Monday
17 March, 2014

DIARY DATES

March
18 School Photos
19 Library & Playground Opening
21 Harmony Day & National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

April
4 Last day of Term

REMININDERS

READING CLUB
Tuesday morning 8.15am in Library.

STUDENT BANKING
Banking this Friday 21 March.
See inside for details.

“Be happy for this moment. This moment is your life.”
—Omar Khayyam

From the Principal’s Desk….

NAPLAN Tests

This year NAPLAN tests will be held on the 13th, 14th and 15th of May with catch-up opportunities on the 16th of May. NAPLAN is a point in time test and to be a valid indicator of student achievement, should be considered alongside the many other assessment opportunities that students engage in at school. NAPLAN assesses student achievement in Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. The test content is embedded in the learning programs that students engage with through our school curriculum. Students have already started to prepare for NAPLAN in class. Students will participate in a range of activities to prepare for the test and ensure that students are familiar with the test format, language, response types and time constraints of the test. For Year 3, 5 & 7 parents, please look for a parent information brochure this week which provides general information about the NAPLAN tests. The brochure will also be available on the School Website. If you have any questions or concerns relating to your child’s participation in NAPLAN this year please make contact with your child’s class teacher.

Harmony Day

Harmony Day is this Friday 21 March. Students are encouraged to wear orange clothes or accessories and there will be fun activities provided on the day. Thank you to Mrs Stanley and Mrs Chambers for organising this year’s activities. See the back page for more information about what Harmony Day is about.

Social Skills

This week’s Social Skill message is “Let’s Take A Stand Together”. Teachers will be speaking to students about the three main focus points, which are: Deal Or No Deal, Help Is At Hand, Bully Free Zone. Please click on the following links http://www.psychology.org.au/publications/tip_sheets/bullying/#s9 http://bullyingnoway.gov.au/

and see the back page for more information. Thank you to Prep NJ and Mrs Nav and her class for organising the social skill for assembly. National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence is this Friday 21 March.
School Photos

As you all know School Photos are taking place on Tuesday 18 March. All children are involved in photos, even if you have not placed an order. If you have not yet returned your order form, please contact the photographer directly. Here is the tentative timetable for the day.

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Playground and Library Open Morning

**Why:** To celebrate the new Playground and revamped Library.

**Where:** Meet at the Library but grab a beverage and a bite to eat from the Coffee Van first.

**When:** Wednesday 19 March. Coffee Van from 8 am and the Tour from 9 am.

Welcome and Farewell

A special welcome to our new staff members Steve Conde (6/7B) and Francesca Jaiyeola (ESL) who began with us this week. This follows the successful appointment of Kay Bradley to our 2014 Curriculum Coordination role and Jenny O’Neill to the extended GEM role.

With increased enrolments and the development of our Great Results Guarantee strategy, our school has created the additional support roles for our classes. These roles will enable Kay and Jenny to support both teachers and students throughout the school.

Unfortunately due to illness Naomi will no longer continue as our ESL teacher. Please make Steve and Francesca feel welcome and we wish Naomi all the best.

Lockdown Drill

Thank you to staff, students, visitors and parents for participating in our Lockdown Drill last week. We appreciate the visitors and volunteers following procedures. The drill went very smoothly.
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Tuckshop opens two days a week - Wednesdays and Fridays. Wednesday menu has limited meals and some snacks and drinks. Friday’s menu is more extensive and we sell iceblocks over the counter at 11.15am.

ONLINE ORDERING
We have on-line ordering available for tuckshop. To register go to www.flexischools.com.au. We encourage you to use this website, it is quick and easy and orders can be done in advance to save that rush in the morning.

WEDNESDAY MENU
We have lunch size pizzas and vegetarian pasta available on a Wednesday only. There is Ham & Pineapple ($3.50) or Cheese & Tomato ($3.00) pizzas available. Yoghurt, fruit and drinks are also available. On-line orders close at 8.00am. Counter orders must be in before 9.00am.

FRIDAY TUCKSHOP
To avoid the long queues on Friday mornings you can order online. Cut off time is 8.00am on Fridays. If you order over the counter, please have your order in before 9.00am and make sure you have your child’s name and class clearly marked.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - 21st March
Tuckshop - Heidi Gerton, Lara Ghantous & Judy Dahl
Counter (8.30 - 9.15am) - Jim Posner & Paul Donati
Baking - Susie Levy, Jennifer Brock, Jodie Neilson, Kylie Harry, Michelle Logan & Jocelyn Parry

Thank you to everyone who supports the tuckshop. Terri-Anne and Jin

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Thanks Katherine

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Let’s Take A Stand Together

Focus:
When we take a stand together about Bullying we revise three of the main focus points. Which are: Bullying Free Zone, Deal Or No Deal and Help Is At Hand. The key messages are below.

Deal Or No Deal
- Say “Stop It I Don’t Like It”
- Say “Stop It” again and walk away
- If problem continues TELL the adult.

Help Is At Hand
- Teachers
- Friends
- Parents
- Grandparents

Bully Free Zone
- Hear It
- See It
- Feel It
- Report It

Assembly Social Skill Awards
Week 7 - “If It’s Meant To Be, It’s Up To Me”.

Congratulations to the following students:
- Prep/1M - Sammy T, Jackson E
- 1S - Dominic J
- 3SR - Jasmin B
- 3C - Meg M
- 3/4W - Alexandra M
- 5D - Vaishlan R
- 6/7A - Tahlia M

Assembly General Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students:
- Prep T - Asher L, Gus W
- Prep NJ - Chloe C, Rebecca H
- 1S - Oliver E
- 2M - Jackson M
- 5D - Henry M, April C
- 6/7A - Zoe W, Felix H
- 6/7B - Robert G

Harmony Day

On Friday the 21st March (week 8) we will be celebrating Harmony Day. The message of Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. It is a day to celebrate Australia’s diversity and to stress the importance of social harmony. On the day students can wear ORANGE CLOTHES / ACCESSORIES or a FAMILY NATIONAL COSTUME. A fun activity will be completed in the classrooms.