FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

WALKATHON
Don’t forget to join the kids next week on our Walkathon. We hope you can be involved and that you are encouraging sponsorship as it is our major fundraiser for the year. The oval rejuvenation is our target for money raised.

FATHER’S DAY
One of the most important days of the year coming up on Sunday! A big thank you to members of our PFA who did a fantastic job in organising, preparing, purchasing and selling great gifts at good prices to the students to surprise dad with on Sunday.

ANAPHYLAXIS
We had a guest speaker, Carol Whitehead, from the Royal Children’s Hospital attend a meeting last night of teachers and parents to discuss policy and current initiatives related to anaphylaxis. We all need to remain vigilant and be aware that a number of our students could be placed in a life threatening situation if they even come into contact with certain food products or suffer particular insect bites. We appreciate the ongoing support of our community in not sending particular foods to school that may trigger a reaction. Thanks also to the staff for attending, Pete for organising the evening and parents for their contributions on the night. A draft policy will soon be released to a random sample of families for feedback.

NAPLAN
Individual reports for students in Years 3 and 5 will be sent home tomorrow. These reports will also be accompanied by a letter explaining results. Teachers will make use of results as a part of our ongoing assessment of student progress to allow us to cater for learning needs.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
A ‘Techie Brekkie’ was conducted before school this morning related to blogging and in particular classroom blogs. Teachers took the opportunity to further develop their knowledge and we thank Katelyn Fraser for her guidance with this.

Three teachers attended a ‘managing behaviour’ session yesterday afternoon. It was conducted by Jo Lange who has some excellent ideas about dealing with children and especially about adults remaining calm in their interactions. These teachers will share their ideas with other staff at school to reaffirm current practices and develop further strategies when dealing with students.

WORKING BEE
We conducted a mini working bee, led by staff, on Friday after school with several parents also assisting. We managed to move piles of mulch to surround some newly planted trees and shrubs in the back corner of the school bordering our childcare centre neighbours. Thank you to all for volunteering your time and to Robyn Smith for her organisation (further report below).

LEAVE
Phil Clinkaberry is currently on leave overseas so Pete and Andrew are holding the fort (please be kind)!! We haven’t heard from him yet so no news is good news. Phil will return at the beginning of Term 3. Robyn Smith is also on leave and has a number of things she is eager to do. She will be back before the end of term.

Best wishes,
Phil, Andrew and Pete

CURRENT NEWS

WALKATHON SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Orders close tomorrow morning and must be received at the office by 9.30am. No late orders can be accepted due to special ordering of supplies for this event.

Please also remember this is an afternoon snack not a lunch and students should bring lunch as normal on this day.

DANCESPORT TEAM
Our dancesport students are competing in Geelong on Saturday and we wish them the very best of luck.

KILLARA 21st BIRTHDAY CONCERT 17 SEPT
A reminder that tickets are on sale now visit http://www.trybooking.com/FULJ OR http://www.trybooking.com/101695

NO DOGS IN SCHOOL GROUNDS
A reminder to all families, dogs are not permitted in the school grounds. Please wait outside the gates if you have brought your pet with you when picking up children.

GOOD CITIZEN AWARDS
PREPS Fletcher Room 2
1/2 Bailey Room 17
3/4 Lauren Room 11
5/6 Emily Room 8
WE CONQUERED THE MOUNTAINS OF MULCH!
It started last Thursday, the 5/6s got involved, then on Friday word had got around more 5/6s, then 3/4s, then after school on Friday night we had parents, students, teachers, teachers families!
It was a mammoth effort – thank you all so very much. Our native tree planting area behind the 3/4 building is looking so good. With some more TLC we are hoping for a 100% survival rate. Special thanks to Bill and his ‘dingo’ and to Julie Mac’s husband Robert and son, Luke, who took all the green waste to the tip.
The Sustainability Team

PMI - KEYBOARD
We are very excited to announce a significant new addition to our music curriculum - the PMI Stars Program. This new initiative will create a series of musical goals for students, achievement awards, performance opportunities and greater parent interaction and visibility of student progress. We have also written a theory book to summarise key musical concepts - this will be mailed to students as part of the new PMI Stars Program. Students will receive materials towards the end of this school term - and the program is free of charge to students.

PMI Stars works as follows:
- We have developed a program of ‘Star Missions’ based on important musical skills that students must complete (e.g. music theory, sight reading, aural skills, practical skills, performance opportunities such as lunchtime concerts, parent concerts, assembly performances, etc)

- The ‘Star Missions’ are grouped into a series of 16 levels that the student can achieve with names such as Musician, Performer, Maestro, Virtuoso, etc.

- Students who advance to the next level will receive:
  (i) a coloured wristband as an award;
  (ii) a detailed letter sent home to parents outlining: student progress, skills the student has mastered and tips for practice and parent involvement in the upcoming level;
  (iii) a practice chart and stickers to put up on the fridge at home.

- The initial PMI Stars program will be for keyboard only; we anticipate distribution of a similar PMI Stars Program for guitar in Term 4.

### PUPIL OF THE WEEK
#### TERM 3 WEEK 7

**Junior School**
- Preps Practising sounding out in Reading, Writing and Word Study
  - R1 Sumit B
  - R2 Fletcher A
  - R3 Brooklyn M
  - R4 Isabella D
- 3/4 Completing and sharing their home-learning task
  - R17 Felix O
  - R18 Dion D
  - R19 Jackson V
  - R20 Sienna W
  - R22 Charlie P
  - R23 Jonathan M
  - R24 Chelsea S
  - R25 Zayne H

**Middle School**
- Bringing a sense of humour to the classroom
  - R11 Nicholas A
  - R12 Erin G
  - R13 Kingston T
  - R14 Mitchell J
- Year 1/2 Showing maturity towards their learning
  - R15 Dylan V
  - R16 Cooper G

#### Senior School
- Showing maturity towards their learning
  - R11 Nicholas A
  - R12 Erin G
  - R13 Kingston T
  - R14 Mitchell J

#### Specials Class of the Week

**Performing Arts**
3/4 F – Sarah Vosti
For the way they worked together to create their concert item

**Visual Arts**
1/2 H – Bec Armistead
For putting a fantastic effort into creating their clay dinosaurs

**Physical Education**
3/4 G – Caroline Hole
For putting in an outstanding repetitive practice session

**Library**
3/4 A – John Boland
Cooperatively engaging in library activities

**Auslan**
Prep C – Emily Farrell
Super great finger spelling

### BOOK FAIR SALES HAVE BEEN EXTENDED UNTIL NEXT MONDAY 8th SEPTEMBER

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