PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

Every Day Counts
Every day counts. Students’ being at school on time and every day is very important to their overall academic development. The expectation for Semester 1 is for students to miss less than 5 days of school. A guide below provides some guidance on the effect of student absence. If you are having difficulty getting your child to school please contact the classroom teacher, Paula Vicary (School Chaplain) or Robbie.

Attendance: Every day counts

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<td>0-5 days</td>
<td>This is within normal range. A child with this attendance rate is able to take full advantage of the teaching and learning opportunities available to them.</td>
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<td>This attendance rate is below average. A child with this attendance rate could miss over one year of learning between prep and year 10.</td>
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<td>This is a poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate could miss out on up to two years of learning between prep and year 10.</td>
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<td>15+ days</td>
<td>This is a very poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate could miss over two and one half years of learning between Prep and year 10.</td>
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Big Write - Marvellous Inventions
Today our students completed the Big Write using the prompt of Marvellous Inventions. We had a significant amount of students writing more than they usually do. The conversations they are having at home are making a difference. Tomorrow students will be guided in reviewing their writing and setting goals for the following two weeks.

NAPLAN
Next week our year 3’s and 5’s will participate in NAPLAN assessment between the 10 - 12 May. The assessment provides the school with useful information on the progress students are making in English and Mathematics. In addition to this it provides the school with insights on areas for further development.

Please note the following are the times students will be completing NAPLAN assessments.
Tuesday: Writing - 9:30 to 10:30am & Language Conventions 11:40am to 12:40pm.
Wednesday: Reading - 9:30am to 10:30am
Thursday: Math -9:30am to 10:30am
Friday: 9am to 11am - Make up tests for students absent.

Enjoy!
Robbie

SCHOOL NEWS

Entertainment Books Have Arrived!
Entertainment Books are now available. If you did not receive a copy to preview, or wish to purchase an additional book please call in to the office.
Books are $60 each and can be purchased by returning payment in envelope provided to the office or make a payment on line at www.entbook.com.au/113162u
Digital Memberships also available using the link above.
Unsold books / payments are to be returned in the envelope provided to the office by Monday 9th May 2016.

Well Done!!!
Well done to our champion District Cross Country students. Good job!

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ANZAC Appeal
Thank you to those who purchased badges for the Anzac Appeal, $74 was raised for the Drysdale RSL Sub Branch.

NETBALL NEWS

Fixture Link [click here] Reminder that training is held at school each Tuesday during second break.
Wed 4 May 4.40p.m. Court 4
Wed 11 May 5.20p.m. Court 6

Canteen Roster
Thursday 05 May – Nicole D, Mel V, Nadene T, Bronwyn M
Friday 06 May – Cherie P, Kylie W
Thursday 12 May – Claire D, Paula C, Tania C, Amy F
Friday 13 May – Leanne F, Maree W
Thursday 19 May – Justyne W, Wendy W, Nicole W, Nicole D
Friday 20 May – Mel V, Emma H
Thursday 26 May – Claire D, Emma H, Tania C, Nicole D
Friday 27 May – Kylie W, Kylie J, Cherie P
Thursday 02 Jun – Nadene T, Nicole W, Tania C * help needed
Friday 03 Jun – Mel V, Maree W

Mother’s Day Stall – Thursday 5 May.
Thank you to Ann C, Justyne W, Claire D, Donna N and Emma H for offering their assistance on the day. Reminder that students require $5 to purchase a gift, and a plastic bag to ‘hide’ it in. Students will be taken by their class teacher throughout the morning. Strictly one gift per child on the Thursday, we will be offering extra items on Friday morning from 8.30 a.m. for those wishing to purchase additional items.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser
Order forms will go home tonight with students. Orders and payment are to be returned by May 18th for those who wish to participate. Please see class teacher if you did not receive an order form.

Shopping Trip
This has been booked for Sunday 13 November. Cost will be dependent on numbers booked ($35 - $45 per person). Deposit of $25 to be paid to the office. List is displayed in office window of proposed outlets.

2016 DIARY DATES
May
Tues 3 MCG Meeting
Thurs 5 Mother’s Day Stall
Tues 17 Open Morning
Wed 18 School Photographs
Cookie Dough Order due
Fri 20 Moolap Vision (Moolap’s Got Talent @ Assembly)
Tues 24 Division Cross Country
Tues 31 Book Fair