Senior Sub School Newsletter

September 2015

Dates to remember:
- Fri 4th Sept - Father’s Day Stall
- Fri 4th Sept - District Athletics Carnival for selected students
- Thurs 10th to Thurs 17th Sept—Book Fair
- Fri 18th Sept—Fun Food, Footy colours dress-up and tabloid sports
- Fri 18th Sept — Last day of Term 3 —2:30pm dismissal
- Mon 5th Oct—Term 4 begins
- Fri 9th October—Welcome back BBQ breakfast 8am to 9:30am

Senior School Production
The senior school production was a huge success. The students relished the experience being on stage and made their parents and teachers very proud!! Well done to everyone involved. Can’t wait to view the DVD!!!

Literacy

Daily 5 How does it work?
Students select from five authentic reading and writing choices, working independently toward personalised goals, while the teacher meets individual needs through whole-group and small-group instruction, as well as one-on-one conferring. These choices include:

- Read to Self,
- Work on Writing,
- Read to Someone,
- Listen to Reading and
- Word work

Mathematics

Do Daily:
Everyday the children participate in 15 minute of maths games. These games are designed to develop conceptual understanding and the ability to recall and apply knowledge rapidly and accurately.

Some examples of these games include;

- 7 rolls, 2 minutes challenge, salute, secret pairs and greedy fractions.

Try playing some of these games with your children!!

Inquiry

During our communication topic there are essential questions and understanding we want the students to explore. The Essential Questions for a communication unit include;

- I can understand emotions/feelings through body language and facial expressions
- I can identify the key points being made during a short presentation
- I can read social situations and respond appropriately
- I can pose appropriate questions that clarify/extend my understanding of information presented orally.
Book Week

Book week celebrates outstanding contribution to Australian children’s literature. Well done to all the students and teachers for the creative characters that were on display at our book week parade. Can you spot any famous book characters???

Cyber Safety—eSmart

As part of our eSmart journey, we think it’s time to have a definition of cyberbullying and provide everyone with some resources. The government recently commissioned the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner to handle issues with cybersafety.

Below is a definition of bullying and cyberbullying from The Alannah and Madeline Foundation:

Bullying is when a student or a group of students with more power, repeatedly and deliberately uses negative words and/or actions against another student that causes distress and create a risk to their wellbeing.

Cyberbullying originates from the same basic human behaviours. The mediums used can increase its frequency – making it 24/7 and creating a permanent reminder of the messages expressed or implied.

You can find more information on how to help your kids and guide them through a digital world by looking at the parents resource sections on:


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