FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Tomorrow we complete our first term of learning for 2016. This has been a short term but certainly a busy and productive one. I thank those parents who made the time to meet with their child’s class teacher to discuss how they are learning and developing. If you missed making an appointment you are welcome to make contact with the teacher and arrange a mutually convenient time. We know children benefit from a close parent/teacher partnership ensuring they can reach their potential.

Cross Country

What a fun day had by all! The students all enjoyed competing and doing their best. Students with eligible times will now go on to the District competition.

Congratulations to our age champions:
9yrs Desmond Watego and Jade Nicol
10 yrs Kaydan Chadwick and Maddison Thomson
11 yrs Ben Wilson and Cayley Naumann
12 yrs Khiarn Toon and Asha Wassell and Renae Rasmussen

Congratulations to Flinders our winning house.

School Crossing

Our Prep classes have been practising crossing the road safely with our Lollipop Lady, Sandy. They have learnt to wait behind the yellow line and cross when she blows her whistle. We were so pleased to see them being so safe using the crossing as we unfortunately have some cars that come down our street at a fast pace in spite of the road signs.

Here are some photos of our students crossing the road safely. Thank you so much to the parents who also model safe practices by using the crossing with their children.

Easter Parade

Once again we will have our Easter Hat Parade on Thursday at 1:40pm. Parents and family are always welcome to join us. Chappy Carol has an Easter Eatery operating from 1pm, so come early and enjoy a coffee and a cupcake before the parade.
Year 5 Camp

We are having a Year 5 Camp this year to change the camp rotation so it no longer is in the same year as our FETE. The year 5 camp will be at Tallebudgera Beach School from Monday 25 October for 3 days/2 nights.

Head Lice

Please take the time to check your child’s hair over the holidays and treat them if needed. A two week break is a chance to get on top of an infestation if your child has one. Head lice are common and easily transferred. The most cost effective way to get rid of them is by soaking your child’s hair with cheap conditioner and using a nit comb. Run the nit comb across a paper towel to wipe the conditioner off the comb. This easily allows you to see if you have removed the lice and eggs. Repeat this procedure every couple of days for two weeks and you will break the cycle. We find it so much more effective than expensive treatments. It is also very clear when you have removed all the lice and eggs as the conditioner is clear on the paper towel.

Silver Challenge

Thursday is the last day for the Silver Challenge. Thank you for your support of this fundraising project by the P & C Parent Group. The winning class will be announced at the Easter Parade.

Playground

The students are certainly very excited to be using the new playground. We were able to construct this playground with a $35,000 grant we received from the Community Benefit Fund and the support of the P & C.

NAPLAN Term 2

Next term our Year 3 and Year 5 students sit the nationwide NAPLAN tests. We encourage all our students to read, discuss current affairs and practise on mathletics over the holidays so they continue forward on their learning journey.

Anzac Day Ceremony

Our ANZAC DAY commemoration ceremony is planned for Friday 22 April at 9am. Parents are welcome to join us for the ceremony.

Bunnings BBQ

A huge thank you to Vanessa and Gary for coordinating the Bunnings BBQ on Saturday.

Thank you also to Chris Paterson and the ladies from the Harvest Church who assisted on the day. For such a small group of helpers the money raised was outstanding. The BBQ had a profit of $1685.

New Administration Staff

After the holidays you will see a new face in our school office. Mrs Nicki Dobson joins us job sharing with Carolyn Gordon. Carolyn will now work Mondays and Thursdays while Nicki will be here every day. Please make Nicki welcome as she gets to know our students and families.

I wish all our students and families a Happy Easter and a safe holiday. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 11 April. (There is no Pupil Free Day).

Jackie Fiedler – Principal

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**Easter Meal Deal**

The Easter Meal Deal will be handed out to the children at first break on Thursday. No food orders will be taken on Thursday morning for first break. Second break sales will be as normal.

Keep an eye on the Vienna Woods Tuckshop Facebook page for any changes and an up to date menu for 2016.

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**6P's Bold Protest**

Protest? Yes, 6P actually did one this week. First of all, what is a protest? A protest is like an opposition, disagreement, or an objection such as "Put your rubbish in the bin!" or, "Stop animal cruelty!" which are some of the topics this grade six class did this week. But why? Their inspiration started in Miss Norton’s history lessons set in the late 1800s. Back then women weren’t allowed to work, have equal pay, or even vote in political elections! So during 1891, the Women’s Suffrage League was formed - Suffrage, meaning, right to vote in political elections. The Suffragettes protested until they got the right to vote in political elections later in 1902, which was their biggest success. This protesting by the suffragettes to get what they were entitled to drove 6P to hold their own bold protest in front of the office last Friday.

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**Woolies Earn and Learn Vouchers**

Wow!!! What a fantastic effort!!! This is all of the Teaching Aids and Resources that we were able to purchase with our Woolworths Earn and Learn points from last year. As you can see it is very worthwhile to get behind these competitions. We have now received our products from Woolworths Earn and Learn Promotions and we would like to send out a BIG Thank you to all of the parents and students who helped collect the stickers and we hope you will get behind us again this year when the competitions start again!!!
School Events Calendar

Thursday 24 March  
Easter Bonnet Parade

Monday 11 April  
Term 2 starts

Tuesday 19 April  
Year 4-6 Carnival Day

Friday 22 April  
ANZAC Day Ceremony

Tuesday 24 May  
School Photos

P & C Events Calendar

Thursday 24 March  
Easter Meal Deal

Tuesday 12 April  
P & C Meeting 6.30pm

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