Relieving Principal's message

Tuesday 26th May is National Sorry Day & National Reconciliation Week starting Wednesday 27th May. National Sorry Day acknowledges and raises awareness of the history and continued effect of the forced removal of Indigenous Australians. National Reconciliation Week is focusing on how Australians can better recognise each other and recognise the contributions, cultures and histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

To show our national respect for Indigenous Australians we will fly the Aboriginal Flag and Australian Flag on our school flag poles. I encourage you to view the National Apology to the Stolen Generation. You could do so by following this link https://youtu.be/xiLnsFyAVqE

School Grounds Maintenance Update

As you are aware our lower playground has been getting a makeover. The playground will be an adventurous area with lots of activities for students to do and to stimulate imaginative play. Today the workers are laying synthetic grass and soon it should be ready for our children to put it to the test. I thank you for your patience.

The top field is also receiving a makeover. A new layer of top soil and new grass will be laid sometime this week. It will be out of action until further notice.

Our school fencing has nearly come to completion and we are now just waiting for a few finishing touches at the Railway St entrance.

2A & 2F classrooms are being fitted out with new carpet. This should also finish sometime this week and the students and teachers can have their classrooms back. Thank you again for your understanding and patience. Thank you to the students and teachers for cooperating and working so well with make shift classrooms for the last few weeks.

Make Mum’s Day

Please keep Tuesday 2nd June 2015 free for our annual Make Mum’s Day. It will be a fantastic day for all the mums to spend with their children at school. I apologise for postponing it a week later and for any inconveniences. I hope to see lots and lots of mums there on the day. RSVP is due 29th May.

Class Awards

KA Rahaf KB Tegan
KD Ahmed KN Alisha
KR Zoe KS Rohan
1F Shloka 1H Eshaan
1L Shreeyam 1M Aala
1N Isabella 2A Krishna
2F Fatima 2G Afham
2L Yasmyn 2/3J Daanish
3B Tiffany 3H Owen
3/4S Zara 4A Darren
4H Therese 5C Asmit
5M Evan 5/6R Tahlia
6M Caitlyn 6S Abhi
K-2G Stephen 1-3G Fateh
3-5H Shreya

Library News

Bookclub is due back by 2nd June. Please use the order form in the catalogue.

Year 3 and 4 catalogue has a Targeting Maths Dictionary for $9-50 which is a great resource for all children. Year 2 - Year 6 it is highly recommended.

Next week we will be looking at Humor in picture books. Parents with children in Kindergarten and Year 1 are welcome to join us at 2.15pm on Monday.

Stewart House - Clothing Appeal

The last day to donate clothing to Stewart House is this Friday 29th May.
Class News

Kindergarten

Last week we had our first big excursion to the farm. It was a very successful day, with all the students enjoying an opportunity to interact with animals in a different environment. This week for topic talks students need to tell the class what was their favourite experience at the farm. They could draw a picture of this experience to help them explain why it was their favourite.

If your child is away for any reason, can you please make sure that you provide the classroom teacher with a note explaining the child's absence. A note needs to be provided every time a student is away.

Miss Richards

Year 1 and Year 2

We hope all our mum's received their invitation to Make Mum's Day which is happening on Tuesday 2nd June, next week! We really look forward to days like these where students get to spend some quality time with you and mums get to connect with other mums in the school. Make sure you send in your RSVP soon!

How healthy is your child's lunch? If you need some new ideas about what to put in your child's lunch every day, have a look at this website: https://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/parents-carers/healthy-eating-and-drinking/lunch-box-ideas.aspx

Have a fantastic week!
Miss Langhans

Year 3

Welcome to week 6! "Make Mum's Day" will be held on Tuesday the 2nd of June and will commence at 11.00am. There will be a workshop held for mothers, followed by various fun activities with your children and a BBQ. Invitations should have been sent home already. If you are interested in attending please return your RSVP before this Friday. We hope to see lots of you there!

Just a quick reminder to please clearly label all jumpers, jackets, water bottles and lunchboxes with your child’s name. Everyday we have lots of lost property with no names on any of the items. Students need to be responsible for their belongings. This is one of our schools expectations.

Don’t forget to keep making payments towards your Enrichment money. A minimum of $90 should have been paid by the end of this term.

We hope you have a wonderful week 6!

Mrs Heifetz

Year 4 and Year 5

Australian War Memorial Excursion
A reminder that children must have returned their permission notes to attend the Canberra excursion as soon as possible. Students will need to be at school by 6.45am on Monday morning and the buses will be leaving at 7am sharp. It is expected that we will return to school by 4.30pm.

Public Speaking

Make Mums’ Day
Don’t forget to return the RSVP for Make Mums’ Day, we looking forward to another great turn out and all the children enjoy spending time with their mum's while at school.

AFL
There is a flyer attached to the newsletter for an after school AFL program to run on our school field on Tuesday afternoons for the last four weeks of term. The GWS Giants will also be holding a lunch time ‘Blitz’ this Wednesday where kids will get to participate in lots of fun AFL activities.

Enjoy the week,
Mr Clarke

Year 6

Thank you to the parents who attended our Edmodo/Social Media parent meeting this afternoon. We hope you enjoy observing the learning of your students through Edmodo and it helps you to stay connected with current topics, themes and events. For those parents who were unable to make it we will be sending home a 'guide' that will assist you to sign up to Edmodo as a parent. Please do not hesitate to ask any of the Year 6 teachers for assistance if needed.

The Year 6 teachers were extremely impressed with the quality of work seen in the 'Anthony Browne English Assessment Task.' The students created picture books that incorporated the techniques used by author Anthony Browne. Their books were thoroughly planned, drafted, edited and published. Students will self assess their work, be assessed by a peer and also their teacher.

Next Tuesday 2nd June is 'Make Mum's Day' at school. It is wonderful for the students if their mothers are able to come along on this day and join in the celebration.

As the weather becomes colder, please make sure your child has a school jumper that is labeled clearly with their name. Girls should wear black or blue stockings under their dresses rather than leggings.

Please ensure you are continuing to pay your enrichment installments.

How many books has your child read towards their 40 book reading target? They should have read approximately 15-20 by now.

Mrs Rhodes
Sports News

Our school was proudly represented by a courageous team at the Zone Cross Country last week. Congratulations to all who went and did their best. We have a few students who will represent us in the next level, so good luck to these keen competitors!

Friday's weather disappointed our PSSA teams and 3-6 school sport, and sport was cancelled. Congratulations to those who managed some time for some friendly games. Hopefully this Friday the weather will be fine. Please make sure you have your training and playing notes returned, you have your full sports uniform ready to go and you have bus money and safety equipment ready.

Congratulations to those who braved the rain and walked to school last Friday on 'Walking Safely to School Day'. It is a good idea to keep healthy every week by choosing a day to walk and taking advantage of the situation by reminding your children how to cross roads keeping themselves safe.