Message from the Principal

Dear families,

Young Leaders Day

Today I am attending the National Young Leaders Day with our school captains Will, Sarah, Emma and Connor. We have been hearing from some inspirational speakers including Bindi Irwin (who is 16 now!) and children's author Andy Griffiths. Over 4300 students are learning that Leadership is about influence and that they have a privileged opportunity to make a difference for themselves and others through the choices they make in life as a leader. We look forward to coming back to school and sharing our experiences.

Congratulations

Recently Bella in year 4/5L successfully auditioned for the State Schools Spectacular Orchestra playing her violin.

We are so proud of Bella as this is a great recognition of her talent and commitment to rehearse to the standard that is required for this position.

Well done Bella!

Riding bikes in the schoolyard

It is great to see so many families riding to school on their bikes and scooters. It is a great way to start the day.

I would like to remind families that for everyone’s safety, we only walk our bikes and scooters in the school yard. With almost 200 students and their families, including little younger siblings gathering in the morning and afternoon, I have recently found myself reminding some students to only walk bikes/scooters in the yard. We would really appreciate parents also supporting this safe practice in the yard. Thank you.

Jackie Green
Principal
Easter Raffle
Thank you to families who have made donations to our Easter Raffle as well as families who have returned sold raffle tickets. Donations are still welcome and can be left at the office. Tickets and money should be returned to the office by Wednesday 25th March.

Library News
To help look after our books it is important for the children to have a library bag to keep their books in. If anyone has spare material bags that could be used as library bags, donations to Mrs Kelly or the Library would be greatly appreciated.
Thank you also for the overwhelming offers to cover new books for the Library. We have already managed to cover all of the new books we have at this stage but will send home books from time to time for covering as we purchase new ones.
Kind regards,
Tracey Kelly

A Message from the 1/2 Team
The 1/2 staff and students would like to send a special ‘thank you’ to Mr Paton who came to visit yesterday. He very kindly came to share some of his Fireman stories, and ‘show and tell’ his special uniform. He even allowed some of the students to try on his helmet, overalls and jacket!
This was a great opportunity for the students to hear firsthand from an emergency helper as part of our learning about ‘people who help us’.
Thanks Joel!
Divisional Swimming Carnival

Congratulations Jessica Briggs and Sarah Brady for participating in the Western Ranges Divisional Swimming Carnival yesterday at the Werribee Olympic Pool. Both Jess and Sarah came 5th in their respective events. Well done girls!

Keyboard Lessons

Kerry Trevethan, our keyboard teacher, is offering private and group lessons to students on a Thursday during school time. If you would like your child to learn to play the piano or keyboard and to learn the language of music, please see Sharon in the office to enrol.

Fees are $13 per group lesson (maximum of 5 children) and $27 per individual lesson and run for 30 minutes.

Hi Fellow Prep Parents,

My name is Rachel and I am Archie’s Mum from Miss Voigt’s class.

I was hoping we could have a ‘Get to Know Each Other’ parent’s night out.

Many of us are busy working parents and don’t always get to catch up in the school yard.

If you’re keen to get to know other parents too, please come along to;

The Junction Hotel
Hall St, Newport
Tuesday 24th March
7.30pm

RSVP to Rachel 0410 613 276 (for booking a table purposes)

Hope to see you there!
Happy Birthday To –

Thomas Sheppard
Georgie Meager
Darwin
Kinjal

Fete Reminder

Our must anticipated Twilight Fete will be held on:

**Friday October 23rd**
**3.30pm-8.30pm**

If you are interested in helping to plan and organise the fete, please contact Samantha Harrison (Will 1/2R & Holly 1/2KJ) samanthaharrison3@hotmail.com or Rachel Fenn (Lily 4/5L; Taj 2/3K; Archie Prep V) rachelfenn13@gmail.com.

Fete Poster Competition

We have a theme for the fete which is “Circus”. But we need a poster to match our theme and to promote the fete to our community. The fete will feature some live performances from some of our very talented parents one of which will be “Zebra”.

All students are encouraged to submit a picture and/or design for our fete poster which is a circus theme and includes a zebra. All designs are to be submitted by the last day of term and we will announce the winner at the start of term 2.

The student with the winning design will win a ride wrist band which will give them free rides for the whole evening!! Entry forms were sent home with last week’s newsletter and are also available at the office.

We have had some fantastic entries so far!!