ART WITH MRS WHITE

This term we are learning about light and shade, colours and creating art works that evoke emotion.

OTHER NOTICES

SCHOOL BANKING CO-ORDINATOR NEEDED

Due to other commitments, Roz Hunting can no longer be our school banking co-ordinator. If there are any parents who would like to take on this volunteer role, Roz is more than happy to show you what to do. There is very good support from the Commbank staff and also a gift at the end of the year for the co-ordinator. It doesn’t take long to process the deposits and the school receives commission from the bank every 3 months which goes into our Project Club Account for future school activities. If you may be interested please see Roz on either a Tuesday or Thursday at school.

ELECTION DAY THIS SATURDAY—ANY HELP AT THE STALL OR DONATIONS WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED.

OUR NEW PREPPIES

OUR 2014 GOALS SUCCESS

READING and NUMERACY

• Last year we set in place some new routines in our school that have supported our students moving up levels in their reading. As we venture into this year, we see the students coming back with those key understandings from last year, ready to build onto them with our 2015 goals. In numeracy we are seeing improvement in our Number strand eg, place value of numbers and also our routines around our “Mad Minute” warmups, in the morning. These rich routines we will be continuing for 2015 and we hope too see more great results.

OUR 2014 FOCUS GOALS

Our goals for this year are:

READING, NUMERACY and SPELLING

ATTENDANCE

SUPPORTING UPPER 2 BANDS
Welcome everyone to Term 1 of our 2015 school year. I hope everyone had a great holiday and are feeling refreshed and ready to start another year. I had a great holiday after deciding right before new year to put a pool in the backyard. Only for it to rain for the next 2 weeks, hit an underground spring and just scratch through the grey water pit therefore taking twice as long and being unable to use it until now (laughing). However with the sunny days we are having it is proving a nice treat at the end of the day.

This year we have some big targets to reach and more areas in which we will be setting new goals. As outlined on the front of the newsletter we hit some big goals last year in getting rich routines set up in our school. This is really important as without this, results cannot start pouring in. With behaviour at its highest that we have ever seen in our school, explicit teaching and learning is only to be bountiful.

Attendance: Our new push this year is for our attendance rate for our school to get to 92.2% attendance. We are going to hit this goal the end of the day.

Homework:
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P & C Meeting:
The next P & C Meeting will be held next Tuesday 3rd FEB at 3.15pm. All welcome. We will be discussing this year’s agendas and also doing our 2015 AGM meeting for new roles. All roles are open and we look forward to our new team for 2015.

OUR NEW BUS ZONE—Our new bus zone is now down the left side of the school where the council has put the new bitumen. It is not finished yet so can I ask that parents please be patient with its progress. By the end we should have parking lines in the centre and on the right hand sign and proper signs for our bus zone up the left end.

Have a great week
Kathryn Coad
Principal

Cakes or slices for the fundraiser. They need to be wrapped with the ingredients labelled with the name of the item on the top.
Can they be dropped off at the school by 3 on Friday or put under the school on Saturday morning on the large tables. Thank you for your support.

School hats/uniforms: We have ordered new uniforms and should be here by the end of this month so thank you to all the parents who have been very patient waiting. If your child requires a new hat please slip us a message or a quick phone call and we can organise that.

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Our Maths unit this term will include the following:

- Measurement eg sequence days of the week
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- representing data
- describe events as ‘will happen’, ‘won’t happen’ or ‘might happen’.

Year 1:
- number work eg represent 2-digit numbers, solve simple addition and subtraction problems
- Measurement eg sequence days of the week and months of the year,
- representing data
- describe events as ‘will happen’, ‘won’t happen’ or ‘might happen’.

Year 2:
- measurement eg order days of the week and months of the year, use calendars
- number and place value eg count collections in groups of ten, represent two-digit numbers, recall addition number facts
- representing data eg graphs
- describe chance outcomes, describe events as likely, unlikely, certain, impossible

In Science all units revolve around living things. History is all about remembering the past, celebrating and commemorating our history and in the upper grades it is about how Australia became a nation.