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Term 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 8 June 15 – 19	15 ICAS Writing	16 ICAS Spelling Assembly – Possums & Joeys 9.30 am	17	18	19 Assembly – 3/4E, 3/4TD, 3/4W (Inclusion) Piano/guitar recitals
Week 9 June 22 – 26	22 Christian Education in Schools	23 Duncan Smith visits Preschool	24 Hub Reference Group	25 Principal's Morning Tea Life Education Yr1/2	26 Athletics Carnival – Calwell Duncan Smith visits Preschool
Week 10 June 29 – Jly 3	29	30 Kulture Break Rehearsal & Performance Preschool Shared Morning Tea	1 Jly Reports home	2 Magic Mania – Winy Preschool Shared Morning Tea	3 Assembly – 5/6N, 5/6GL (Organisation)

Notes Going Home This Week

Cooba Camp Expression of Interest

Duncan Smith visit to Preschool

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Despite being a short week we have still all been extremely busy in Week 7. Many of our students are currently engaged in completing mid-year assessments as our staff are well in to the process of mid-year report writing. Students are also beginning to reach the end of their second inquiry unit for the year.

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of sharing the Principal's morning tea with selected students from across the school. Congratulations to the students who have been identified by their teachers demonstrating our school values consistently.

Thanks to those parents who were able to attend our P & C meeting in the Hub on Wednesday evening. I would like to invite all interested parents, who are very keen and committed to supporting our school, to become part of this group. The next meeting is scheduled for 29 July 2015 at 3.30 pm in the Hub.

Also on Wednesday, approximately 20 of our students in 3/4 represented our school in the 5-side soccer gala day congratulations to these students who were such great ambassadors for our school. Mrs Whittle reported that the behaviour and sportsmanship of the students was exemplary.

On Tuesday, many of our students participated in our pyjama day fundraiser. This event combined with the special lunch raised in excess of \$1000 profit for the P & C. Congratulations and thanks to all involved in organising this event.

This week an expression of interest form for the Year 5/6 camp in Term 4 was sent home. I encourage all interested parents/carers to return these forms to school as soon as possible as numbers need to be

confirmed. Please note that an expression of interest form for the Year 3/4 camp in Term 3 was sent home in Week 4 and must be returned by Monday at the latest.

A special reminder for Preschool parents that the Possums and Joeys will be presenting assembly in the school hall on Tuesday 16 June at 9.30 am. I encourage all parents/carers who are able to attend to come along.

Finally, I would like to inform parents/carers that following the successful roll out of Google Chromebooks in our 5/6 unit, we have purchased an additional set of Chromebooks for use by our Year 3/4 students. These will become available for students in Term 3. To support this process the school will be conducting an information session for parents/carers on Tuesday 28 July at 6.00 pm.

Hope you all enjoy your weekend.

Shane Carpenter
Principal

Stationery Requirements

Many students are running low on some of their stationery items that were purchased at the beginning of the year. Please ask your child/ren if they require items such as glue sticks, pencils, exercise books etc. that you may still have at home.

Dirt to Dish News

With freezing mornings and sunny days, winter is definitely here!

The students have been making a myriad of delicious dishes in the kitchen over the last few weeks as well as planting some new crops for term 3 and beyond. While winter seems like a terrible time to garden, there are a lot of plants that thrive in the cold weather and need brisk temperatures to develop properly.

Week 5 saw us using lots of different vegetables and flavours to make spicy baked samosas and this week we have been using up our harvest to make minestrone and carrot-apple & cinnamon muffins.

We had a bumper crop of carrots this season which we have been able to put to good use, and as a result of our planting in term 4 of last year, we have just harvested 6kgs of potatoes! (These grew from two sprouting potatoes leftover from a recipe in Term 2 2014!). Potatoes are incredibly easy to grow and digging in the ground for the hidden treasures makes it worth the wait.

Year 3/4 planted out our garlic this week and we will continue to care for the bulbs as they grow through winter and spring, ready to harvest and sell in Term 4. We have also planted more carrots, broccoli, kale, peas and onions.

I look forward to being able to help the children set up a market stall in the warmer months for you to come and purchase some of our harvest to help support the Dirt to Dish program at Monash.

Happy Cooking!

THE ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

If you would like to keep your copy of the Entertainment Book, please enclose your payment in the envelope the book came in and return to the Front Office immediately as the fundraiser is being wound up. The school receives \$12 on each copy sold. Any unwanted copies of the Entertainment Book must be returned, in the envelope it came in, to the



Front Office **immediately.** If you would like to order additional copies of the book, please see the Front Office.

Thank you for your support.

Hub Happenings

Clothing Pool

The clothing pool at the Hub is overflowing with school uniform items - some new and still in their packets. If you would like to come and have a look, the clothing pool is open on Monday mornings from 8.30am to 9.30am. We have a full range of sizing from 4 to 16.



Regular activities

Clothing Pool: Monday mornings from 8.30 am to 9.30 am

Breakfast Club: Monday and Tuesday from 8.15am to 8.55am

Parents/Carers Morning Tea: Monday from 9.15am to 10.30am

Playgroup: Tuesday from 9.30am to 11.30am. Please bring a piece of fruit to share for morning tea and a gold coin donation.

Upcoming Events

Goodwin Village Christmas in July morning tea in the Hub. Wednesday 1 July from 10.30am to 11.30am.

This is always a lovely morning for both the residents and students.

Hub Coordinator

P & C News

Second Hand Clothing Pool

The second hand clothing pool will be running out of the Monash Family Hub – please check with Virginia for opening hours. We have a range of brand new and second hand t-shirts, jumpers, skorts, shorts and dresses. New items are \$5 and second hand items are \$2.

SCHOOL BANKING

To encourage regular savings behaviour the program offers an exciting Rewards Program. Every deposit earns your child a Dollarmites token, and once they've collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward.



School Banking day is Friday – so please remember to hand your completed bank books in to the front office before school. If your children are not currently involved in the School Banking program and you would like to know more, please ask for a 2015 School Banking program Information Pack from the school office.

Student Banking Coordinator

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

School uniforms are available from Savvy School Wear, shop 32, Homeworld, Soward Way, Tuggeranong. For any enquiries, please phone Savvy on 6293 4342/9529. All Monash parents receive 10% off uniform purchases. Bomber jackets are unavailable at the moment – notification will be given when they become available.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Anglicare's Pantry Appeal

Anglicare is conducting their annual 'Pantry Appeal'. Donations to the appeal make a huge difference to the lives of fellow Australians going hungry through winter. Some of the types of items that can be donated are: tinned foods, UHT milk & breakfast food, nappies & baby needs, school lunch spreads & snacks, pasta/rice & quick meals and toiletries.

If you would like to donate any of the abovementioned items, please drop them off at the front office for collection by Anglicare.

For further information please call 1800 187768 or visit www.anglicare.com.au

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