

Dear Parents,

It was great to see the Prep/1 grade celebrating the 100 days of school yesterday. Each day they use the count to consolidate their knowledge of place value, money, skip counting, bundling and making sums. Yesterday they had to estimate and time themselves seeing how many times they could do something 100 times. Some wore 100% of one colour and some were very creative and made their lunch look like 100! Thanks to everyone involved that helped make this day special for the students.



Today some families will receive an envelope with the 'Parent Opinion Survey' in it. The survey is an important part of every school's parent engagement strategies and assists with future planning and improvement. Parents are randomly selected to participate in the annual survey which is confidential and anonymous. If you receive an envelope I encourage you to fill it in honestly and return it to school by 4th August.

I had a visit from a few girls in Grade 6 today who want to put their efforts into raising money for the RSPCA. The girls are organizing a fundraiser for the 15th August. More details will follow next week. I think it is wonderful we have such community minded citizens who are willing to put in some hard work to raise money for something they believe in. Great job girls!!

Our lost property pile is beginning to grow again with some of the varied weather we have been having. Although it's nice to see the sun hang

around for longer in the days when it decides to come out, it does mean that students warm up when playing at recess and lunch. We are trying to keep on top of it as much as possible but have sometimes been hampered when there are several names on the tags or items aren't named at all. It's great we have the ability to re-use clothing, however if you could please ensure that there is an effort in making the old names less visible, this would help getting items back to students.

We received an email last night notifying us that our Year 1 students are currently sitting 2nd nationally for Word Mania! This is out of 1500 schools using the program. Word Mania is part of the Literacy Planet computer resource the school uses and is able to be used at home as well. It operates like Boggle and asks students to create as many words as possible within a 3 minute period from a random letter selection. Keep up the great work Year 1's! Our other grades are also progressing well over the practice period placing in the top 3 for this area.

Adam Downes - Principal

HEALTHY TOGETHER CHILDEN'S EVALUATION

Deakin University is currently carrying out a research project on all students in Years 4, 6, 8 & 10 in Victorian Schools. This involves data collection around students' heights, weights, waist measurements, active time and screen time. If students are not comfortable giving some of this information, they are able to say so and will not have to. All year 4 and 6 students were given an information letter about this on Monday. It also includes an opt-out letter to be filled out if you do not wish for your child to be part of this study. Spare copies of this information are at the office if you did not receive one.

PARENTS & FRIENDS CHOCOLATE DRIVE

This term the P&F committee will be running the Cadbury chocolate fundraiser. Boxes will be sent home with the eldest student in the family on Friday 5th August. If you do not wish to participate please contact Leanne Kamphuis on 0408 363 870 or let the office know by next Tuesday 2nd August. Thank you in advance for your participation.

MUSIC LESSONS

Tania Baldwin has been giving private music lessons here at school for the past few years. Tania is able to teach keyboard/piano, guitar, flute/recorder and clarinet. If you would like further information please phone or text Tania on 0448 924 340.

DATES TO REMEMBER		
26 th -28 th July	Tue-Thu	Book Fair in Multi-Purpose Room – 3:00 – 4:00pm
28 th July	Thu	P&F Spaghetti Bolognese Hot Lunch Day
31 st July	Sun	Working Bee 10:00am – 1:00pm
4 th Aug	Thu	Grade 6 Graduation Lunch Fundraiser Orders Due In
5 th Aug	Fri	P&F Chocolate Drive – Boxes being sent home today
8 th Aug	Mon	Grade 6 Graduation Lunch Fundraiser Day
28 th Aug	Fri	Toy Catalogue Orders/Payment Due In

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
For Week Ending 22nd July 2016



P/1	Brodie Morris	For using class time productively and always completing his school work.
1/2	Darcy Tulloch	For his keen attitude during Maths, especially following up the cornflake activity.
3	Jessica Ruff	For her positive attitude and fantastic effort in all areas.
4/5	Benjamin Meyer	For making impressive decisions about his learning and his excellent contributions to discussions.
5/6	Blake Jenkins	For doing some great thinking about setting savings goals and ways to earn money.
Art/Music	Cody Tapai	For his excellent efforts to improve his cuttings skills – especially when cutting out his teddy bear.
	Olivia McInnes	For her love of Art and persistence to learn how to make a pom pom.
P.E.	Cassie Matthews	For her excellent efforts in P.E. learning double dutch.
	Grant Jenkins	For showing determination and persistence during P.E.

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Working Bee

Sunday 31st July

10:00am – 1:00pm

Our next working bee is scheduled for this Sunday 31st July beginning at 10:00am. Some of the tasks we are hoping to get done are relocating sand to the sandpit, spreading mulch, beautifying the front garden, cleaning drains.

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, it would be great to have as many people come along as possible as many hands make light work. Also a reminder that you don't need to stay for the whole time, even if you can spare an hour or so it all makes a difference.



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Money Matters – Reports by Grade 3

Grade 3 to Grade 6 went to a session called Money Matters. There was a lady called Lauren in charge. Her nickname was Lolly. She taught us about saving and spending. She also taught us about if you have a credit card and you spend the money you have a month to pay it back. If you don't you have to pay a little bit extra and if you have a key card you can only use the money you have in the bank, not the banks money.



Lauren dressed up as Coach Cash and she showed us that if someone used their key card that the bank (Leo) would use the internet to confirm the shop owner (me) that they had enough money to purchase what they wanted or needed.

Lauren taught us about needs and wants. The things we need are water, food clothes and shelter and the things we want might be money so we can buy what we want. Wants for a two years olds might be attention. Wants from nine year olds might be money. Wants for adults might want a cup of coffee or lots and lots of quiet time at home.

By Lizzie Ralph

Saving is as important as spending because when you save you can get better things and when you spend you get all of the things that you need and want. A bank is a place where you can keep your money safe and when you put your money in the bank it's called depositing. When you deposit you give money to the bank and they give you your very own account and key card to go with it.

Cash is money and there are 5 cents, 10 cents, 20 cents, 50 cents, \$1 coins, \$2 coins, \$5 notes, \$10 notes, \$20 notes, \$50 notes and \$100 notes.

You should really spend on what you need and not really what you want. Needs are things you need for survival like clothes footwear food water somewhere to live.

By Alannah Harkess

Our grade went to the assembly room to learn about money. I learnt that a key card has your own money on it. We did five star jumps and then we did three and then one star jumps to warm up. We talked about needs and wants where in needs you buy stuff you need to live. We trained to be ultimate champions. We played a game where Coach Cash (the teacher) said to keep our money safe and we said "sounds good" and if it was a bad spot we would say "Are you serious?"

By Aidan Prior

Silver Beet and Ricotta Pastries – Lunch Order

On Monday 8th August the Grade 5/6 class will be preparing silver beet and ricotta pastries with produce grown in our school veggie patch. These are \$3.50 each and Fruit Boxes are also available to order for \$1.50 each. All proceeds will go towards the Grade 6 graduation. Please return slip with money to the office by Thursday 4th August. For information regarding ingredients please contact the office or Simone (04277 23582).

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GRADE 6 GRADUATION FUNDRAISER LUNCH ORDER Monday 8th August

Student Name:..... Grade:.....

Spinach and Ricotta pastries - \$3.50 each Quantity

Fruit Box - \$1.50 each

Apple

Orange

Tropical

Money enclosed: \$.....

**PLEASE RETURN ORDERS WITH PAYMENT TO THE OFFICE
BY THURSDAY 4TH AUGUST - THANK YOU**