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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday	5th, 12th, 19th Aug		Prep – Grade 2 Gymnastics Program
Wednesday	14th August	7:00pm	School Council Meeting
Mon - Wed	19th – 21st Aug		Grade 3/4 Cavehill Creek Camp
Wednesday	11th September		School Concert
Friday	25th October		Greatest Showman Sing A-long Movie Night

Student of the week

Congratulations to the following students whose efforts, behaviour and attitude have been recognised

Ruby L	Prep G	For writing a fantastic recount of her school holidays. You read back your writing to edit missing words and even added more detail. Well done Ruby, keep up the great work!
Lucy W	Prep V	For her excellent writing about her trip to Fiji Well done Lucy !
Jacob S	1/2 C	For his great behaviour in class and doing his best on his holiday recount.
Austin B	1/2 M	For good reflections on his addition skills, allowing him to move on to the next step with confidence. Great work Austin!
Djaran L	1/2 P	For working really hard on his weekend recount and doing a fantastic job of up-levelling and editing. Go Djaran!
Grace W	1/2 T	For working hard on her Holiday Recount during Writing this week. Keep up the great effort, Grace!
Mia N	3/4 C	For her amazing work in Mathematics this week. I have been so impressed with her strategies and her willingness to have a go at those tricky problems. Well done Mia
Jack C	3/4 E	For carefully planning his recounts before beginning his writing and doing a great job at keeping his writing as neat as possible. Great job Jack!
Oliver H	3/4 L	For his creativity while writing recounts this week! You made your events fun and exciting with your skilful word choice. Great job Oliver!
Jed M	5/6 L	For having an impressive knowledge of 3D shapes and displaying expert skills when drawing shapes and their nets. A great start to the term. Keep up the amazing work Jed!
Poppy N	5/6 S	For being an excellent role model for all her fellow students. Poppy always puts in a 100% in whatever she does. Well done Poppy!
Mackenzie W	5/6 T	For creating a detailed information text about her inspirational Indigenous Australian Queenie McKenzie. Your comprehension of the research was outstanding. Well done!
Hamish G	ITALIAN	For wonderful recall of new vocabulary.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Students of the Week



NAIDOC Week

At last week's assembly some of the students from 5/6S shared the work that they had been learning about the significance of NAIDOC week and in particular their research about a chosen influential Indigenous Australian. I could not help but feel very proud of the efforts and courage shown by Sam, Sophie, Hana and Scarlett as they shared their work. We were certainly humbled by the information that they shared with us and in particular, Sophie finished her presentation leaving us with an important message that we all need to remember *"It is important to have the conversation about racism in sport and our society.....We should all confront racism, no matter how difficult the conversation is."* Sophie 5/6S

I have included a copy of Sophie's speech later in the newsletter. Well done to our teachers who took the time last week to continue the conversations with our students and continued to improve our understanding and appreciation of our indigenous history and culture.



Sporting Schools Grant

Great news! Belmont Primary School has once again been successful in gaining funding to continue offering sporting opportunities to our students through the Sporting Schools Grant.

This term the funding will be used to provide an opportunity for our Prep to Year 2 students to participate in a soccer program. We are very lucky to have these sessions delivered by one of our parents, Ben Romain, on behalf of Little Kickers, (Thanks Ben!) Some of the funding each term is also utilised to buy additional sporting equipment for our school.

Congratulations and many thanks to Mrs Ryan who does a superb effort in applying for the grants on our behalf and organising a great variety of opportunities for our students.

Parent Opinion Survey

The annual Parent Opinion Survey opened on Monday. We sent a quick note home to the families who were randomly selected advising you that the link and access details to the online survey had been sent to the email address we currently have on our records. Thank you to the 13 families who have already completed the survey by this morning. On the size of our school, the Department has set us a target of 45 responses so that is a great start in the first few days. The survey remains open until August 11 so there is still plenty of time for those selected to complete the survey. Please be assured that the survey is anonymous and that we carefully consider the feedback and use it to inform future planning and school improvement. Ongoing work on our reporting to parents processes is just one example of feedback that has been acted upon from previous surveys.

Science at Belmont

For some years now our school has partnered with Deakin University. A large number of trainee students will visit each Friday this term to provide hands-on science activities for our senior classes. The focus this

year is on chemical science with lots of wonderful investigations and conversations are sure to take place.



After School Care

Thank you to the parents who have already taken the time to provide feedback about our before and after school care services. The survey will remain open for a couple more weeks. If you use the service, please feel free to complete the survey using the link or QR code below. Your feedback is valued and welcomed.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/35BQBF5>



FROM THE ART ROOM



Rehearsals commenced this week for our concert with each of our classes working with either Debbie Fraser or Chanelle Tait from Music Box Theatre Company. Whilst some of the song choices are still being finalised, the selected movies for each of the classes is as follows:

Preps	- Jungle Book & The Lion King
12M & 12P	- Moana
12C & 12T	- Aladdin
34C	- Grease
34E	- High School Musical
34L	- Shrek
56L	- Mamma Mia
56T	- The Greatest Showman
56S	- Pitch Perfect

Once rehearsals have commenced and further planning is completed, we will keep parents up to date with costume requirements, ticketing arrangements and other vital information.

A slightly late welcome to Term Three from me. My holiday was wonderful, I hope you all enjoyed the break with your children too.

GRADES 3,4,5,6

The students in these grades have spent the last two weeks having fun making woollen ropes using a cardboard disk. It is one of those activities that appears quite tricky but is actually simple enough WHEN YOU KNOW HOW. A perfect example of having a go and being rewarded with success.

YEARS 1/2

This group has been investigating spinning tops. We have discovered a range of things including how a cross or square when spun gives the impression of being a circle and the amazing effects you can get when spinning circles and wooden stars covered in a variety of colours and patterns.

PREPS.

Last week we tried some threading. We talked about koalas and how they like to eat a particular type of gum leaf then had fun using a hole punch to make lines of holes in gum leaves. Once the hole punching started the art room smelt amazingly of eucalyptus, you could almost imagine that we were out in the bush. The children then threaded the leaves onto wool and attached them to pictures of koalas. I missed getting some photos but I'm sure you can picture it. This week the PREPS are painting so art smocks will be a must.

Yvonne McDonald

Art Specialist

Thank you to everyone for a wonderful week. Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you need to discuss anything at all with me.

Enjoy the weekend ahead.

Sharon Liddle
Acting Principal ☺



Adam Goodes

I have chosen Adam Goodes as my aboriginal role model, for the 2019 NAIDOC week. I chose him because I believe he is an inspiration to many, for the fight against racism. I also chose him because I think he's brave and courageous. He is choosing to have a national conversation on racism, and that is a very difficult thing to do.

Adam Goodes was born in Wallaroo SA, on 1/8/1980. His mum is indigenous and a member of the stolen generation. His dad is of Scottish heritage. He also has two brothers named Jake and Brett.

He started his AFL career when he was drafted to the Sydney Swans in 1997, and played his first game in 1999. By the time he retired 16 years later, he played 372 games, won 2 Brownlow medals and 2 premierships, he has been named All Australian 4 times too. Due to his strong voice against racism, he was named Australian of the year in 2014.

Not everything for Adam Goodes in his career was smooth sailing though. In the Indigenous Round 2013, Adam pointed out a young Collingwood fan who had abused him, and called him an 'ape'. He felt very hurt and sad. Many people in Australia applauded Adam Goodes for calling out this racism that often happens, but many Australians felt that he went too far in pointing out such a young girl, who didn't realise calling an Indigenous person an 'ape' was a racial slur. This is when the booing at AFL games began for Adam Goodes. Throughout 2014, and 2015, the booing escalated. In 2015 he took a break from footy due to mental health reasons. He retired that year. I think it is really disappointing that such an amazing player of the AFL, was not able to retire with a huge celebration. It is important to have the conversation about racism in sport and our society.

Adam Goodes is an inspiration and we should all confront racism, no matter how difficult the conversation is. Adam Goodes..... you are a legend!

By Sophie 5/6S

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN



The Greatest Showman Sing-Along at Reading Cinemas Waurin Ponds is on Friday 25 October 6pm.

We are looking for numbers as an expression of interest for a great family night out at the movies to watch The Greatest Showman in Sing-Along form. Tickets \$15.00 per person. We would like to run this fundraiser but for it to go ahead we are required to sell a minimum of 180 tickets.

Please comment via the Facebook page or a clipboard will be available at the office to register your interest by Friday 09 August. Please add surname and number of tickets, ie. "Williams x 4".

We have had a wonderful response so far. We currently need to sell another 20 tickets minimum so please feel free to invite family and friends.

Many thanks.

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