 4am to get to work on time by 9:00am. It was like a war zone. Magpies could sniff my fear from Darwin. By the end of the season when their little ones moved on for a holiday up north, their parents were still swooping me for fun! It was a game to them! I was their entertainment for the day.

Moving to the city I thought that I had left them all behind until three of them seemed to have found out where I worked and set up shop in the big tree on the corner of Mailey street. Thanks to the bird loving nature of Tina in the office, these three magpies actually enjoy sitting on the railing outside the front office. I'm sure I hear them whispering to me each time I walk past them 'spring is coming soon'. However, the office team are helping me deal with the fear of magpies by giving me some strategies to use which has included talking to them about their day or giving them a bit of water on warmer days. Supposedly, during spring they leave people alone that they know and they believe actually care about them. I'm not sure there is any research behind this but I thought I should give things a go. Only time will tell! Therefore, if you see me sharing a coffee with a couple of birds please don't be alarmed. I'm just taking on the advice of the office team, as they have all supposedly never been swooped in their life!

Prep Performance

On Wednesday this week, families of Prep students were treated with a special performance! The performance was titled 'What makes the garden grow'. A big thank you to the specialist team and prep teachers for working with the students to support them in producing the show, which included props made in Art, moves choreographed during Performance Arts/Music sessions, and words translated into Spanish. The performance was part of their Term 2 unit of work, which centred around living things. You can see some photos on our Instagram page or via Seesaw.

Due to popular demand, an encore performance will be held at assembly tomorrow!

World Cup fever and the Footsteps Dance Program

Yes, I know there are many families out there that are enjoying the World Cup and hoping that Australia wins tonight! Fingers crossed! I also hear that the teachers are finalising songs for their classes to dance to as part of the Footsteps Dance program, which will commence in week one Term 3. I am excited to hear that two of the grades that will be performing together have selected the official World Cup song! Don't forget that the Footstep Dance songs will be performed at the Festive Concert Art Show at the end of the year.

Some big reminders...

School finishes at 2:30pm on Friday 29th of June. It is also a casual dress day. Here are some key dates and reminders going into the last week of the term:

- Reports will be sent home tomorrow 22nd of June
- School photos were sent home today with the newsletter
- Parent Teacher meetings will be held on Wednesday 27th June from 1:00pm
- First day of Term Three is the 16th of July

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School Supervision Times
8.45am - 9.00am
3.15pm - 3.30pm



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