Parent Information Night

Parent Information Night will be held at 6pm on the 12th of February. Our format for this night is going to change for this year. Instead of each learning team holding their own information sessions, we will run 1 whole school information session in the gym. This way the school community can hear the same message, I can introduce all staff and then at the conclusion you can speak with your child’s teacher in the classroom if you have any burning issues. We will then hold the Governing Council AGM in the staffroom at 7pm, where we will accept and vote on Governing Council nominations, allocate roles and look to modify and ratify the budget. We welcome new members to Governing Council so feel free to nominate or just simply rock up on the night.

Week 2 Blues

I trust that your child’s Week 1 experience went well. I would suspect that there would have been a few hiccups as students, parents and teachers find a common ground as school communication makes its way into the community. What we will find for some is that the Week 2 blues will begin soon! This is where the excitement of school wears off, and the desire to stay at home and play with Mum and Dad gets greater. It is sometimes harder to get your children ready for school, they might be more emotional than usual and get angry and aggressive towards you. THIS IS NORMAL. Please ensure that you stay calm and help them with whatever they need. It takes great patience, but that is why we are the adults… Luckily we have the excitement of swimming for the next few weeks.

You will also notice that your child may be eating more than usual and needing to go to sleep a lot earlier. Use these moments to ensure that they get lots of healthy food for tea and a bedtime routine is established to allow a good night’s sleep. Please refrain from allowing your child to have a day off to rest. This starts a cycle of being allowed to stay home and I can assure you that it is a hard cycle to break. Most importantly try and catch your child’s teacher before or after school or via email if issues arise.
**Canteen News**

**Wednesday Specials**
Week 1 Tuna Mornay $5.00  
Week 2 Quiche $5.00  
Week 3 Butter Chicken & rice $5.00  
Week 4 Baked Potato $5.00  
(Baked Spud - Opt1: Coleslaw, beetroot, pineapple, butter, ham, sour cream.  
Opt2: Bolognaise Sauce, cheese, butter)  
Repeat

Everyone should have a copy of our Term 1 Price List.  
If you would like another, please ask at the front office or canteen.

**Volunteering:**
Would you like to volunteer in the canteen this year? Would you like more information on what happens in the canteen? Please see Denise.

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**Library News**

We have a new library manager in our library as Mrs Noll retired at the end of last year. We have Amanda Fullerton in this role for 2018 and she is eager to add her touch to the library. Watch this space.

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**Office News**

- **Coles Sports for Schools:** Every $10 spent at Coles* during the program, will earn a Coles Sports for Schools voucher. The more vouchers our school collects, the more gear we could receive. Please bring in your vouchers and place them in the bin provided in the front office.
- **Student Diaries:** Are available for $2 from the front office if your child happens to misplace theirs.
- **Replacement JP Blue Communication/notes/book bags** are also available from the front office for $12 each.

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**Can you help?**

Are you able to weld/repair some metal stumps for Simon Robinson?  
If so, please let Simon or the front office know.
Supporting Children’s Wellbeing

The role of the Student Wellbeing Leader (formally known as School Counsellors)

Student Wellbeing Leaders are qualified teachers in the school wellbeing team with additional professional knowledge, skills and experience for promoting wellbeing and learning.

They have a number of different roles in the school such as:
+ Teaching alongside other classroom teachers
+ Providing resources and curriculum programs that develop wellbeing
+ Strengthening family - school relationships and building connections with community groups
+ Providing wellbeing intervention to support individual student wellbeing needs

How can a Student Wellbeing Leader support children?
+ Listen to their concerns
+ Promote positive approaches to preventing and responding to bullying
+ Help children develop resilience and life skills
+ Help children problem solve
+ Provide support for children to develop confidence and skills
+ Work together with teachers, parents and carers
+ Seek more specialised support when it is needed (i.e. referrals to appropriate services)
+ Support children’s rights, encouraging student-led learning and helping children to take an active part in all areas of school life

If you have any questions or concerns for your child’s wellbeing please visit Mr Morris in the office or call the school on 86 436 020.
You can only reply to the SMS text message that you receive re: student absences/lateness.

When ringing the school with a message for your child; please do so before lunch. We cannot guarantee that we can pass on messages after this as students may be out of the classroom and unreachable by phone.

Student Absences

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Reception classes to visit Arid Lands for our topic on Sustainability. Travel by bus to have recess & lunch & explore outdoor garden. $4/student. (TBC)

Reception classes to spend day at Mambray Creek. Travel by bus. Camp fire, explore, sausage sizzle lunch, play in creek. $6/student

Reception classes travel to Whyalla via bus to watch a performance. $15/student.

RAVE Fundraiser Disco: Lunchtime in the gym. Gold coin entry

Communication

We use the School Stream App to help us communicate with families of SNPS. If you haven’t already downloaded the app, please do so. You are able to access notes, newsletters, canteen price lists, etc and Alerts are also sent home to remind you of events which are happening at the school.

End of Day Reminder:
Every Monday we finish at 2.25pm.
Please be on time to collect your child/ren from school.
If you are finding it too hard to pick them up at this time, please consider booking them into OSHC.

OSHC can be contacted on 0447133675

DMC Proposals 2018

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