NEWSLETTER

Empowerment

Diversity

Confidence

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Learning & Growing Together

Respect, Responsibility, Safety
Welcome to Week 3 everyone. This will be the last of the weekly newsletters as we move to the fortnightly format after this. We will send out the newsletter on this day in the fortnight so that parents will be aware of those students we will recognise on assembly on Tuesday.

Such events which celebrate student achievement are truly important as they shore up student confidence and improve self-esteem. As a school we look for every opportunity to recognise the positive achievements of your children. This is a key element in our Positive Behaviour for Learning strategy. Such an approach provides students with pride and recognition and encourages further effort. Please congratulate your children when they are recognised. Congratulations to all students who receive an award on parade tomorrow.

The rain on Friday and over the weekend was well received. I am sure that a number of farmers and gardeners are now a little happier. Unfortunately we had a few students away, presumably as it was wet. I would like to remind everyone that we have a plan for wet weather days and can assure you that students will not get wet. Even though it was only one day it is important to reinforce that “Every Day Counts”. When students don’t attend for a day they miss out on vital learning. Please have confidence that we will look after your children and ensure that their safety and health are our priorities. It is timely to let you know that we reward students for great attendance. This too is a part of our Positive Behaviour strategy.

There have been a couple of cases of head lice reported to me. Please check your children’s heads for lice and start treatment immediately if you find any. This will hopefully stop them spreading around the school.

I know that the teachers in the upper school have communicated with students about school sport. I would strongly encourage all students to compete in interschool sport. School sport promotes physical activity and contributes to a healthy lifestyle. Students competing proudly for Moore Park also happens to be great news for the school. Students learn life skills and develop lifelong friendships from physical activity.

I know too that Choir and Instrumental Music programs have either started or are about to start. Please encourage your child to participate in these great programs which contribute so positively to student development.

Planning is under way for our Colour Run. We are going to merge this with the school cross country. Please watch for the date for this celebratory event which adds so much to our school culture.

Please let me know of any good news stories so that I can include them in the newsletters.

Craig Martin

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

We will be having our usual Sausage Sizzle this Friday. $1.50 each
STAR STUDENT AWARDS

These awards will be presented on parade tomorrow at 2:30pm. Star Students for Responsibility: Following classroom and school rules.

Prep  Saija
Year 1  William
Year 2 /3  Caleb
Year 3  Charli
Year 4  Shyanne
Year 5  John
Year 5 /6  Hayley
Year 6  Zalia

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

The behaviour focus for this fortnight across the school is ‘being respectful by following instructions’. Throughout the fortnight teachers will be talking to students and demonstrating the expectations around, following instructions.

The four expectations are

• students understand the importance of following instructions (safety, respecting those around them, ensuring quality work)

• students can identify why it is important to follow instructions

• students respond in an appropriate way when given an instruction and

• students are aware of the consequences when instructions aren’t followed.

WRITING GOALS

During Semester One, each class across the school will have a fortnightly focus/ goal on an element of writing. The aim is that we can help students build on a bank of skills that will enable them to produce quality written work.

The first focus for the year has been Sentence Structure. Teachers are providing opportunities for students to improve their knowledge of the important components that make up great sentences in short, sharp daily activities. We look forward to showcasing some of the great work happening in each of the classrooms.

P & C NEWS

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on the 5th March at 1:30pm. Afternoon tea will be provided. All welcome.

We will be having our Colour Fun Run this term so keep an eye out for more information coming home soon.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

All Instrumental Music lessons and band are now in full swing with instruments going home last week. There are still a few spots available for any students in Year 4, 5 or 6 who would like to learn the Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone or Trumpet. If you would like your child to learn an instrument in 2018 please see the office for a recruitment brochure and return it ASAP. Mr Brown will give interested students a go at their preferred instruments on Wednesday and letters will be sent home regarding all other details and paperwork required.

NEWSLETTERS WILL NOW BE PUBLISHED ODD WEEKS eg. Week 1,3,5,7,9

KIDS & CO CHILDCARE CENTRE

WE ARE NOW OPEN: ENROL NOW

Hi, Its Libby here. I would like to introduce myself to the Moore Park Beach Community. I am the nominated Supervisor of Kids & Co Childcare Centre. Kids & Co is a long-day centre situated central in Moore Park Beach and provides a safe learning environment for children to play, grow and progress. The centre provides high quality care for children aged from 15mnths-12years. The children from Kids & Co have been actively engaging in environmental awareness practices in preparation for our community clean up event held on the 3rd March 2018 for Clean Up Australia Day. We are looking forward to building secure partnerships within Moore Park Beach and becoming more involved within the Moore Park Beach community.