Issue 3

February 12, 2015

Dates to remember:

Friday, February 13

Assembly 2.30pm

Tuesday, February 17School Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 18

No preps at schoolassessments

Friday, February 20

Assembly 2.30pm

Wednesday, February 25

No preps at school-assessments

Friday, March 6

Welcome BBQ and 2015 SWPBS Launch

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News



Open Art Sessions—Parents Welcome

Parents and carers are invited to attend their child's Art Sessions each week. Mrs Mutton and Jodie from PAKS will continue to run the weekly program each Thursday and parents are invited to get involved, be creative and have some fun with their children. The session times for each grade are:



Thursday

9-10am: JM • 12:25-1:25: HD • 10-11am: KL

• 2:15-3:15: JH • 11:25-12:25: KC

Brianna Howell—Principal for the Day

Tomorrow, Brianna Howell will be our first Principal for the Day for 2015. Brianna has earned this reward through consistent positive behaviour in our SWPBS system. Nikita Vigar has also earned a similar number of reward points and on the 27th February she is looking forward to taking on the job.

School Council Elections

We will shortly be holding elections for several parent and community vacancies on School Council. Details will be published in next week's Newsletter.

Early Notice—Welcome BBQ and 2015 Launch of SWPBS

On Friday March 6 all parents are invited to come to school to participate in a short activity in your children's classroom, then stay for a free BBQ, Coffee Van and the School Assembly. More details as we get closer to the date.

2015 House Captains and Vice-Captains

The children have elected their Leaders for 2015. These will be announced at this Friday's afternoon assembly.

Prep Afternoon Tea

We held an enjoyable afternoon tea for Prep parents on Tuesday.

Thanks to all who were able to come along. There were lots of worthwhile conversations about the children and their new experiences at school. If you were unable to make it, please feel free to stop and have a chat with Mr Speight or Mr Smith any time. Mrs Devereaux would also love a chat, but needs a little more notice, as it is impossible for her to concentrate on you while she is teaching the other children. A time before or after school can be arranged.

Last Monday's Curriculum Day

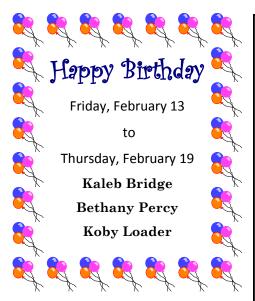
On Monday all the staff went back to school to learn how to further improve our teaching. We focussed on the teaching of Writing with the aim of being able to really develop your children's writing skills.

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Tissues, Paper Towel & Wipes

Once again, to help keep your child's grade clean, we are asking that parents/carers supply the following for each child.

- 1 x box of tissues
- 1 x roll of paper towel
- 1 x cleaning wipes

Could these items be sent to your child's grade. Thank you.







Book Club

Brochures for Issue 1 of the Book Club were sent home last week. If you wish to order anything, please have your order with the correct money by tomorrow, Friday, February 13.



Super Student Award

Congratulations to Liam Gerdes-Illes, Erin Barling, Melainee Noy-Hawkins, Jake Fairfield and Brayden Paley for receiving their certificates.



Daycare Thank You



School Injuries and Insurance

Parents and guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

spot. Your help was greatly appreciated. -Michelle



Most medical costs will be refundable by Medicare. If you are a member of an ambulance or health insurance fund, you may also be able to claim transport or other expenses from the fund.

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. The Department of Education and Training does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school, does not hold accident insurance for school students and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

Is other insurance cover available? Yes.

The Department is aware of two insurers, JUA Underwriting Agency Pty Ltd and Willis Australia Ltd, that provide accident insurance policies for students. These policies provide specific benefits for students who are injured in accidents for a reasonably low cost. Other insurers may also provide a similar policy.