

NUMBER 25

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

REMINDERS FOR WEEK FOUR: TERM THREE 2017

Friday August 18 th	• ASSEMBLY 3pm
Monday August 21 st	•
Tuesday August 22 nd	
Wednesday August 23 rd	• School Council 7pm
Thursday August 24 th	•
Friday August 25 th	• BOOK DAY • ASSEMBLY 3pm

EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS – Grade 4/5A



Our Exceptional Students this week are Taya Field, Rebecca Goode and Angus Impey.

Taya is an exceptional student because she greets us with a smile every day and has the wonderful ability to get along with every member of the class. When Taya sees another student who needs help or is alone Taya is always ready to offer a helping hand or provide company. She has a quiet determination that enables her to persist through any challenges and achieve her best. Taya is always organised and when she is away it becomes very clear that she keeps us all organised in Grade 4/5. Terrific work Taya.

Rebecca is an exceptional student because she is always striving hard to complete everything to the highest possible standard. Rebecca quietly persists at activities that are challenging and shows wonderful confidence in the way she is willing to just have a go at every task. We often hear Rebecca offering assistance and encouragement to her classmates and she quietly and efficiently gets jobs done around the classroom. Wonderful work Rebecca.

Angus is an exceptional student because of his cheerful and friendly outlook. He bounces in with a smile every day, he is willing to help out anyone who needs a hand and he shows persistence and resilience when he encounters a challenge. Angus is a great friend to everyone in our class and is always doing his best to keep his classmates happy. He notices when other people have done a great job and we often hear him offering encouragement and recognition of their efforts. Awesome work Angus

Our Exceptional students will be presented with their awards at tomorrow's assembly at 3pm

YOU CAN DO IT! STARS

Persistence – Caught 10 times

Ellie Bott Braxtyn Moore Kelvin Moore Millie Flannery

Academic Excellence – Caught 10 times

Ellie Bott Kelvin Moore Tiarna Keegan Kade Perkins Akaysha Moore Janaya Grace

Getting Along – Caught 10 times

Janaya Grace Amelia Oliver Nomes Amundsen

Resilience– Caught 10 times

Jonathon Goode Lexi Araldi-Box Maddy Amundsen

Organisation– Caught 10 times

Jonathon Goode Brayden Stjohn Ayden Perkins Talisha Hockley

Getting Along – Caught 20 times

Paddy Impey Gracie Piergrosse Tommy Compton Sam Fidge Talisha Hockley Jonathon Goode

Persistence – Caught 20 times

Lou Impey Talisha Hockley Samuel Herbertson Jayden McCluskey

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Organisation– Caught 20 times

Esther Thompson

Resilience – Caught 20 times

Sam Fidge Jonathon Goode

Academic Excellence – Caught 20 times

Briah Burford

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Lexi Araldi-Box

Matilda Cashin

Scarlett Clark

Paddy Impey

Kelvin Moore

Chad Daniel

Matthew Rethus

Julia Stiles

Kiah Cashin

Lou Impey

Kade Perkins

Brayden Stjohn

Our stars will receive their awards at tomorrow's assembly.

PARENT SURVEY

At this stage, we have had only 4 responses. It's important for us to get a wide range of responses from many parents. A letter with the on-line link went home 2 weeks ago. The survey is open until Friday August 25th.

BOOK DAY – Friday August 25th

We are celebrating Book Week next Friday, August 25th. Come dressed as a book character.

9am - Parade of characters followed by Whole School 'Read to Someone'

10am - Prep to 3 working with author Alison Reynolds while 4 to 6 do special activities in their class around a Short-Listed Book.

11.30am - 4-6 working with author Alison Reynolds while Prep to 3 do special activities in their class around a Short-Listed Book.

Normal assembly at **3pm**.

An order form of some of Alison Reynolds books is attached to today's newsletter.

STUDENT SURVEY

We have received the results of the on-line student survey that our Grade 4, 5 and 6 students completed last term. The staff have spent 3 meetings analysing the results. I will be going through the results with the student leaders and then with each grade level individually. The leaders will present a summary of the results at tomorrow's assembly. Overall we are very pleased with the results with following questions receiving a positive response from every student in Grade 4, 5 & 6;

My teacher tells us what we are learning and why.

My teacher expects students to pay attention

My teachers sets clear rules for classroom behaviour

My teacher believes I can do well at school

My teacher expects nothing less than our full effort

I try again when I don't succeed

I want to learn new things

I try very hard at school

I ask my teacher for help when I find my work difficult

At this school, there is a teacher or another adult who cares about me.

At this school, there is a teacher or another adult who listens to me when I have something to say

I am always available to go through our results with anyone who is interested.

MARINE SCIENCE EXPO



Our Grade 2 students participated in a Marine Science Expo yesterday at the Civic Hall. The event was a student led project that enabled 12 marine science students from Bayview to develop their organisation, leadership and communication skills.

Ex-students Courtney Ball, Kellie Brewster and Archie Silvester were amongst the organisers who enabled our current students to have a great time while learning about Marine Science.



IMPORTANT EXTRA-CURRICULA TERM 3 DATES

August	Wednesday	23rd	-	School Council
	Friday	18 th	-	Disco
	Friday	25 th	-	Book Day activities
	Wednesday	30 th	-	Music Festival
	Thursday	31 st	-	District Basketball - Boys
September	Friday	1 st	-	{ Father's Day Breakfast Father's Day Stall
	Thursday	7 th	-	District Basketball - Girls
	Thursday	14 th	-	Arts Council Performance - Zeeko
	Monday	18 th	-	Supercamp – Grade 3/4
	Tuesday	19 th	-	Supercamp – Grade 3/4
	Wednesday	20 th	-	Supercamp – Grade 3/4
	Friday	22 nd	-	{ Last Day of Term 3 Assembly/Shared Lunch 12pm

LEE GIBBONS.....PRINCIPAL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Scarlett Clark who turns 7 on Tuesday.

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

Lunches – Helpers tomorrow Anitha & Bonnie; Friday 25th August – Kerry and Julie (Fenton Hill)

DISCO Tomorrow Friday, 18th August 6pm – 8pm

Entry \$3.....Drinks – Jelly – Chips – Lollies etc. will be on sale

All proceeds will go towards this years Grade 5/6 Melbourne camp.

Music Festival

The Music Festival will be held:-

Where: **Civic Hall**

When: **Wednesday 30th August**

Time: **7:00pm.**

Arrival Time: **6:45pm.**

Children are required to be at the hall by 6.45pm

Boys are required to wear **black pants, a plain white t-shirt** and a **leather jacket** (if they have one).

Girls are required to wear **a skirt, coloured top and leather jacket** (if they have one). To ensure that all children have correct

costumes, we will be having a dress rehearsal on **Thursday 24th August**. Can you please make sure your child/children have their costume at school next Thursday.

Kate Hughes and Jake Davies

Chaplain's Corner – The lesson of the solar lights

It was a job I never got around to. Replacing the rechargeable batteries in our solar lights. The one in a bush at our front gate had dimmed and died. As had the pink lights in one of our trees. All I needed to do was put in some recharged batteries. No big deal. I simply hadn't got around to it.

Then along came our recent, beautiful, sunny weather. Spring arrived for a couple of days. And, you've guessed it. The lights came back on too. That sunshine had charged up the batteries. The bush lights looked great and stayed on for hours after sunset. Our tree looked a treat too. I was struck by the difference made by two days of sunlight. Our bush and a tree took on a new appearance. Oddly, there are lessons here for families I suspect....

- **We don't get to do everything** – Mums and dads, kids too. No matter how hard we work to tick all the boxes of what has to be done around the place, there's always one or two we just don't get to. For whatever reason. And when we do, other boxes arrive waiting for their tick.
- **So, we have to be smart with priorities** – Not everything is equally important. Our lives carried on even though the solar lights didn't. We are very wise if we teach our kids the priorities of what really has to be done, and what can wait. A really important difference.
- **We keep check then on our priorities** – Like listening, making routines work well (like getting up and ready for school, the going to bed variety). Teeth cleaning, showers, proper diet, the personal health priorities. All these are about proper self-care. Not to be forgotten. Important priorities.
- **So, what about the lesser priorities?** – An excellent question. When minor things start to annoy or frustrate us, it's time to act. The not-working solar lights didn't win this status. But some things do. The tyre that sometimes loses pressure. The flashing fluoro in the laundry.
- **We help our kids manage stress in the process** – Since we can't tick all the boxes as parents, our kids won't be able to either. It's kind and wise to say, "Don't stress about this now. We can get to that when we have a moment." It removes a hassle for them and us.
- **And some kids are born worriers** – We may not know why. They just are. If we are always hitting them with the list of boxes they have to tick, we are not easing their anxiety – just increasing it. We need to teach them that not everything is worth a worry. Big lesson.
- **Does this mean that we back off everything that needs to be done?** – Of course not. With priorities sorted, we'll know which goals do need to be kicked. The best checking process is simply, "Will attending to this help our family to function more happily?" If yes, do it.
- **Be careful if you are a perfectionist!** – If everything has to be done now and without mistakes, you will be a pain in the neck for your partner and kids. Be assured. If you become overly obsessive, life will be tough for you and unbearable for everyone. Back off. You will still be alive tomorrow.
- **Always feel good about getting things done** – It is a really good feeling for you and your kids to be able to say, "Hey, we've ticked those boxes today!" Commend your kids for making routines work. Give a pat on the back for a tidy bedroom (this may not happen often perhaps?).
- **And there's another great lesson too** – Not everything needs to be done. Some problems, with the passage of time, simply work themselves out. Like the sun and our solar lights. It's not that we ignore them. They just drop off the list. So, relax, stop running in circles! Enjoy the days.

Your kids will take your lead. Spend time. Talk. Help them work out their priorities. Remember, no one has to jump just because there's a box unticked. Be kind to yourselves and your kids.

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