Monday, 8 February 2016

**Dates to remember**
17th Feb Leadership Camp for School Leaders
17th Feb NRL visit with cowboys players
22nd Feb – 26th Feb Book Fair

**Principal News**

Dear Parents,

We are certainly back into the swing of things as we are now entering Week 3. Our day 8 numbers came in at 200 students which was about 12 more than we predicted. The number of classes will remain at 8 and teacher allocations will also stay at present. Thank you to all those parents and students who provided your support when we had to make some class adjustments in week 2.

Our school is hosting a Meet and Greet parent information sharing on Wednesday 10 February from 5.15-6.15pm. Our school will also host a free sausage sizzle from 5 pm for all parents, students and staff.

Religious Education lessons will start this week (week 3) on Wednesday afternoons from 2.30pm – 3.00pm all students will be allocated to their nominated religious denomination as noted on the enrolment form and will attend these lessons. If you do not wish your children attend RE lessons then we need a written request stating that you do not wish your child to attend.

Our school captains Regan Crees, Jove Thompson, Kalyah Ryan and TJ Seuters will be attending a Douglas Leadership Camp at Tinaroo Dam Environmental Education Centre in week 4. Our leaders will meet and work with other School Captains from the other schools in the Douglas Cluster and will develop our 2016 Action plan.

Last Friday our school hosted the 2016 School Leader Inductions for our 2016 School Captains and House Captains. Our Leaders pledged on oath of allegiance to the school community to uphold the values of our school and community to making our school ‘a good place to be!’ Congratulations! I look forward to working with them throughout the 2016 school year.

I will be attending the Regional Business Principals meeting on Thursday 11 February. Sharon Case will be Principal for the day.

We had 23 staff turn up on Thursday afternoon to update their Senior First Aid Certificate, thank you to those committed staff.

What a fantastic start to the year, it is wonderful to see such excellent attendance from our students. This year we will continue to reward the class with the highest attendance with a weekly certificate. We will also award a monthly pennant to the class with the highest attendance each calendar month. At the end of each term, the class with the highest attendance for the term will be rewarded with an excursion. At the end of week two, our highest attending class is Prep with an attendance rate of 99.9%. Well done Preppies!
STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Prep Rikki – Working quietly and being a learner
Prep1 Peyton – Always sitting quietly on the carpet with 5 L’s of listening.
Carmelia – Being an enthusiastic learner who is always trying hard.
1/2 Hunta – Effectively using a number line to solve 2 digit additions.
2/3 Tila – Always trying her best and following teachers instructions.
4/5 Appun – Excellent efforts writing two adjective sentences.
Yr 5 Jaymi – Working diligently and always trying her best.
Pharoh – trying his best in literacy and numeracy.
Yr 6 Neola – Settling into year 6 well and being a cheerful class member.
SEP Kairisha – For working extremely hard at finishing all her activities.

Leaders Induction

Congratulations to our new school captains and house captains who were inducted into their positions at parade on Friday. Each student read their leadership oath and received their badges. We look forward to working with all our new captains.

2016 School Captains
Jove Thompson
Reagan Crees
Kalyah Ryan
Tejay Suters

2016 House Captains
Kennedy: Wazan Mabo, Cain and Seth Perry
Jardine: Christopher Rennie and Zak Kessler
Leichhardt: Adam Pashen and Latavia Gibson
Welcome back. It has been a great start to the new year and the Prep / 1 class has settled in well. They are doing a great job at sL’s of Listening, sL’s of Lining up and walking quietly around the school. All students are trying hard at everything they do. We have been singing “Bee Bee Bumble Bee” to learn our friends names.

sL’s of Listening

Getting to know each other through play activities.
50c a Guess

To build excitement in the lead up to Book Fair and, in keeping with the theme of Monsters - reading is so much fun, you'll get goosebumps, the Library is holding a Guessing Competition.

The aim of the Competition is to guess how many Monster eyeballs (marbles) are in the Monster Money Boxes (pictured above). Each guess will cost 50c and the person with the correct guess of, or closest guess to (without going over) the amount of eyeballs (marbles) in the chosen Monster Money Box, will win that Monster Money Box of marbles.

The competition will commence on Monday, 13 February and winners will be decided and prizes awarded prior to the completion of Book Fair.

Guesses can be made in the Library at lunch times and at the Book Fair.

So bring your 50c pieces and see if you can guess the number of eyeballs.

Good luck with your guesses!!!

Kay Pike & Julie Cebb
Book Fair Co-ordinators

METEORS SWIMMING CLUB NIGHT!
5PM FRIDAY 19TH FEBRUARY
@ THE MOSSMAN POOL

JOIN US FOR A FUN AND SOCIAL EVENING OF SWIMMING, BBQ, MUSIC AND PRIZES!

MEET OUR COACHES

RACE AGAINST THE CLOCK IN A FRIENDLY AND SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SWIMMING WITH US BUT ARE NOT YET SURE IF YOU WANT TO SIGN UP, COME AND FIND OUT MORE. SWIM AS A VISITOR AT OUR FIRST CLUB NIGHT FOR A FEE OF $5.

FOR CATERING PURPOSES PLEASE RSVP BY MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY
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