

Thursday, the 20th of November, 2020

Newsletter 4

CELEBRATING LEARNING IN...

Grade 3/4

In Science this week we learnt about the Solar System. First, we found out how the solar system was formed. After that we did an experiment. We used dishwashing detergent, white vinegar and food colouring. The colour my team used was blue and green which made aqua. It made a tornado. Thankyou to Mr Rodwell for teaching Science this year.

By Anneka

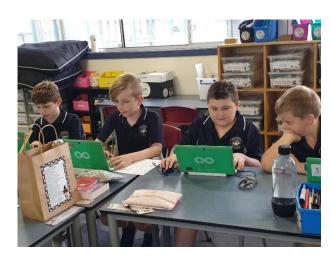


In P.E this week we played fruit salad. I was Kiwi Fruit. We also got to play games liked dodgeball. We earnt house points for playing nicely. The last game was a where we sat in a circle and moved a turkey around with different parts of our body. Thanks Ms Smith.

By Dayne

In ICT we have been building a town online. I have been building a survival world with friends. We build in a cave and everyone has fun. The other team is working on Media Skills. They have used an application to draw pictures. Thanks for reading.

By Tyler





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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Celebrations!

After mention in last week's newsletter and at our school assembly, it has been pleasing to note an increase in the frequency of the school being notified of a student absence. Thank you to those families who have contacted us to ensure the school has an explanation for a child's absence. A reminder that should we not have an explanation for a child's absence prior to 9am, we will contact parents/guardians to ensure we are meeting our Duty of Care requirements.

Tragedy

I have no words to describe how I feel about the horrific and tragic act that occurred in Queensland this week – at least not words I can express here. Whilst this incident occurred many kilometres away, the dark and insidious shadow of domestic violence reaches far and wide across our country. If you or anyone you know, is experiencing domestic violence, please speak up. 1800 RESPECT (1800 737 732) is a 24 hour national sexual assault, family and domestic violence counselling line for any Australian who has experienced, or is at risk of, family and domestic violence and/or sexual assault. Men's Referral Service (1300 766 491) is a service that offers assistance, information and counselling to help men who use family violence.

Similarly, if you are experiencing wellbeing or mental health issues, the brave thing to do for yourself and your loved ones is to reach out. Lifeline (131114) can help you navigate through your personal crisis.

For further supports, please go to this link https://www.whiteribbon.org.au/find-help/domestic-violence-hotlines/. White Ribbon is an organisation that is dedicated to preventing men's violence against women.

Please, take care of your family – especially your precious children.

Student Information Forms

A reminder to families to please return updated Student Information Forms to the office as soon as possible. Information provided to us via these forms is crucial for the school to have in order to effectively care for your child. It is therefore critical that this information is up to date. If you have any questions regarding this form, please don't hesitate to see us at the office.

Medical Information

This is an urgent reminder to families to ensure the school's information on your children's medical needs is up to date. This includes providing the school with any medication that is required to be administered at school. Along with such medication, we must have written instructions provided by your child's doctor on how to administer the medication. If your child suffers from asthma, they should not be attending school without an Action Plan and asthma medication.

Tissues Issues

We are running short on tissues and ask that families supply the school with one box of tissues to assist in this area. This enables vital funds to be allocated to more pressing educational needs for our learners. Thank you in advance for your support.

School Fees

Invoices for 2020 school fees went out in Week 1. Thank you to those families who have already paid their fees. For those families who are concerned that they will not be able to pay their fees by the due date of Friday the 6th of March, please don't hesitate to come and speak with us. We are extremely flexible when it comes to forming a suitable payment plan that enables you to make this essential contribution to your child's education.

Signing Off

There's no tragedy in life like the death of a child. Things never get back to the way they were.

Until next time, take care, and be the best you can be.

Mr. O'Callaghan



Student of the Week





<u>Term:</u> 1 <u>Week:</u> 3

F/1 LOUIS CAMPBELL SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT

For having a great start to the year and being an excellent student.



1/2/3 WILLOW SCHOOL VALUE: COMMUNITY ROBERTS

For being a kind, caring and supportive classmate.



3/4 BAILEY MORGAN SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT

For putting a great amount of effort and detail into her narrative writing.



5/6 JESSE JERVIS SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT

For taking on feedback in his writing and including magnificent descriptions.



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What's On...



February 21st **District Swimming**



February 10th

Jack Griffiths 12th Flynn Patton



School success starts with attendance