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Week 10 Term 3 Newsletter

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last night we celebrated in style the talents of our students at the 'From the 90's to Now' concert. Our gratitude extends to all who made the event the spectacular show that it was!

- Aleeta Northey choreographer extraordinaire
- Mary Kite and Caz Perryman for all the stage management
- Deb McPherson and Mary Kite for stage design
- The whole teaching staff for tireless work and rehearsals to finesse the performance
- Mr Adam Twyford for being a talented sound technician
- Nathan for being a talented lighting specialist
- We also thank Mr Ross Mannell for videoing today's performance

A special thank you to all the Fundraising Committee parents who put on our pre-concert dinner! What a great idea! Your time and support of the school is much appreciated by all of us.

Term 4 NEWS - For those who haven't heard.... in Term 4 I am taking Long Service Leave and Antony, Xavier and I are headed to the UK and Europe. I will also be attending an International Study Tour in Reggio Emilia in Italy. I will return during Week 6 of term. In my absence Mrs Perryman will be Principal, Mrs Kite is Assistant Principal and Mrs Fraser is the Classroom Support Teacher. Thank you for your support of our school leaders during the first 5 weeks of term.

In Term 4 we welcome 8 new students to St Patrick's across the school. I know your children will be excited to have new classmates and will make them feel most welcome at St Pat's. Term 4 will begin with the fun of the Beachathon in Week 1 and Grandparents Day in Week 2. I will be sorry to miss these great days of celebrating community!

Something to ponder on during the holidays:

IMPORTANT DATES

28 SEP	School Holidays 28 Sep 2019 - 12 Oct 2019
13 OCT	Week 1 All day
14 OCT	Staff Development Day All day
15 OCT	Students return, Term 4 begins All day
18 OCT	Beachathon All day
20 OCT	Week 2 All day
23 OCT	Berry Street Training Day 2 Twilight 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
24 OCT	Berry Street Training Day 2 Twilight 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
25 OCT	Day for Daniel All day
	Grandparents Day Mass 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM
	Grandparents Day All day

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

What would you say if you were asked for your Parent's Motto? One thought, "We open minds and hearts." Opening the mind of a child is a joint effort between school and home and more specifically between teacher and parent. There is a huge amount of research data that states that when parents are involved in their children's education at home, their children perform better at school. This performance is further enhanced, if there is a good relationship between teacher and parent based on mutual respect and trust.

The principal criterion for parents to have a positive effect on their child's attitude towards learning is not the level of the parent's income nor the level of education, nor employment status nor language ability, it is the parent's attitude towards learning. Probably, there is every variety of difficulty experienced by a parent when it comes to being involved in a child's education. However, a parent can show how much they value education by taking an active interest in what's happening with their child.

As a parent, our positive attitude towards learning could be expressed by providing a quiet area for home reading and project work, by limiting T.V., screen time and use of technology on school nights and by talking about what's happening at school. Being aware of our school's expectation with regard to home reading and other learning is important as is discussing with your child's teacher, your child's attitude and performance in the classroom.

But what about your child's heart! To be proactive with your child is far more productive for both parties than to be constantly reactive to what your child might get up to. I wonder if we as parents are losing the art of play and don't allow our children's imaginations to be fully expressed. When asked, children sometimes say that their parents are too tired or too busy, are no fun because they have forgotten how to play.

Play is most important because it's how children enjoy life! They learn about rules, sharing, taking turns, community and all those social behaviours that make us rounded people. It's about relationships. Play with a parent is just as much about relationships and trust. No one ever grows old regretting the time they spent playing with their children."

Of course, play is not only about getting off the couch and onto the floor for, as children grow and mature, play becomes more sophisticated; but whatever its shape or form, parents should be important participants.

Blessings for a peace filled and play filled holiday. I hope that you get to spend some quality time with your children.

Jo



Establish a culture of school growth, leading to collaboration and collective efficacy.

To the 90s and beyond

Our Dance extravaganza has been very successful this year. As you would know this has been my first experience of the concert. The build up to the concert has been positive, engaging and rewarding for all involved. The students have experienced a team approach to a performance from beginning to end. As Jo mentioned at the evening performance a concert like "To the 90s and Beyond" doesn't just occur. For each student,

the focus and coordination to initially learn the dance,
the persistence and determination to commit the dance to muscle memory,

the patience and cooperation to be fitted for costumes,
the attention to self and others to work collaboratively,
the ability to use the energy of excitement to enthusiastically perform,

the willingness to help pack up costumes and props,
the growth and collaboration to collectively work towards a common goal,

are just some of the many skills and values that a performance of this magnitude offers and aligns to our strategic annual plan.

Congratulations to all the students for their commitment to their class performance, each individual student made the collective class dance spectacular, and each class performance made the concert and outstanding celebration of the Arts.

PLEASE note students return to school on TUESDAY 15TH OCTOBER, in full school summer uniform.

LIBRARY NEWS



Thanks to those who have hunted down missing Library books. Keep up the search.

Have a great holiday.

Here are some activity ideas:

The
Mystery
of the
Missing Books

School Holidays at Bega Library
Ph: 6499 2127

Storytime: Owls

Come have a hoot of a time at this fun Storytime. Learn all about Owls and their antics sing some songs and make some owl related crafts.

When: Tuesday 1st Oct 10.30am to 11.30am

Cost: Free

Age: 1 to 6 years.

Booking: No need to book, just come on down!

Craft Workshop: Make a Grasshead

Get involved with gardening in a fun and crafty way by making your own "grasshead". Take it home and watch it grow.

When: Wednesday 9th Oct, 10.30am to 11.30am

Cost: Free

Age: 7 years and over

Booking: booking essential. Limited to 12 children.

Book online at

begavalleyshirelibrary.eventbrite.com.au

Book Bega Library Make a Grasshead Craft Workshop



See Toothless alongside a Muttaborrasaurus skeleton!

Pat Platts
Librarian 😊😊

CONCERT DVD

Relive the dance spectacular!! Concert DVD's are available to order through Qkr for \$10.

ANNUAL BEACHATHON

ST PATRICK'S 2019 BEACHATHON is on Friday 18th October

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our Annual School Beachathon is on Friday 18th October. This is one of the Community Council's main fundraising activities. Money collected from sponsors can be returned to the school at any time. The children will be travelling to and from Tathra by bus. There is no charge for the bus. If parents are transporting their child to and from Tathra, you are more than welcome to stay with us for the day. The permission note needs to be returned by Tuesday 15th October. For the day students will need to bring water, hat, sunscreen and food for morning tea. COMFORTABLE SUNSAFE PLAY CLOTHES are to be worn. Children may want to pack spare pants, as they can become damp and sandy.

9:15	Depart school
9:45	Arrive at Lions Park (at Mogereeka)
10: 45	Morning Tea at Dragon Park
11:15	Sandcastle Competition
12:30	BBQ Lunch (provided by Community Council)
1:15	Beach Activities
2:00	Depart from Dragon Park (across the road from shops)

Volunteers are needed for road crossings and helping with the BBQ! Without your help the Beachathon cannot run. If you have not yet volunteered please consider it. It is a great day with the children. Parents, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles are most welcome. Please contact Antoinette Woods on 64920067 or pish_nette@hotmail.com if you are able to help. A roster, detailing where you have offered to help, will be sent home close to the date. The sponsorship form has be sent home today for each child.

DreamWorks Animation: The Exhibition

9am-5pm

12 September 2019 until 2 February 2020. Tickets on sale soon.

Iconic characters from DreamWorks Animation's most celebrated films including *Shrek*, *Trolls* and *How to Train Your Dragon* are among the animations featured in this dynamic and interactive exhibition. Explore concept drawings, storyboards, models, masks, maps, photographs, posters, paintings and other original artworks from the studio's archive.

Animatic Antics school holidays activities

10am-1pm

\$5 child, Mids and adults free. Drop-in, places limited. Bookings not required. Gandel Atrium. **Note:** No program on Monday 7 October

Weekdays, 30 September to 11 October

Join us for holiday activities inspired by *DreamWorks Animation: The Exhibition*. Discover the meaning of pitch, storyboard, frame per second, inbetweening, fades and sync as you explore the fascinating world of animation. Activities suitable for children 6 years and above but younger children are welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult.



Dreamworks Animation