Message from the Principal

Alliteration

‘The repetition of initial sounds within words in a sentence or phrase’.

I was in 3/4H this week and really enjoyed having a look at some work they have been doing in recent literacy sessions. Their work looks great displayed in a group in the classroom, here are a few samples.
Cake Stall

Our cake stall at The Substation was a huge success! Alex and Lela (Sava and Ella’s mums) would like to thank the many parents who baked and prepared products to sell at the stall. The variety of goods on sale included mars bar slice, butter cake, rocky road, brownies, jams, lemon slice and many more delicious items. Thanks also to Lisa (Wes's mum), Lisa (Maddie’s mum) Stephanie (Bianca’s mum) and Timna (Anais’s mum) for helping sell items on the day. We raised a total of $1,052.50!

Working Bee

Meanwhile, (back at the ranch!) our Working Bee was underway. We had over 20 families represented on Sunday, (and 3 early starters who were here on Saturday!) The work achieved by families last weekend was overwhelming. We have cleared gutters, a well swept courtyard, nature strips edged and mown, a new garden under construction in the front corner, weeded and mulched garden areas and many more tasks around the place. You may have also noticed that one of our trees has been taken down in the playground. As part of our regular tree inspections, this tree was identified as one that could be a potential danger and given its location, it was time to remove it.

As there are many ongoing tasks to do, we have started a list near the garden care centre wall in the courtyard. If you have a spare ½ hour or so at the beginning or end of a day and would like to help keep our school looking great, feel free to pop in and tackle a job on the list.
Lunchtime Activities

We have been running several activities to give students some opportunities for different kinds of play at lunchtimes. These are purely ‘opt in’ activities for kids.

Mr Paton is running a soccer tournament and teams are made up with a student from each year level. The focus is very much on friendly participation and the kids had a ball this week at their first round of games.
Our choir are starting to find their ‘voice’. Here are the Prep – 2 members rehearsing at recess today! Sharon and I are breaking into younger / older group rehearsals to help cater for the overwhelming interest in choir from the students.

To Do

- Permission note and $22 for Melbourne Zoo excursion (Grade 5/6L & 5/6P)
- Permission note and $26 for Animal Land Farm excursion (Grades Prep to 2)
- Parent/Teacher Interviews – preferred interview times
- Pay Term 2 Books & Resources Levy ($62.50 if paying each term)
- Pay Term 2 keyboard fees

House Games
Congratulations to Gold House for winning today’s House Games. Gold House showed the overall best team spirit and were awarded victors in the Egg and Spoon race.
**Premiers’ Reading Challenge**

This week 2 students completed the Premiers’ Reading Challenge.

Congratulations to Nathan Blakemore in 3/4H and Audrey Benn in P/1K.

Nathan read 16 books including ‘The 39-Storey Treehouse’ by Andy Griffiths and ‘Dog Days’ by Jeff Kinney.

Audrey read 36 books including ‘Crocodile Watching’ by Michael Curtain and ‘Angelina on Stage’ by Katharine Holabird.

This week’s Reading Challenge update:

- 21 students completed
- 1,524 books listed
- 1,247 books finished
- Some of the books given 5 stars by our students are – ‘The Little Mermaid – The Same Old Song’ by Marilyn Kaye, ‘One Ted Falls Out of Bed’ by Julia Donaldson, ‘Rex’ by Ursula Dubosarsky and ‘Cupcake Catastrophe’ by Yvette Poshoglian.

**Student Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at assembly this week:

| Prep V | Emma I – for getting to class on time and for putting lots of effort into her writing |
| Prep V | Liam P – for trying new things and for always having a big smile on his face |
| Prep B | Olive – always taking pride and care in her work and setting a positive example for her peers |
| Prep B | Desi – his outstanding listening skills and behaviour in the classroom. Keep up the great work Desi! |

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**Spotty Calendar**

**Monday 2nd June**
- Spotty Friends & Families Group meeting (9.15am)

**Wednesday 4th June**
- Grade 5/6 excursion – Melbourne Zoo

**Friday 6th June**
- Grade 3/4H excursion – Healesville Sanctuary

**Monday 9th June**
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday (no children at school)

**Thursday 12th June**
- Prep to 2 excursion - Animal Land Farm

**Thursday 19th June**
- Mid-year student reports mailed home to parents

**Tuesday 24th June**
- Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Thursday 26th June**
- Family Movie Night (6pm)

**Friday 27th June**
- Last Day of Term 2 (2.30pm dismissal)

**Monday 14th July**
- First Day of Term 3

**Friday 18th July**
- Whole School House Sports Day – Newport Athletics Track *

* more details to follow

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**T-Ball**

Our T-Ball team is at the interschool sport round robin today at the Williamstown Baseball Club. It’s great to see the new sports shirts already on their second outing!

Jackie Green
Principal
| Prep 1K | Ella P – being caring and compassionate to all members of our class and being an awesome leader  
Sydney – being an amazing member of our classroom and always doing his best |
| 1/2R | Corie – displaying great ‘getting along’ skills in the classroom and playground  
Erin – her excellent word building and improved spelling |
| 1/2A | Petra – for her dedication to achieving her writing goal  
Siena G – for her reading, which is always in a warm and expressive tone |
| 3/4H | Abbey – being a fun loving, bubbly girl with a wonderful personality. We adore you Abbey!  
Zoë – always taking the time out each day to help out others and for being such a lovely girl!  
Jessie – her enthusiasm and interest in the school animals. Well done Jessie! |
| 5/6P | Skeet – being a kind and caring young man who always remembers to feed the lizards  
Nick P-G – caring about the environment and emptying all the school’s recycling bins |
| 5/6L | Siope – the care and compassion he shows to all other students and the excellent leadership he demonstrates  
Jasmine S – the have a go attitude she showed at soccer on Friday, scoring a few nice goals too! |

Happy Birthday To –

Aimee  
Tenisha  
Nicholas H  
Dag  
Hiba  
Bethany  
Owen

Spotty Footy Tipping Competition

Leader board (after Round 10):

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* For the first match of each round, you must predict the winning margin. Your margin gets added up throughout the season and is used to separate tippers who have the same score.

Round 11 commenced last night – did you remember to tip? There are 8 more matches for the round with the Saints taking on the Magpies tonight.

I’m trying to finalise the total money pool so I can calculate the amount raised for the school, but we still have some missing payments. Please submit your payment to Sharon in the office. Any queries, please message me through the Footy Tips website or leave a message for me in the office.

Thanks, Lisa

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**Scouts Australia**

Come and celebrate the Grand Opening of the newly renovated, now with disabled access

5th Footscray Scout Hall

on

Sunday 1st June 2014

from 2pm to 4pm

Lots of great **free activities** for kids of all ages

outdoor climbing tower - screen printing - craft activities **free sausage sizzle** and lots more...

At the 5th Footscray Scout Hall
Bellairs Avenue, Seddon, 2011
(opposite Seddon Station)
www.5thfootscrayscoutgroup.com.au
OSHClub News

Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

Hello everyone!

This week’s Oshclub super-star award goes to Anais! Anais always has very beautiful manners, a great attitude as well as endless enthusiasm to be part of the Oshclub activities. CONGRATULATIONS!

Next week’s theme is all about the season Winter, we thought it would be fitting as it's getting quite chilly now...

Next Week’s Activities

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