Monday 16 June, 2014

DIARY DATES

June
16&17 ICAS
18 Mini Writers Celebration
19 Athletics Day (Field 9-13yrs)
19 Class Disco (Yr 1)
20 Athletics Day (Track Yr 3-7 at New Farm Park)
20 Screening of Rise of the Eco Warriors
25 P&C AGM & Pizza Night
27 End of Term 2

July
14 Start Term 3

REMINDERS

READING CLUB
Tuesday morning 8.15am in Library.

STUDENT BANKING
Please note:
This Friday 20 June is the last banking day for the term.
See inside for details.

Upcoming City District Trial dates:
19 June - Softball (12yrs girls)
4 & 5 August (if wet - 11 &12) - Track & Field (12yrs)
22 August - Cricket (11&12yrs boys)
9 Nov - Triathlon by direct entry to MN trial (12yrs)

From the Principal’s Desk….

Social Skills
This week’s Social Skill lesson is ‘It’s Easy, Step By Step’. Mrs MacGregor’s Prep/Year 1 class presented the lesson on assembly this week. This lesson reinforces the school rule ‘Be A Learner’. This lesson aims to encourage students to learn a new or challenging task little by little, step by step.

NAIDOC Competition
ALL ENTRIES are due to our office by Friday 20 June.

Community Spirit Awards
Awards Special Assembly Monday 23 June at 2 pm (last week of term 2)

Track and Field Athletics Carnival
This week the Senior Athletics Carnival will be held over 2 days – Field Events will be held on Thursday 19 June and Track Events will be held at New Farm Park on Friday 20 June. All students will require a signed permission form to participate in these events. If your child’s permission form has been misplaced please contact the office for a replacement copy. On Friday 20 June all students in Years 3-7 will depart from New Farm School at approximately 9 am and walk to New Farm Park. Students will leave New Farm Park to return to school at approximately 1:30 pm. It is very important for any students taken directly to the park due to late arrival or for any students leaving from the park due to early departure that parents sign students in and out by reporting to the Recording Desk at New Farm Park. Please ensure that all students have applied sunscreen before school, have a hat and a water bottle as well as morning tea, lunch and snacks. Tuckshop is available for students attending New Farm Park. Please see the information provided by the tuckshop later in the newsletter.

House colours are: Binkinba Red, Teneriffe Green, Merthyr Yellow. Sports days are regular school days and students are expect to remain at school for the entire day.

Permission to Participate
Students in Year 3 – 7 must return their athletics permission notes to their class teachers as soon as possible. Students without written permission are not permitted to participate in the athletics carnival.

P&C AGM & Pizza Night
Date: Wednesday 25 June
Time: 5.30 pm
Venue: School Hall
All welcome! Please come along and join us for the meeting.

"Try to be a rainbow in someone’s cloud.”
Maya Angelou
Junior Athletics Carnival
Thank you everyone for your efforts in making the Junior track events fun and enjoyable, especially Mr Rainbow for such a great setup. It was a lovely morning. Our student leaders did a great job looking after their buddies.

Library Fun Projects
Each Thursday we are running special activities in the library during second break. Over the last four weeks we have had over 25 kids come along to enjoy kids trivia and most recently to do art, craft and play board games. It has been heaps of fun. Each week the activities may change so watch this space for bingo and a loom station! Spaces are limited so come early if you want to join the fun. We hope to see you there.

The Festival - Creativity and Literacy
This inaugural festival will be held on Thursday 18 September to celebrate creativity through performance and visual arts, literacy and literature.

We are looking for parent volunteers to facilitate activities on the day. Please contact Mrs. H. in the Library or Dyan Burgess for more information.

Cleaners’ Day
This week celebrates ‘Cleaners Day’ by acknowledging our wonderful school cleaners: Martha, Ellie, and Sandy. In most schools, the cleaners are often only seen briefly at the beginning and end of each day, as they go about their daily duties before and after the general school day. Our cleaners also do this and we really appreciate the pride they take in ensuring our school and classrooms are always looking clean, tidy and welcoming. But in addition to the usual cleaning duties, we are privileged to have cleaning staff that do much more than their regular work, they are a part of the staff and the school community. Each day I am greeted by a cheerful ‘good morning’ from Ellie and Martha. In the afternoon I see Sandy who is always so friendly and careful to go about her work while ensuring I am able to complete mine. I enjoy hearing the ladies greet all the students as they enter the school each day and hearing them all acknowledged by name is so special. We value our cleaners for their dedication to their roles and to our staff, students and school community.

Teacher Planning Days
As we head toward the end of term, teachers will be engaged in curriculum planning days. Specialist staff and other relief staff are rostered to specific classes over the next fortnight so that year level teachers have the opportunity to meet together to moderate student work, review data and plan for term 3 programs.

Transition to Secondary
Staff from Kelvin Grove College will visit and speak with Year 6/7 students on Tuesday as part of our support for students preparing and transitioning to secondary school.

MS Read-a-thon
The Multiple Sclerosis Read-a-thon is on again. Information and entry forms are available from Mrs. H. in the library.

It’s easy to get started and lots of fun. Ask friends and family for support through sponsorship donations for your chance to receive great rewards like gift vouchers and Apple mini iPads!

Lunchtime Disco!
The Community and Charity Leadership group are hosting a series of lunchtime dances again this year.

The third disco for 2014 will be for Year 1 students, and will be held this week on Thursday 19 June, at second lunch on the second bell.

Cost is $2 for admission and an icy-pole or $1 for just admission. There is also a prize for the best dancer, and the person wearing the best dance accessory! So come along, dance your heart out and have FUN!!
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

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Regards Katherine

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Social Skills

It’s Easy Step By Step

Focus:
Using a Coping Step Plan will help students to be brave with new or existing challenges. Breaking things down into small manageable steps can make them easier to achieve.

Looks Like
• Students working on new things
• Students happy in the class and playground

Sounds Like
• “I can break this hard challenge down into lots of little steps.”
• Students encouraging each other to make up and stay with a step plan

Feels Like
• Feels good to not be worried or scared
• Feels safe to stay on one step until you are ready to move on

Assembly Social Skill Awards
Week 8 - ‘You’ll Never, Never Know If You Don’t Have A Go.

Congratulations to the following students:
6/7A - Phoebe B
6/7B - Billie M-F

Assembly Student Awards
Congratulations to the following students:
1S - Caden M
1C - Lowana W & Ashwin S
2M - Nathan M & Zachary B
3SR - Amelia B-S & for Year 3SR
5D - Rio M, Justine L & Sarah N
6/7A - Ruby B

Mini Thinkers Festival
Some of our Year 5 students enjoyed the challenges of the Mini Thinkers Festival last week at Ascot State School. Following a sequence of quick paced thinking and team building activities, the students were expected to work as a team to solve a problem. Their solution, in response to the problem posed, will be performed in front of an audience this week at Windsor State school. Good luck New Farm!

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