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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 7

TERM 3 WEEK 7

Four Year Strategic Plan

- Quality Teaching
- Data Analysis
- Early Years/Early Start
- School Community

Student Progress

More and more students are being discussed in informal settings with teachers around the progress and improvement students are making from Prep to Year 6. It has been great to visit classrooms and see handwriting obviously improving in the Prep classroom. I have also sat with teachers and discussed the progress in student's data with Reading and Maths and it has been great to see observable gains in students from the beginning of the year. Effort is the key word in our classrooms and so when commenting on progress with a child we focus on the effort to get there and not the mark they received. But then we ask "What's next?"

Healthy Lunches

There has been an increase in the number of students who are going hungry at second break as they have eaten all their food either before school or at first break. All students are growing and need to eat more food. Staff have been making more and more sandwiches for students at lunchtime. Nothing is as good as a sandwich and some fruit for lunch. Anything homemade is fantastic. There are types of food that is consumed by students which will give them energy to learn during the day. Are you able to recognise the food that your child needs for learning? Come and ask if you are not sure.

Bendigo bank and Commonwealth bank

Bendigo Bank is up and running. Forms are available for all parents/students to access. Come and see me for more information and forms. It will be great to support Bendigo as they are a local bank and they support the school in many ways. Commonwealth Bank customers will continue to be supported as well. And Commonwealth student banking will continue on Thursdays.

"Believe, Strive, Achieve"

Calendar of Events

Mobile Library

Thursday 24th August

10:00am – 12:00pm

School Opinion Survey

Finishes on Friday 24th

August

Father's Day Stall

Thursday 24th August

First Break

Friday 25th August

Second Break if we have

items left to sell

Anglican Parish Family

Fun Day

Saturday 26th August

9:00 – 3:00

Year 4/5/6 Camp

Monday 28th August -

Friday 1st September

**WATCH
THIS
SPACE**
Important Announcements
— of interest to you. —



Great state. Great opportunity.



School Camp

It was great to have the Year 1/2/3 students involved in their camping prep on Friday. Thanks to all, Mrs Pedersen, Mrs Mason and Mrs McKewen for the work and time they took in putting together a great program. Vikki, Kristy T and Janine lovingly put the afternoon tea and evening meal together and it was much appreciated. The work by Jess, Christine, Nat, Emily, Tash, Kristy, Nic, and Roz to ensure the children were fed and looked after in the afternoon/evening was also much appreciated.

Book Week Dress Up

On Friday all students can dress up as their favourite character from a book. Be prepared to explain who the character is, what book they're from and why they like it so much. I look forward to seeing 'who' turns up!

Pine River School Band

What a great show it was last Friday. We had the pleasure of watching and listening to 60 students from the Pine Rivers High School put on a show. To see the range of instruments and hear the musicality was awesome. I even had the chance to sit in the band and play which took me back to my own High School days. It is great to introduce the students to something else.

School Opinion Survey

School Opinion survey has a week to go. All surveys need to finish by this Friday 25th August. That gives you one week. I encourage you to be honest. Remember, when you are responding it is your personality, beliefs and mindset that you are using. I believe there has been some great progress made in the school in how we support each other, how we focus and discuss student improvement, how we are using the curriculum and around staff morale. I look forward to your response.

Market Day

On Saturday we had a bake sale at the Quilt Show and thanks to the parents and students on the day a total of \$425 was raised. I would like to thank all parents who baked and provided food to sell. It was much appreciated and demonstrated what can happen when people decide to get involved and make a difference.

You Can Do It – Getting Along

The key to getting along is enjoying and hoping other people are successful. Some research has shown that wanting others to do well can increase your happiness and encourage people to get along. You don't have to do anything, you don't have to say anything. You just spend 10 seconds hoping someone has a great day. Try it this week and see if it works.

Weekly Behaviour Focus

Be Safe Toilets Respect school property

“When something bad/unexpected happens you have three choices, you can:

1. Let it define you, 2. Let it destroy you, 3. Let it strengthen you”

Lost Property:

There has been a girls wallet handed in, if you own this wallet you need to be able to describe what it looks like. We have also had a gold earring handing into the office, if it is yours please see the ladies in the office.

Students of the Week

Prep - Indy 1/2 – Joanie 2/3 - Roman 4/5 - Jorja 5/6 - Tristan

Learner Awards

Ella & Emily

25 Gotcha Bands

Dakota S & Regan

50 Gotcha Bands

Marcus

Tuckshop News

Friday 25th August: Helpers Needed

Monday 28th August: Helpers Needed

Friday 1st September: Anna N & Brooke G

Monday 4th September: Janine B & Helpers Needed

Friday 8th September: Helpers Needed

Monday 11th September: Helpers Needed

Friday 15th September: NO TUCKSHOP Last Day of Term

If you are available to volunteer for Morning Munchies or Tuckshop please contact Alexis Bella on 0407144977.

Student Council Fundraisers

Father's Day

Due to School Camp the Father's Day stall will be held this Thursday 24th August, at first break.

We will also open on Friday 25th August, at second break if we have any items left to sell.

Spell-a-thon

If you haven't returned your Spell-a-thon form please bring them in this week.

(Not Money) Testing will be happening this week and the scores will be written on the sheets and returned for sponsorship collections. These will then be returned to the school before the end of term.

5 cent coin

There has been a great response from the children with this fundraiser.

This competition will run till the end of this term.

Year 2/3 have nearly filled their jar and are currently running in first place.

We would appreciate parents sending in 5 cent coins for this competition to help the student council.



Exciting games to play and prizes to win with School Banking.

The Dollarmites have found a zero gravity court and are playing incredible games for incredible prizes. They are giving School Bankers the chance to win exciting prizes by saving regularly and exploring the future world in 3D through the magic of augmented reality in the new Future Savers game. The competition period starts Term 3, Monday, 14 August 2017 and ends Term 4, Friday, 10 November 2017.

HIGH TECH PRIZES

- 60x Sphere Bots Racing Robots
- 80x Garmin Kids' Activity Trackers
- 90x 3Doodler 3D Pen Sets

HOW TO ENTER
Make three or more School Banking deposits during the competition period for a chance to win.

GAME MASTER PRIZE

- 50x Nintendo Switch Neon Console Packs

HOW TO ENTER
Make three or more School Banking deposits, play the Future Savers game, complete online entry form during the competition period for a chance to win.

The Future Savers game - an amazing augmented reality adventure
On Monday, 16 October 2017, School Banking will launch the Future Savers game, our first ever augmented reality experience. This amazing technology will bring the future world to life for you to explore and play in with the 3D Dollarmites.

Imagine flying a drone through a 3D futuristic city or playing hover basketball in your room, while learning useful money lessons along the way. The Future Savers game will have three fun challenges that will be unlocked week by week.

Look out for another flyer with more information when the Future Savers game is launched in Term 4. For now, learn more at commbank.com.au/futuregames

Things you should know: Conditions apply, see commbank.com.au/futuregames. Promotion starts 9am AEST on 14/8/17 and ends 11:59pm AEST on 10/11/17. Entry is open to Australian residents aged between 5-13yrs with parental/guardian consent who open or hold an active YouthSaver account until 11:59pm AEST 21/11/17, and participate in the School Banking program via the entrant's school of enrollment. Max. 1 entry per person per draw. Two types of draws conducted: Game Master Draw and High Tech Draw, each with different entry criteria. Entries divided into State/Territory groups (for each draw): NSW/ACT, VIC, TAS, SA/NT, QLD & WA. The draw will take place at: L3, 11 Harbour St, Sydney NSW 2000 at 12pm AEST on 21/11/17. The winners' names will be published at commbank.com.au/futuregames from 28/11/17. SA/NT winners (prizes over \$250) in The Australian 28/11/17. Game Master Draw Prize: Nintendo Switch Neon Pack valued at \$627 (16xNSW/ACT, 13xQLD, 10xVIC, 2xSA/NT, 5xWA, 5xTAS). High Tech Draw Prizes (awarded in descending order of value): Ollie by Sphero valued at \$150 (15xNSW/ACT, 15xQLD, 12xVIC, 4xSA/NT, 7xWA, 4xTAS); Garmin vivofit jr valued at \$99 (26xNSW/ACT, 20xQLD, 15xVIC, 5xSA/NT, 9xWA, 5xTAS); 3Doodler 3D Pen Set valued at \$76 (29xNSW/ACT, 23xQLD, 18xVIC, 6xSA/NT, 10xWA, 5xTAS). Promoter: Commonwealth Bank of Australia, ABN 48 123 123 124, of L3, 11 Harbour St, Sydney NSW 2000. Permits: NSW Permit No. LTSP1714677; ACT Permit No. TP1701036; SA Permit No. 117971. ADV1449 140817

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