Term 2 Wednesday 25th May 2016

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FOR the FORTNIGHT OF 17th – 21st OF MAY 2016

May
Jacob
Lachlan

June
Kaitlin
Kayla
Ruby O
Matthew

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FROM THE OFFICE

Reminders:
- Can all monies being paid to the school please be done through BPay from now on. Each family was sent home a statement that included their BPay number down the bottom. Please come in and see Tash if you have any problems.

FORMS TO RETURN

Winter Sports form – Grade 4-6
F-3 Camp notices – Foundation – Grade 3
School Photos forms and money – All

PFA

A super huge thank you to all the PFA members, mums and helpers who provided items for the "Olden Days" morning tea last Wednesday. It was a great morning and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. All the children looked amazing in their outfits. Well done everyone!

Breakfast club is on this and every Wednesday. Porridge, vita Brits and beans on toast will all be on the menu. Come along and have a nice warm breakfast before school. Thank you to Mel for your amazing assistance each week (and Hayley for your fab washing up skills!)

We will be having a hot lunch on Thursday 2nd of June (next week) and will be serving ham and cheese toasties, a biscuit and a drink. Still only $4.

Have a great fortnight everyone!
Lareesa

SCHOOL PHOTOS!
MONDAY 30TH MAY
New professional photographer!

Students will need to be in full uniform.
Photo pricing packs will be sent home prior to the day.
www.mainframephotography.com.au

This Friday 27th May the Kids Give group raising funds for Mercy Ships will be selling homemade Gingerbread Men at recess!

Cost:
Large $2.50 each
Small 2 for $1.00
Last week on the 18th of May the whole school enjoyed Olden Days School and Grandparents Day. It was great to see so many visitors to the school and all the fantastic costumes!

Today we had our first dance session to the music ‘Rock this Party’. Everyone seemed to be really excited about it.

Don’t forget coming up we have Rotary Dinner, where myself, Anthony and Ruby C will be serving. We also have School Photos on the 30th! Don’t forget to brush your teeth! Sibling photos are also available.

The 4-6 Night of the Notables is coming up in Week 9. Make sure you invite your family and friends and start thinking about your costumes.

Let your light shine!

Holly
I would like to remind parents and caregivers that students should not arrive at school prior to 8.30am unless they are booked into Before School Care. Teachers are not officially on duty until 8.45, however we do care for students once the first bus arrives, at 8.30am.

Teachers use their time before school for planning and preparing their lessons for the day. Please be considerate of this and only interrupt this time if you need to communicate something of importance.

At the end of the day students are cared for in the F-2 classroom until their parents arrive. They should be collected from the classroom as promptly as possible after 3.15pm. Bus travellers leave by 3.40 in the afternoon. If you require care after this time please make an arrangement with Fiona Henson in After School Care or directly with Mrs Penhall.

Thank you for your consideration.
Christine Penhall

As part of the Musical Futures program we have started to run at school we are still on the lookout for some instruments.

If you could help us (or know of someone who could) with obtaining the following instruments we would be very grateful!

We are happy to pay a small fee for these second hand instruments:

3/4 guitars

Keyboards

“A relationship/friendship cannot grow on excuses. It cannot thrive where one person never wants to accept a single blame for everything that goes wrong.”

“People are quick to point their finger at people doing something wrong but never take responsibility for their mistakes.”

Why are we always so quick to avoid blame?

Why do we always blame others or shift the focus away from our own actions?

Because we’re scared.
We’re worried that others will think less of us. That we will somehow be punished or be deserving of something bad happening to us.
So our natural response is to avoid this at all costs.

“To err is human, to blame the next guy even more so.”

Instead let’s teach our children, by example, to own up to and accept their mistakes. To humbly admit that we are not perfect and have done something wrong.

An apology will go a long way towards fixing a problem, whilst playing the ‘Blame Game’ will prolong your stress, anger and unhappiness.
It’s your choice.

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Wholemeal banana pancakes

- 2 large bananas
- 1 1/2 cups wholemeal self-raising flour
- 1 1/2 cups buttermilk
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 tablespoon honey
- Olive oil cooking spray

Honey and reduced-fat passionfruit yoghurt, to serve

Mash 1 banana in a bowl (see note). Place flour in a bowl. Make a well in the centre. Combine buttermilk, eggs, honey and mashed banana in a jug. Pour into well. Whisk until smooth. Stand for 10 minutes.

Spray a large, non-stick frying pan with oil. Heat over medium heat. Spoon 1/4 cup batter into pan. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes or until bubbles appear on the surface. Turn. Cook for 1 to 2 minutes or until golden and cooked through. Transfer to a plate. Cover to keep warm. Repeat with remaining batter to make 12 pancakes.

Thinly slice remaining banana. Place pancakes on plates. Top with sliced banana, honey and yoghurt. Serve.

Hello travellers!

You were right! Last week I did indeed visit the fair land of India! But where have I been this week, can you guess?

Here are some clues to help you:
1. The highest mountain in this country is Ben Nevis which stands at a height of 1344 metres (4409 feet).
2. A variety of wildlife can be found here, including seals, mountain hare, ptarmigan, stoats and the golden eagle.
3. The thistle is a national symbol of this country.
4. The official animal of this country is...the unicorn!
5. In the north east of the country, girls are called “quines” and boys “louns”.
6. Famous inventions from this country were the television, telephone and penicillin.
7. Shortbread is this countries most famous biscuit

Research in books and the internet and when you think you know the answer write it down with your name and place it in the Jelly Bean box.
A name will be pulled out to win a prize at assembly!
Best of luck!
Signing off!

Journey Jelly Bean
Night of the Notables

This term the students in grades 3-6 have been researching a Notable Australian figure. The culmination of this research will be a special evening called ‘Night of the Notables’ in which the students will showcase their research and share their knowledge.

Family and friends are encouraged to come and enjoy the student’s displays.

Each students display will include:

- Their project on display
- Any display items that help to set the scene about the life of their notable. For example: Dawn Fraser- swimming goggles, medals, towels etc.
- A costume of their notable which they will be wearing. This does not have to be an expensive outfit, just some clothing or accessories from home or the op shop. Some ideas include: wigs, ties, hats, jewellery, glasses, old clothes etc.

Wednesday 8th June
at Flowerdale Primary School
6pm-7.30pm

Attending Night of the Notables is required for all students as it is an important part of their assessment.

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**Thursday 2nd June**

**$4.00**

Ham & Cheese Toasties
Biscuit
Drink

*Provided by the PFA*