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NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

We are all looking forward to the long weekend. Happy Easter everyone.

AUSTRALIAN EARLY DEVELOPMENT CENSUS (AEDC)

In May this year, our school will be taking part in the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC), which is a nationwide census of early childhood development and helps our school and community understand how children are developing before they start school, what is being done well, and what can be improved. The AEDC is an Australian Government initiative run by the Department of Education and Training.

All Kindergarten students are included and parents have received a letter with further information.

This year's AEDC is a great opportunity for everyone including parents, local communities, schools and other agencies to work together to bring long-lasting benefits to children and their families. If you would like more information about the AEDC, please refer to frequently asked questions section on the AEDC website at www.aedc.gov.au, or phone 1800 092 548.

Leonie Clarkson
PRINCIPAL

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL – FRIDAY 13 APRIL 2018

Our Cross Country carnival will be taking place on the last day of Term 1 on the school grounds. All students in years 3-6 participate. Students in Year 2 who are eight years old this year and can run 2kms may also attend. There is not a separate race for 8 year olds in cross country - they will compete in the combined 8/9years category.

Start – 9.20am Finish – 11am approx.

Order of Events – 8/9yrs Girls, Boys; 10yrs Girls, Boys; 11yrs Girls, Boys; 12/13 Girls, Boys

Distance – 8/9yrs, 10yrs (2km), 11yrs, 12/13yrs (3km)

Students will be practising the course during sport time at school so they are familiar with it prior to race day. The first 6 students in all age groups will qualify for the Zone carnival on 25 May 2018. The ribbons will be handed out on the same day at our 3-6 Assembly that will be taking place in the hall at 1.50pm.

Spectators are most welcome to attend.

Please note that the school app will be regularly updated prior to the carnival if we need to postpone it due to wet weather.

Mr Demir Sport Coordinator

WE CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD

Peyton HB1	Saxon HB19	Liam HB4	Jordan HB4	Lewis HB3
Andre HB16	Alicia HB4	Conor HB19	Kiarah HB19	Breeanna HB19
Ruby K HB1	Ruby V HB1	Carl HB4	Gui HB16	

SENIOR PSYCHOLOGIST, EDUCATION NEWS

Surely the long-term goal of parenting is to raise healthy, well-adjusted children who have the skills they will need in adult life. Most adults begin their own parenting careers unprepared for what lies ahead, and then have to learn their parenting skills through trial and error. It can be a little like fumbling along in the dark. Many also have very high expectations of themselves – how they should feel and cope with being a parent. This is dangerous as it can lead to parents feeling guilty and bitterly disappointed when their well-meaning parenting efforts aren't successful.

Sometimes parents have overly high expectations of their children too. The “perfect child” trap is one we could easily fall into if not careful. It is the one where parents believe their child is ‘perfect’ and better than others’ children. But in reality, it isn't fair for parents to expect their children to be perfect. This is likely to lead to disappointment and conflict with their children. All children whine, complain, make a mess, have disagreements with their parents, and become upset at times. The way parents deal with these issues influences whether the problems stay the same, get worse, or improve as their child grows older. So it really is worth a little time to reflect on what's working well and what is not; so as to develop our parenting skills slowly and surely.

Ruth Jenkins Senior Psychologist, Education

K-6 ASSEMBLY ROSTER

Assemblies occur once per fortnight for Years 3-6 and once per fortnight for Years K-2, on alternate Fridays. Parents and community are most welcome to attend the assembly that commences at 9:15am in the school hall.

Week	Assembly	Who is running Assembly
9	Good Friday	Good Friday
10	K-2	HB7
11	Years 3-6	Ministers
Term 2		
1	Years 3-6	HB16
2	K-2	HB11
3	Years 3-6	HB19
4	K-2	HB14
5	Years 3-6	Ministers
6	K-2	HB5
7	Years 3-6	HB15
8	K-2	HB8
9	Years 3-6	HB3
10	K-2	HB6

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

HB1	Taylor, London, Isabella, Oliver
HB2	Ruby-Jane, Isabella, Bailey, Rhys, Mike, Samuel, Archer
HB3	Paige, Tyran, Lewis, Callum, Khloe, Abbie
HB4	Emily, Tori, Scott, Liam, Suzi, Wyatt
HB12	Izac, Lucinda
HB15	Luke, Marcus, Charlize, Harry, Hamish
HB16	Madison, Emily, Alyssa, Cheyenne, Gui, Mia
HB18	Emily, Courtney, Hannah, Amelia, Riley, Isaac
HB19	Xavier, Sammie, Charlie, Kelly, Sienna
HB21	Oliver, Chad, Riley, Ayden, Layla, Seth

CANTEEN ROSTER

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apr 3 Jenny	Apr 4 Ally	Apr 5 Min	Apr 6 Jodie, Help needed
Apr 10 Jenny	Apr 11 Kerrie	Apr 12 Min	Apr 13 Jodie Help needed

TERM 1					
10	2 Easter Monday	3 Stage 1 Parent / Teacher meetings – all week	4	5	6
11	9	10 AFL gala day	11	12	13 Newsletter Cross Country @ school
	School holidays	School holidays	School holidays	School holidays	School holidays
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TERM 2				
30 Staff return School development Day	1 Students return	2	3 P&C meeting 1:45	4
7	8	9 Beach Smart talk @ school	10 Mother's Day stall	11 Newsletter
14	15 NAPLAN online	16 NAPLAN online	17 NAPLAN online	18 NAPLAN online Walk Safely to School
21 NAPLAN online	22 NAPLAN online	23 NAPLAN online	24 NAPLAN online	25 NAPLAN online Newsletter Sorry Day assembly Zone Cross Country
28 AECG @ Tuggerah	29	30	31	1
4 Stamp Out bullying show @ school	5	6	7 P&C meeting 1:45	8 Newsletter
11 Queen's Birthday	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22 SN Cross Country Newsletter

25	26	27	28	29
2	3	4	5 P&C meeting 1:45	6 Term 2 in review – newsletter
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