



Newsletter 2021

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Tuesday 8th June 2021

Landcare Grant Success

Dates to Note

- Mon 14th June

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

- Thurs 17th June

Assembly 2:30 pm

- Fri 25th June

Last day of Term 2



TERM 3

- Mon 12th July

Staff Development Day

- Tues 13th July

Students return for Term 3

- Thurs 15th July

School Photo Day

Full Winter Uniform

- Thurs 22nd July

Small Schools Combined Athletics Carnival

Annangrove Park

- Wed 4th Aug

Zone Field Athletics

- Wed 11th Aug

Zone Track Athletics

Landcare Grant: Thank you to Woolworths and Landcare for selecting our project as one of the many they will be supporting this year. Our \$1000 Grant will be put to good use with the planning, planting and care of a Yarning Circle to be developed within our school grounds. An extra \$500 was also given to support a "Bee awareness program". Very exciting to be supported in this and for our submission to become a reality.

Enrichment Day and Acknowledgement of Country: Thank you to the parents and Mrs Clare who transported our Stage 3 students to their respective venues. It's always good to receive positive feedback about student behaviour. Thank you to all of our Stage 3 students for your active participation and for sharing your ideas with fellow students.

Zoo excursion: A great excursion in spite of it being the only cold wet day that week! This zoo is a very comfortable walk around. Our students were excited, interested and so well behaved... as were the teachers! Luckily any rain encountered was very light and had no impact on our viewing of the delightful zoo inhabitants. The excursion has generated many discussions and stimulated various writing activities, and was a great way to enhance our learning across curriculum areas.

Reports: Your child's half-yearly report is intended to be sent home on Thursday of next week. We will be requesting an interview with you if your child has received extra support because of the COVID funding or is on our NCCD list. As we had interviews in Term 1, we do not expect that interviews will be required this term. If, however, you feel that after reading the report that you do need an interview, please contact the office for this to be arranged at a mutually convenient time.

Please remember if at any time you have any concerns, you may telephone for a face to face appointment or request a phone conversation with your child's teacher.

Absences: If you know your child is going to be away ahead of time, we ask that you notify us, in writing, for medical appointments or requesting leave for time away. This allows the class teacher to modify times for assessments and introduction of new work.

School Photos: Our school photos will be taken on the first Thursday back after the holidays. Thursday 15th July. Students will be in full winter uniform for this which includes black shoes. All photo envelopes have been given to the students. The envelopes need to be returned to school beforehand or on the day with the correct money, there is no change available.

Premiers Sporting Challenge: The school has registered for the 2021 Premier's Sporting Challenge (PSC). Students and Staff will be completing a 10 week Challenge before the end of Term 3. The Challenge encourages all students and staff in all schools to be "more active, more often". We already provide a range of opportunities for our students to be active-as part of our PE and Sport, as well as additional activities during other lessons and at break times, the 10 Week challenge will encourage us even further. Students in K/1/2 will be able to track their progress using their class e-Wall Chart and students in 3 to 6 can record their results using their log books. These provide a visual record of weekly physical activity and an opportunity to discuss the benefits of being active and establishing healthy habits. We are awaiting our PSC pack to be sent out.

Next P&C Meeting: will be tonight, Tuesday 8th June, at 7pm in the school library.

Days to note:

Mondays = K-2 PE, Canteen

Tuesday = Library (K-6)

Wednesdays = Scripture (T3), 3-6 PE

Thursdays = Assembly every 2nd week

Friday = Sports day



STUDENT HEALTH: Any child suffering cold or flu like symptoms, runny nose, sore throats or headaches should not attend school. They are also required to have a COVID test. Students are not to return until the school has been given evidence of a negative result and is not experiencing any symptoms. This still applies until further notice. I thank all of you for your continued vigilance in this area.

Its always the right time to discuss

“Stranger Danger” with your children.



Discussing—What makes a stranger?

Keeping your distance;

Say NO then GO and TELL or...

YELL and TELL. (draw attention to yourself)

Warning Signals (our bodies)



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Middle Dural
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Our P&C will be meeting on

Tuesday 8th June
in the school library!!
7pm ALL WELCOME!

We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

We have found that enormous tasks have fallen on but a few. It's time we all shared the load a little.

Why not join in to be a voice to be heard. Share your thoughts. Maybe offer some assistance in some small way. We would really enjoy your company.



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Continuous effort

(not strength or intelligence)

is the key to unlocking our potential.

~Winston Churchill

A small reminder to parents that if you have any concerns at all regarding your child, their work or an issue with another child in the school, we ask that you please **speak to the class teacher** to clarify the situation. Sometimes things are not quite as they seem.

Do remember that in a small school, teachers are extremely busy, covering anything from 2 to 4 duties a day as well as preparation and marking. It may be, therefore, better to make an appointment to ensure satisfaction all round.

Ann Mills

Principal

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