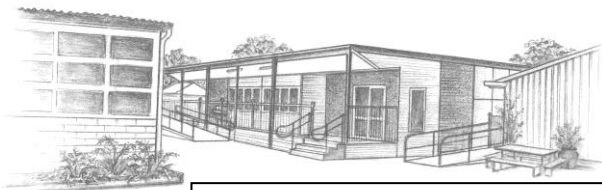


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### MINI NEWSLETTER

- 1. Staff Away / Devenish PS Visit** - I was away today visiting Puckapunyal PS to observe the VCOP (Big Write) Program and I look forward to sharing some further ideas for implementation with our staff. Mrs H was also away today and will be away on Wednesday as well as she completes training for the Secret Agency. We anticipate running a small group with this program in Term 4 and again throughout 2017. Today, we also had a visit by a staff member from Devenish PS observing our Big Write Program and we will continue to network closely with other schools to challenge and improve our classroom practice throughout the school.
- 2. Somers Camp** - Expression of Interest for this came out on Tiqbiz last week. Any Grade 5/6 students who would like to attend this camp (November 29<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>), need to let me know by the end of the term. We anticipate that we will have a random draw to select the students for this camp and we hope that students selected will still attend the Cluster Camp to Cape Otway (22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November). A monetary commitment has already been made for the latter.
- 3. Munch N Crunch** - Orders for Thursday are due in now (Wednesday at the latest). Ingredients for the 2 soups that are being offered have already been put on Tiqbiz for the school community to refer to.
- 4. Cluster Performance (Aladdin)** - All of our students had a wonderful afternoon at the Cluster Performance last week. A reminder to families to pay \$10 for this performance ASAP (families who travelled by car only need to pay \$8).
- 5. Parents Club Meeting** - This will be held on Thursday after school and all are welcome. Items to be discussed are: Pie Drive (orders in by 23<sup>rd</sup> June), End of Year Excursion, Munch N Crunch, Movie Night, Father's Day Breakfast, Science Excursion and Tree Planting. We would welcome any input into any of these items.
- 6. Region Cross Country** - Good luck to Daniel, Eloise and Harvey who have the opportunity to represent our school at this event at Broadford tomorrow. Information has been sent home already.
- 7. Policies** - An updated version of our Bus Policy is now on our School Website after being endorsed at School Council last week. We have also 3 other policies that were put on Tiqbiz last week (Anaphylaxis, Visitors and Sustainable School Events) and we welcome any feedback on these. All of these 3 policies will be endorsed at our next School Council meeting in August.
- 8. Reports** - These will be distributed to families in sealed envelopes on Monday. Staff have put in an enormous amount of effort with these so please read these carefully and have any questions prepared before the Student Led Conference Day next week.
- 9. Student Led Conference Day** - This is on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Although this day is not officially a Curriculum Day, students will only be required at school for a small portion of the day to be involved in these interviews - approximately 15 minutes each. Alternative arrangements can be made for this day if needed and specific time slips will go home this week.
- 10. Open Days** - The last Open Day is scheduled for Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup>, but other appointments that suit can be made at the office if needed. Please spread this message for potentially new families who may wish to enrol at our school for 2017.
- 11. Dance Festival for Grades 3-6 (Practice)** - We have our final Dance Practice this Thursday - rescheduled. It is imperative that all students attend school on this day to make this rehearsal constructive. The Dance Festival is scheduled for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June from 1.30pm until 2.45pm. We will be travelling by bus on this day and there will be no cost to families on this day. Permission forms went home last week and need to be returned ASAP.
- 12. Speech Therapy Rescheduled** - A reminder to some families that the next session for this will be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend this session with Simone Elson so that work that is completed can be followed up at home.
- 13. Random Acts of Kindness** - Congratulations to both Cooper and Mathew who organised kind gestures for 2 other students last week. Students performing the random task this week are Liv and Bohdi.
- 14. Book Fair** - This will be set up in the Multi-Purpose Room on Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> June and be available until Wed., 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Families are free to come and have a look and purchase books before and after school on each of these days (after school only on the Thursday).
- 15. OSH Care** - is available on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week. **A new enrolment form is to be completed for each child on an annual basis.** These can be collected at the office and are available on our school website.
- 16. Library / Playgroup** - These will both be held on Thursday - our last library session for the term, so can all books be returned please. Everyone is welcome at Playgroup which begins at 9am and concludes at 11am.
- 17. Kinder Visit** - The Grade 4/5/6 students will be visiting the Kindergarten on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. No permission forms are needed because this is an informal local excursion.
- 18. Last Day Dismissal / Casual Day** - The last day of Term 2 will be on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June with dismissal at 2.25pm (an hour earlier as per usual). This day is a Casual Day (PJ's day) with all money raised going to Give me 5 for Kids. Only Winter PJ's should be worn (Dressing Gowns are encouraged) and students should still wear normal school shoes on this day (no slippers please).

David Brodie (Principal) - a reminder about that free couch!  
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