Principal’s Report

Division Athletics - Our school was represented by Lachlan B, Jamie B, Sam M, Logan B, Luke G and Kyle B at the Division Athletics on Wednesday 5th of October at Knox Athletics Track. Thank you to the Baker, Bell, Bradbury and Beames families for supporting our students on the day. A special mention of appreciation to Ana Beames for transporting students and for supervising the team in extremely cold weather conditions. Congratulations to Kyle who qualified in the 100 m and competed at the Regional level. Well done boys!

Families Relocating - Planning for 2017 is underway and staff need the correct information prior to compiling grade lists for next year. If you are planning to move to another school, can you please let us know in writing by the end of October at the latest?

Special Assembly – CUA Grant - We look forward to welcoming representatives from the CUA Bank to present the ‘big cheque’ to our school on Thursday 27th of October. If families are available on this date at 9.00 am, you are welcome to join us in celebrating our success in obtaining this wonderful grant for our school. The school has just been informed that due to parliamentary obligations, Alan Tudge is unable to attend.

PFN BBQ - Thank you to those families who have volunteered to assist with the BBQ on Saturday 22nd of October when our school will be used for local council elections. Please ask neighbours and friends support us if they are voting on the day with the purchase of a sausage in bread!

Term 4 Curriculum - This term the students from F-6 are focusing on Design and Technology for their Inquiry Unit which will be supported by the study of Physical Science. As these areas of the curriculum are by nature ‘hands on’, we have planned a variety of incursions and excursions to develop their skills, knowledge and understandings. Children will be showcasing their Critical and Creative thinking with their designs.
We look forward to the Learning Expo at the end of the term, where children will be showcasing their Critical and Creative thinking with their designs.

Mrs Elliott - Over the Term 3 holiday break, Mrs Elliott has requested that her leave be extended. She will be attending to family matters and looks forward to returning to Wantirna Primary School for the start of 2017. We all miss her very much and know that you all send her your best wishes.

eSmart - As Wantirna Primary School endeavours to attain status as an eSmart school we are highlighting many elements of safety around use of the internet both at school and at home. Internet safety is equally important in the home, the library and other public places. By planning to be cybersafe in any location, children are most likely to enjoy fun and rewarding online experiences. There are four key steps to cybersafe practices in the home:
  - educate
  - empower
  - make the computer safe
  - supervise.

The four work together towards positive and safe online use. The aim is not only to protect children but to help them learn to make good decisions. Educate—an essential part of keeping children safe is making them aware of risks, and talking to them about how to avoid potential problems. Visit the Cybersmart website for internet safety information and educational programs suitable for children’s use. Empower—encouraging and supporting children is a positive step towards making them feel confident in their internet use. Children need to know they can make the right choices. They also need to know they can talk to a parent/teacher or other trusted adult if something happens online that makes them feel uncomfortable. Make the computer safe—one of the most practical ways to help children stay safe online is to set up the home computer with an internet content filter and other security software. Supervise—children may behave differently online, to in person, so it’s important to be involved. By placing the computer in a family area, supervision becomes easier.

*Parents often believe that online games their children play, Skype or Facetime etc with school friends, family friends or those from their weekend sporting groups are safe. It is often in this environment where exclusion, inappropriate comments and conversations can occur of which parents would not approve.

Sue Fergeus
Principal

PLEASE READ

December 2016

Monday 19th – Science Incursion today for whole school
Monday 19th – Last Day of School children will be dismissed @ 3:30pm
(To be approved by school council at next meeting)
Tuesday 20th – Pupil Free Day – Teachers planning for next year
(To be approved by school council at next meeting)

January 2017

January
Tuesday 24th – Book pick up day & fee payments – School office will be open from 9am – 4pm
Please note the Uniform Shop will not be open this day.
Monday 30th – Teachers Return to work
Tuesday 31st – Pupil Free Day – Teachers @ PD on writing

February
Wednesday 1st – Children return to school – First day of school 2017 for Foundation to Year 6, first bell at 8:55am
Foundation Students will come on the first three days - Wed 1st, Thurs 2nd & Fri 3rd until 1:10pm lunch time
Foundation Students will not attend school on Wednesday 8th, 15th & 22nd of February. They will attend full time from Monday 27th February.
Student of the Week Award

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<td>Sam M</td>
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<td>Angela Y</td>
<td>Welcoming our new student so beautifully.</td>
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<td>Ebony L</td>
<td>Clearly &amp; confidently sharing her work with the class.</td>
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<td>Olga K</td>
<td>Practising her Game of Ten counting skills.</td>
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<td>Alysia L</td>
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Summer Sport News

Congratulations to all the students who competed in Summer Sports last Friday. The results are

- Cricket – 1<sup>st</sup> place
- Boys Softball – 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Girls Softball – 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- Mixed Volley - 6<sup>th</sup> place
- Tennis – 5<sup>th</sup> place

Parents & Friends Network

Can you help us on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October to run the Election Day Sausage Sizzle? We have only a few people respond to the notice and we need more helpers.
Down the notice here –  U:\Jenine\Local Election Day Sausage Sizzle Vol.pdf
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