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Week 8 Term 1

Wednesday 18 March 2020

For Your Diary

Wk 8 16 - 20 March

Fri Pam Bellingham
Dance Cancelled
PSSA Soccer
Cancelled

Wk 9 23 - 27 March

Mon Odd Socks Day

Wk 10 30 Mar - 3 April

Fri School X Country

**Next P&C Meeting is the
AGM - come along!
Monday 3 March 2020 @
6:30pm in the staffroom.
All welcome**

Community Concern re COVID 19

Whilst there is much anxiety and concern at present with regard to COVID 19, at this point in time schools remain operational. Both State and Federal governments have taken what they are advised as the necessary steps and precautions required at this time. Further actions are always being considered and will be enacted when deemed necessary. We have already witnessed the cancellation of major events and activities across the nation, clearly showing that this is a significant concern. That said, these decisions also show that the decisions deemed necessary will actually be taken when and if required.

As always, students who are unwell, or those who have compromised immune systems, should take the correct course of action. In many cases this will be to stay home from school. Please advise the school of these reasons so absences can be validated at the school level.

Schools will continue to act under the guidance of governmental regulations and expectations. We all look forward to this situation being best managed for the benefit of all Australians. Circumstances may change and communication to all members of our school community will be important. Please stay tuned and informed about how we can best work together to maintain children's education and wellbeing both now and moving forward.

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TO YOURSELF

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Voluntary Contributions \$20 per student or \$40
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Updated Contact Details (mobile phone and email contacts in particular)

To ensure effective communication, by email and/or text messaging, it is vitally important that school contact details are up to date. This will assist in communicating any urgent or significant advice to all. If you have changed details or are unsure if our records are correct I encourage you to contact the school to confirm.

School Organisational Changes – Monday 23 March to Thursday 9 April

Starting next week, I have been asked to relieve as the Director, Educational Leadership for the Peel Network in Tamworth. I will remain in that role until the end of term.

During my absence from school, Mr Michael Lord will fill the role of relieving principal. This will follow his return from leave that he is currently enjoying. Mrs Lea Bock has commenced in the role of relieving assistant principal this week and will stay in that position also until term's end.

Whilst relieving opportunities can present change to normality to schools and personnel, they are also invaluable professional learning experiences.

Changes to Events

To continue plans moving forward, as a school we will modify events in an attempt to maintain usual school activities. These changes will consider minimising groups sizes with a focus on events still happening for students. This is likely to include Easter Hat Parade, the school cross country and even how we celebrate ANZAC Day.

End of term Merit Awards will be presented differently, without a whole school assembly. Final details are still being developed, but reality is these events, if they occur, will be without community involvement and held differently to previous occasions.

So at this stage, students should continue creating Easter Hats, training for cross country and continuing to work hard to achieve a Merit Award at the end of Term 1.

Thank you to all families for your understanding and support of how we are working to do things differently in these unique times.



P&C General Meeting and AGM

At this stage the P&C Meeting is scheduled for next Monday evening, 23 March. The P&C will hold their General Meeting followed by the AGM, where Executive positions are vacated and elected for the year ahead. Our school is valuably supported by our P&C, however we continue to face the challenge of growing the level of community representation that it reflects. The hard-working team continues to be open to having a greater membership and I encourage new faces to become active in this space.

Canteen Meal Deal



**Chicken
Burger,
Banana
Sundae &
Juice**

Please write order (with name and class) on a brown paper bag, enclose \$5 and put it in the box in the foyer at school. All orders must be in by **10 am Thursday morning.**

**Next week...Beef Burger +
Cheese, Frozen Grapes & Yogurt
Flavoured Milk**

The P&C Association, unlike steering and management committees of sporting groups and preschools, has a fairly narrow, but significantly important focus.

The objects of the P&C Association, from the State level down to school groups, are:

- (a) to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close co-operation; and
- (b) to assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school and in promoting the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.

By working collectively, much can be achieved. In recent times the hard work has fallen on few shoulders. We look forward to a future where this challenge is shared by a greater number of parent and community representatives.

Until next newsletter.....

<h2 style="text-align: center;">Our Stars</h2>				
KL	Bella Graham	Savannah Davis		
1J	Harper Grove	Abbey Alchin	Hudson Boland	William Staader
2D	Chloe Wood	Archer Craggs	Tom Ford	Cooper MacIntosh
3J	Sophie Robinson	Kaitlin Faint	Jada Spicer	Nevaeh Laurie
4M	Baylen Hull	Ayla Conte	Sophie Butler	Harry Williams
5Z	Levi Cross	Toby Hancock	Amelia Staader	Hayden Graham
6R	Narrissa Hicks	Lily Gabriel	Makayla Bateman	
K-6B	Ella Stevens			
K-6W	Max Osborne & Aliyah Norris			
RIPPER Awards	Hayley Gillett Macklin Steell Billy Lowe Khloe Morgan Maisie Lord	Cherri Hewes Aintwon Williams Cody Bryen Lily Elwell	Chilli Smithicks Hayden Grove Amelia Staader	Mia Hull Zoe Brown Ella Stevens
Book Awards	Kai Simpson Billy Lowe	Cailie Hicks Sophie Alchin	Zoe Robinson Jasper Rose	Zoe Brown

EASTER RAFFLE



The P & C are again holding an Easter Raffle this year. We are asking for donations of Easter goodies to be made up as prizes. Each donation gets a ticket in the raffle.

We have a fabulous 1st prize to be announced soon!

HUGE thanks for your support.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2020



WILDLIFE GUARDIANS

7-11 years
Become a Wildlife Guardian and understand conservation and caring for our native wildlife.
Cost is \$75.00 per participant.
Time: 9am to 3.30pm (registration from 8.30am).
Dates available are 7th, 14th, 16th, 21st & 24th April.

KEEPER FOR A DAY

Open to kids over 12 years
Go behind the scenes and learn all about Zookeeping from one of our qualified and experienced Senior Keepers.
Cost is \$100 per participant.
Limit: 10 per workshop
Time: 9am to 3.30pm (registration from 8.30am)
Dates available: 8th, 15th, 23rd April.



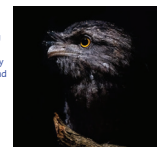
CREATURE KEEPERS

For NDIS planholders and children with a disability. This program offers a safe experience in small groups designed to build a participant's independence, confidence, skills and knowledge of wildlife.
Limit: 4 per workshop
\$150 per workshop
Time: 9am to 2.30pm (register 8.30am)
Dates available are: 22nd April.



CRITTER CAPTURE

Do you love animals and photography? Capturing great images and clips of animals requires a combination of an understanding of photography and an anticipation and knowledge of animals and their behaviour. In this workshop you will learn specialised animal photography from a qualified keeper. This workshop accepts the \$100 Creative Kids voucher.
Cost is \$125 per participant (with \$100 Creative Kids discount available). Limit 6 per workshop
Time: 10am to 3pm (course time, participants can stay in the Park until close).
Dates available: 20th April.



All workshops include lunch, afternoon tea, water bottle and a certificate of participation.

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Harmony Day / Bullying, No Way



Odd Socks Day

On Monday 23 March our school will celebrate Harmony Day and the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence.

This is a day to dress in orange and/or wear odd socks.

We will recognise, celebrate and appreciate differences.

Whilst all schools aspire to be free of bullying and violence, there is a reality that we live in society that is not violence or bullying free.

Together, schools and communities are working to better skill students as individuals. We teach about appropriate behaviours, how to act as bystanders and how the impacts of bullying and anti-social behaviours may be decreased.

For further information parents/carers can access:

Harmony Day website: www.harmony.gov.au

Bullying, No Way website: www.bullyingnoway.gov.au