



IMPORTANT DATES 2017

December

Thursday 14 th December	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony
Friday 15 th December	Last Banking Day for 2017
Monday 18 th December	Parent Direct Toy Fundraiser Final Orders Due
Wednesday 20 th December	Last day for canteen sales 2017
Friday 22nd December	Last Day Term 4 – School dismisses at 1:30pm
January 2018	
Tuesday 30 th January	Student Free day – Staff Only – Students Not at School
Wednesday 31 st January	First Day Term 1 2018 Year 1-Year 6 students
Wednesday 31 st January	First day for canteen sales 2018
Thursday 1 st February	First day for Foundation Year (Prep) students
Friday 9 th February	First Banking Day for 2018

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Hi Everyone

Tonight, we celebrate the end of a seven year journey of learning at our Year 6 Graduation Ceremony. This event recognizes a significant milestone as many of the students commenced at the school in the first year we opened. There is certainly a buzz of excitement around the school and I along with our staff and students know the event will be a fabulous success. We wish our students success and happiness with their future learning and later on in life as they enter the workforce. We will all share special and fond memories of our time with our friends and teachers as we recall the many engaging and fun activities we enjoyed during the time spent at primary school.

I must thank the school community for your support and attendance at recent school activities including Talent Show, Christmas Carols Concert, Fluro Fun Run and the list goes on. Many staff across the school including Miss Hampson, Miss Felmingham, Mr Beach, Mrs Dunmall and Mrs Purvis have put many extra hours into planning and preparing the events to support our students and the payoff is overwhelmingly incredible when we see the talents of our students, smiles on faces and high levels of fun and engagement.

As the year draws to a close I thank every single student at the school for your focused commitment to your learning, for persisting with the many challenges faced, and for the positive behaviour, attitudes and manners demonstrated in your daily interactions. I pass on from myself and the staff our appreciation to the parents who support the school in many ways including excursions, camps, in school visits etc. It makes me proud every single day to be the Principal at this school and proud of our students in all respects. If you are leaving the school I wish you every success, and to new families to the school a special welcome.

We all look forward to seeing our students and families return to school refreshed and energized ready to reconnect to another year of exciting learning in 2018. Stay safe and enjoy a restful break.

Kind regards Garry & Staff

We have been requested to mention to parents about the dangers of leaving children in cars on hot days even for just a few minutes as you visit the school or shop or pay for the petrol, the consequences as we know can be disastrous.

From the Welfare Officer

Using social media in bed can lead to sleep and wellbeing problems

Using social media in bed can lead to sleep and wellbeing problems. Screen time is linked with poor sleep and poor sleep has been linked to problems with physical health, mental health, work and study.

Getting quality sleep, and enough of it, is essential for physical and mental health. Your idea of a good night's sleep might differ from the next person. Some people need more than eight hours of sleep to feel rested, others less. Your sleep patterns may vary as you age. Stress, worries, big life events, changes to shift work or daily routines and changes in home life can affect our sleep. Practicing 'good sleep hygiene' and a bedtime routine can all promote good quality rest.

Action Ideas:

- Turn off screens an hour or more before bed. Face to face contact with friends and family has been shown to help people sleep better.
- Kick your phone out of bed, better yet, charge it in another room overnight. If you must keep it in your room turn it off or put on airplane mode and place it face down.
- Buy an old school, analogue alarm clock - more specifically, don't use your phone as your alarm clock. If you must, place the phone face down and run the phone on airplane mode overnight - the alarm will still work.



Mrs Jones
Assistant Principal

From the Library

Overdue Books

We currently have more than 350 overdue books, this is a very high amount, at almost a quarter of the student population. We ask that all families please make a special effort to look for these books. If you are unable to find your books, please attend the front office to pay a \$10 lost book fee.

Just a reminder that when you receive an Overdue Notice/Email, that Office Staff are unable to assist with searching for your book. Your first contact should be with your *Home Group* teacher.

Thank you
Jeanette & Sam

Mathletics News

In the last two weeks of school a total of 178 bronze Mathletics certificates were achieved and 29 silver certificates. Congratulations to the following students for earning gold certificates:

Year 2 – Amelia M, Anali T, Haitham L

Year 3 – Cheng Xi Ryan S

Year 4 – Ansh P

Year 5 – Brayden W

Don't forget to log into Mathletics at home:

www.mathletics.com

House Points

House Points will be announced at the assembly on the last day of school with the presentation of the House Points Shield to the winning house.

From the Office

Thank you to everyone who supported our Second Hand Uniform Sale. We successfully raised \$651.00. All monies raised will be donated to the State School Relief (SSR) Fund. Thank you for your assistance with this very worthy cause helping SSR purchase quality school clothing and footwear for disadvantaged students in Victoria. We hope to hold more second hand uniform sales in the future.



Lost Property



Please check lost property before the end of term, via the door located near First Aid, for any lost items of clothing, drink bottles or lunchboxes.

For ease of finding any lost items, please remember to name school uniform items with a permanent marker pen.



Dollarmite Banking

The last banking day for this year will be Friday 15th December 2017.

Banking will resume on Friday 9th February 2018.



Shining Star Awards for 11th – 15th December 2017



Year	Shining Star	Award	Year	Shining Star	Award	
Prep	Romeo S	For showing great enthusiasm at the Prep Christmas Concert performance.	Year 3	Manjot S	For always remaining focused on his work and making excellent choices within the learning space.	
	Natarsha P	For trying very hard with her writing.		Selina N	For trying her very best in everything that she does.	
	Max D	For working hard on his sounding out.		Leaha P	For showing great resilience during Coding.	
	Darshika S	For her great singing at the Christmas concert.		Tierra M	For her consistent 5 Star bookwork!	
	Arushtaab D	For always working hard in learning time and producing 5 star work.		Gumaa G	For working really well in a team creating a Board Game.	
	Brock B	For doing a wonderful job at our Christmas concert and performing his best.		Year 4	Amelia J	For demonstrating resilience towards her work when it becomes challenging. Well done!
	Max S	For consistently working hard in class.			Logan D	For trying his best in the Fluro Fun Run!
	Anisha M	For showing determination when completing the Fun Run even though she was not comfortable running.			Jaeli B	For always using her polite manners in the learning space.
Ruby E	For a terrific performance in our Christmas concert. Well done Ruby!	Sunday W	For an amazing effort in the Fluro Fun Run.			
Year 1	Ryan E	For a wonderful performance at our Year 1 Christmas Concert.	Year 5	Summer P	For working well with others throughout Inquiry Learning game making.	
	Annabelle J	For supporting others and being a great leader in Oral Language.		Harry H	For his amazing determination, running 10 laps during our Fluro Fun Run.	
	Ashleigh W	For her wonderful enthusiasm during our Christmas Concert.		Jasryan S	For setting an excellent example in the learning space.	
	Rhys A	For his enthusiastic participation in our Christmas Concert. Well done!		Ella C	For always approaching challenges in a positive manner.	
	Tiarah D G	For settling in well to 1HT and participating well in all activities.		Netra P	For showing great qualities as a buddy during Readers' Theatre performances. Well done Netra!	
	Xahlia B	For working hard to improve your Writing.		Wilma D	For her enthusiastic attitude towards the Christmas Concert.	
	Jashua C	For a fantastic year in Year 1.		Majed Z	For having such a positive end to Year 5!	
	Hadya N	For doing an amazing job with her Sustained Reading this week.		Veronica R- G	For working hard to complete her Maths tasks this week. Well done Veronica!	
	Year 2	Aryan D		For writing an excellent Procedure Writing piece on Chili the runaway fridge.	Year 6	Roughsar K
Indianna T		For great participation in the Christmas concert.	Kiandra R	For being persistent and trying hard to solve a Maths problem. Well done Kiandra!		
Mansirat B		For demonstrating excellent Reading expression in Readers' Theatre this week.	Charlie D	For the hard work he is putting in to his Inquiry Learning project. Keep up the good work!		
Pooja R		For always putting exceptional effort into her bookwork.	Sandra G	For consistently giving her best effort in all learning areas.		
Milarny G		For always having a positive attitude towards her learning and making good choices. Well done!	Kyle O	For being a supportive friend and overall member of the Year 6 community. We value your patience and consideration of others. Well done Kyle!		
Jasmine S		For being a very helpful and caring member of our learning space.	Sanchita P	For fantastic work and excellent organisational skills during our High School Musical Chairs program! Well done Sanchita!		
Tamim H		For his enthusiasm and beautiful singing when practising for the Christmas Concert.	Johar A	For demonstrating fantastic enthusiasm during our High School Musical Chairs program. Well done Johar!		
Nathan W		For an enthusiastic Christmas performance.	Lochie W	For a great effort during home group activities.		
Freya S		For confidently speaking and helping to introduce 2T at the Christmas Concert.	Aoto'a S	For always being a happy and kind member of our learning space. Well done, Aoto'a!		
Year 3	Ryley C	For your fantastic efforts and pure enthusiasm with all of our Christmas practices and Concert!	Year 6	Chanelle N	For her excellent organisation during our 'High School Musical Chairs', transition program. Great work, Chanelle!	
	Cooper S	For a great attitude towards his learning this term.		Shanaya H	For working hard and producing fantastic work during Literacy.	
	Noah P	For a wonderful effort throughout the year in all classroom subjects. Well done and keep up the fantastic work!				



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Mrs Simmonds	Maimona E 4B	For showing great enthusiasm during our Fluro Fun Run this year. Wonderful effort!
Mrs Price	Sheena S 4W	For being a respectful and caring student.
Ms Burgess	Jae-Leah I 1G	For showing greater confidence in our learning space. Well done!
Mrs Warren	Sharnie S 5Z	For improved concentration during Sustained Reading.
Mrs Rento	Shaely T 2E	For always displaying the 5 R's. Well done.
Ms Naismith	Michael F 5C	For working hard on your Maths project.
Ms Whitehead	Charrie L 4H	For participating in Inquiry Learning in a positive and fun way. Well done!
Ms Harris	Jaimilee M 1C	For showing great patience during Buddy Reading! Well done!
Mrs Wickramasinghe	Hania S H 6F	For staying focused in all areas of learning. Well done!
Ms Silva	Isaac S Prep K	For always using beautiful manners. Keep it up Isaac!
Mrs Beck	Jah-Ron L 1T	For working really hard in Oral Language. Keep it up!
Ms Hill	Ruby G 1L	For being a Super Powerful Learner during Oral Language groups.
Ms Roberts	Nauma P M 4G	For an excellent effort with his Maths.
Ms Heald	Fritz P 3B	For getting into the Christmas spirit. It was great to see.
Ms Abblitt	Inuka N 2HW	For showing kindness and understanding to his classmates.
Mrs Bhasin	Kate S 6D	For being very considerate and helpful in the class.
Mrs O'Riley	Archie S Prep K	For fantastic reading with Mrs O'Riley, about sharks and dinosaurs.
Mrs Perera	Balraj K Prep F	For producing excellent work during the Maths sessions. Well done Balraj!
Ms Hudson	Arushtaab D Prep M	For doing a fabulous job in forming a very interesting sentence, during Oral Language. Well done!