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NEWSLETTER
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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Welcome back to school!

The highlight of my term was welcoming the staff and students back to fulltime face to face teaching at school this week. To be able to re-establish class routines and connect with our students through learning was wonderful; schools are definitely not the same happy and engaging place without them. The students are our "WHY". Why we are here, why we do what we do and why we love our jobs. It's great that everybody has been able to return safely to us and we are looking forward to the rest of Term 2.

On behalf of the staff can I thank our families for your support with home learning and your willingness to persevere with the booklets and online learning. We are very aware that it was not without its challenges and I know many of you appreciate even more now, the hard work our teaching staff do on a daily basis.

Mrs Selena Gandy
Principal
29 May 2020

Miller Minis

It's hard to believe we are at that point of the school year where we ask for enrolments for our Miller Minis program. If you have a child who turns 5 before 31st July 2021 they can be part of our transition to school program. Please contact the office to make a time to complete the enrolment application. Students must be fully enrolled for Kindergarten 2021 to participate in Miller Minis. This program will run in Term 3 and 4 on a Thursday and Friday morning from 9-12.

Aboriginal Shirts

Earlier this year our Indigenous students worked with an Aboriginal artist Michael Fardon to redesign our Aboriginal shirts inline with our new school colours. A note will go home this week offering all students the opportunity to purchase a shirt. Students may wear this shirt to school as part of the school uniform on a Wednesday only or to recognise other cultural celebrations.

Extra-Curricular Activities

For the foreseeable future excursions, assemblies and all offsite activities continue to be cancelled. We are working on a virtual assembly format and hope to be able to share this with you next week.



NOTICES

Pick Up / Drop Off

We will continue with the current arrangements as per the advice of the Department of Education with regards to visitors onsite. Please ensure you adhere to parking rules and regulations. I did provide this information in written format earlier this week and published it on both Facebook and Skoolbag.

Sorry Day

Many classes engaged in activities this week to honour National Sorry Day on May 26.



School Uniform

I continue to remind students each day about the need to wear full school uniform. The polo top provided by the school with the logo, the jacket provided by the school with the logo and plain black bottoms are the expectation.

The school has a limited number of black trackpants available for purchase at \$10 a pair. Please contact the school office to arrange to buy these.

There is also an increasing number of students without school hats. If your child does not have the hat they were given by the P&C please arrange to purchase another one from the school office for \$13. Students without a school hat will not be allowed to play in any area other than under the COLA.

Reports

The staff are currently in the process of writing reports for all students for Semester 1. The report will be a modified version of our traditional school report to reflect the learning environment across Semester 1, including home learning. Days absent from school will also be included on this report and will reflect whether students engaged in learning at home either online or via booklets. Reports will be sent home Friday of week 2 next term - Friday 31 July.

Canteen

Just a reminder that there is no canteen for Term 2. Please send recess, lunch and a drink bottle to school.

Please encourage your children to ask for assistance if they forget any of these items each day.

Upcoming Dates

Public Holiday - Monday 8 June

