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Dates to Remember

Monday, 28 July	Year 3 / 4 Camp to Birrigai ICAS English
Tuesday, 29 July	Year 3 / 4 Camp to Birrigai ICAS English
Friday, 1 August	Assembly Year 5 / 6 at 9.15 am

Notes Going Home This Week

Tuggeranong PSSA Athletics
Joeys and Possums Bus Wash note
Preschool incursion – Duncan Smith visit

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to Term 3. Our students have had a very positive week settling back into school routines extremely well. It has been wonderful to hear from the children about the many varied and interesting activities that occurred during the school holidays. Many of the students have been reflecting on this in their writing this week.

Over the school holidays a team of parents lead by Patrick completed our wonderful new Values Wall located at the southern end of the school (where the children line up for Meet and Greet in the morning). If you have not had an opportunity to see it yet, I encourage you to either attend Meet and Greet one morning or view some photographs of the wall that have been placed on our school Facebook page.



Kinder students enjoyed their 100 day celebrations on Wednesday. It was great to see the staff and so many children dress up and enjoy the day.



Today, our 5 / 6 students facilitated our NAIDOC assembly. The aim of this assembly was to recognise the significance of the Indigenous culture in our nation. I would like to congratulate our 5 / 6 students on preparing and presenting this assembly for the rest of the school to reflect upon.

Next week, on Monday and Tuesday approximately 80 of our Year 3 / 4 students will be participating in the overnight camp to be held at Birrigai Outdoor Learning Centre. The children are clearly very excited about attending camp and I would like to thank families who have provided their children with the support to participate in this adventure. A reminder that full supervision will be provided at school for those students not attending the camp. I will be accompanying the students and staff on camp for these two days and in my absence Andrew Buesnel will be Acting Principal.



As we begin Semester Two staff have been reflecting with the children to develop new goals for the second half of this year. In Week 3 parent/teacher interviews will occur. All parents/carers are invited to nominate a preferred time to meet with home group teachers to discuss the individual progress and goal setting process for each student. If your child has not delivered an interview sheet indicating available times, please contact the front office as soon as possible.

This week our school focus value has been “Inclusion”. On a whole school level and in home groups we have been exploring ways in which we can include everyone more effectively. I encourage parents/carers to discuss this subject with the children.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise the achievements of two of our senior students who have represented our school magnificently in recent times. Ella (5/6R) was successful in reaching the semi-finals of the ACT Rostrum Public Speaking competition. Tyra (5/6R) was selected for the ACT under 12 Touch Football team. Congratulations to both girls!

Finally, I would like to inform parents/carers that we have organised for members of the Australian Federal Police to attend the school in coming weeks to speak with our children about a number of topics with a particular focus on Cyber Awareness and Bullying. As has been stated in previous newsletters, this appears to be a significant issue for a growing number of students. If you do not wish your child to participate in these sessions conducted by the AFP, please inform your child’s home group teacher.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Shane Carpenter
Principal

School Hats

As Term 3 begins, just a reminder that Sunsmart hats must be worn in the playground each school day.



The front office has bucket hats for sale at \$10 each in medium or large sizes.

VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT – INCLUSION

Skill of the Fortnight- Tolerating Differences (Accepting Others)In weeks 1 and 2 we will be focusing on: Tolerating Differences (Accepting Others).

We will learn that the steps for this skill are:

1. Think about the things you have in common with the other person.
2. Take note of the differences.
3. Focus on the shared interests, tastes, and activities you and the other person have.

4. Express appreciation and respect for the other person as an individual.

Reasons for using this skill:

1. Others are more likely to accept you for who you are as well.
2. You won't hurt other peoples' feelings.
3. People are more likely to think you're a fair person.

If you see your child using this skill at home, please reinforce this positive behaviour with them.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Sick children

If your child is not well, please try to keep them at home so that illnesses are not spread amongst other students and staff. Also, please advise the front office if your child has had an injury over the weekend that may impact them when they return to school.

Thank you

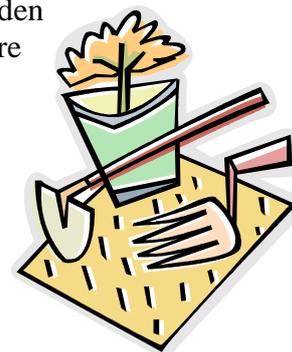
Dirt to Dish Kitchen News

Hi everyone

Welcome back to the Kitchen Garden news for term 3. The good news is that our garden survived the winter holidays and even though some things were a little frozen, they are all still growing strong!

Some new planting will be taking place this term in preparation for spring, so it should be an exciting time to keep an eye on the garden. Don't forget that everyone is welcome to join in at any time with gardening at school and if you would like to be a part of our Monash School Green Team, don't hesitate to contact me.

In kitchen news we have been using up our bumper crop of beautiful silver beet and rainbow chard to make yummy Gozleme this week.



Gozleme is a fried Turkish flatbread, usually filled with vegetables or meat and cheese. Crispy on the outside & delicious on the inside, it is a perfect snack food and very easy to prepare. Our dough is simply a mix of flour and natural Greek yoghurt, kneaded for a few minutes & rolled very thinly before being filled with spinach, tasty cheese and ricotta. (Traditionally you would use Feta or Haloumi cheese). Once it has been fried in olive oil, a final squeeze of lemon is all that you need to make the Gozleme perfect!

There are many different recipes and combinations for making Gozleme, but I encourage you to give this one a go, for such a small amount of effort you will be rewarded with big results!

Fridge quote of the week: *"I'm so glad I don't have to hunt for my food. I don't even know where sandwiches live!"*

Happy cooking everyone.

"Hub Happenings"



Welcome back to a new and exciting term 3.

Breakfast club is back in full swing on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 8.15 am to 9.00 am. Breakfast club is open to all children to provide a healthy start to the day. We also welcome families to enjoy breakfast together. If you are able to volunteer to help set up and serve on any of these days please let me know it would be greatly appreciated.

Mums/Dads and carers morning tea Tuesdays from 9.30 am to 10.30 am.

Playgroup Friday's 9.30 am to 11.30 am

Everyone welcome. It's a great time to relax and connect with others while the children play and create. Please bring a gold coin donation and a piece of fruit to share for the children's morning tea.

KidsMatter introduction for parents will be held on Thursday, 31 July at 7.00 pm. I encourage all parents and carers to come along and hear about this great initiative.

Boot camp starts next Friday, 1 August on the Monash Primary school oval 3.15pm. This is open to all parents and carers at the school and is free of charge....come along it will be great.

Hub Helpings is the name of a new care and compassion initiative where the school and community pull together to help each other by supplying a meal to families who maybe going through a rough patch, sickness or just need a night off. How this works is by making meals and freezing them so when you hear of someone doing it tough you can take them a meal from The Hub.

This initiative needs many hands! Please let me know if you are able to supply a meal or if you are interested in helping. I am passionate about this and would love to see it up and running smoothly.

Up Coming Events

Girls Night In at The hub is on Friday, 22 August starting at 6.00 pm. There will be looming, nail painting, a lovely movie maybe a cupcake or 2. Please put your names down at the front office.

Family pumpkin decorating competition starts on 1 October and the winner will be drawn at the fete to be held in October. It is a gold coin entry fee and the prize for the best decorated pumpkin will be a family pass to Flip Out.

P & C News

CANTEEN NEWS

Welcome back to Canteen this term. The Winter menu continues this term so please ensure you have a copy. Daily meal specials include – Baked Potatoes (available Mon/Tues/Wed), Jaffles (Mon only), Chicken Goujons/nuggets (Tues only), Burger day is Wednesday.

Save time Order online – Please consider ordering lunch online, it is so quick and easy to use and makes it easier for us too! Register on **flexischools.com** and put some money into your account (enough for the next term) -it takes less than 10 minutes, then you are ready to use it. Flexischools keeps track of your orders and shows your balance as you go, you can also set it up to automatically to up your funds when low.

Lunch Orders are to be placed by 8.45 am (flexischools) or dropped to canteen by 9.00 am on the day required. Early lunch orders may be placed in the blue box outside canteen any time prior to 8.45am for your convenience. **Paper lunch orders** must be written on a paper bag with the correct change, using the current menu and prices.

Winter Warmers snacks such as cuppa soup for \$1 (available at lunchtime), or nachos (\$2) and chicken goujons (\$1.50) available at recess.

Canteen Helpers are always needed and greatly appreciated. Contact Veronica at canteen on 62916357 or monashpscanteen@outlook.com if you can help at any time or particularly on Friday 8 or 15 August.

Canteen Roster

Mon 28 th July	Jo	Mon 4 th Aug	Jo
Tues 29 th	Tracey	Tues 5th	Tracey
Wed 30 th	Rachel	Wed 6th	Rachel
Thurs 31 st	Lyn	Thurs 7th	Julie
Fri 1 st Aug	Diane	Fri 8th	HELPER NEEDED

Second Hand Clothing Pool

The Second hand clothing pool will be open on Wednesday, 30 July from 8.30 am to 9.30 am.

Lost Property

Please check lost property if you are missing any clothing items. Anything left at the end of term will be donated to a charity or the second hand clothing pool.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK!

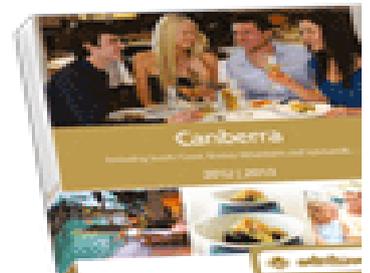
Please return the Entertainment Book that was sent home with your child immediately as we are now finalising the fundraiser.

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Please remember to reference Monash School when registering your 2014 | 2015 Entertainment™ Membership.

SCHOOL BANKING



Why not join in the fun at your school!! School Banking operates each Friday, except the last day of term. Please bring completed bank books to the Front Office

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

School uniforms are available from Savvy School & Formal Wear, shop 32, Homeworld, Soward Way, Tuggeranong. For any enquiries, please phone Savvy on 6293 4342. All Monash parents receive 10% off uniform purchases.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Family Event: Wombat Stew

Canberra Museum and Gallery

Saturday 26 July: 9–10am and 11am–12pm

In association with the live performance of *Wombat Stew* at the Canberra Theatre Centre, follow the trail of wombat prints across Civic Square to CMAG and burrow in for a range of free wombat inspired activities around the museum. Presented in association with Canberra Theatre Centre and Garry Ginivan Attractions *Wombat Stew*.

Free, for families with 4 to 10 year olds, bookings essential 6207 3968.

For further information on the live performance of *Wombat Stew* visit the Canberra Theatre Centre web site at: www.canberratheatrecentre.com.au

Canberra Museum and Gallery

Corner London Circuit & Civic Square, Canberra City | 6207 3968

Monday to Friday › 10am – 5pm, Saturday and Sunday › 12 noon – 4pm

www.museumsandgalleries.act.gov.au

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