‘Curiosity is the wick in the candle of learning’
William Arthur Ward

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Week 6.

Professional Learning
It has been proven that the teacher has the greatest impact in a classroom on the learning of students. For this reason, it is essential that our staff keep up-to-date with the most modern teaching techniques and ‘tools’ that educational research and a changing curriculum demands. We need to continually build the capacity of teachers to deliver a dynamic educational experience to the ever changing needs of the 21st Century Learner. Education and the way it is delivered has changed dramatically from when we were at school and teachers need to continually be upskilled in order to meet the students’ needs.

At times throughout the year, your child/ren’s teacher/s will be required to attend professional learning courses or strategic planning days. These days are designed to enhance the tools, skills and knowledge required by teachers to best meet the individual needs of your child. On the days that the teachers are attending professional learning, the casual teacher employed will be following the usual class program. I thank you for your understanding.

Student Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews
Student reports for Semester One will be sent home on Monday 16 June. Formal parent teacher interviews will be held on Tuesday 24 June (Week 9) with interviews available during the day and afternoon. Interview booking sheets and all the relevant information will be provided to parents at the same time as the report.

A parent teacher interview is a wonderful opportunity for you to meet with your child/ren’s teacher/s to discuss their progress. We look forward to meeting with you later in the term to share with you your child/ren’s education.

Of course our doors are always open and if you have concerns at any time throughout the year, please arrange a time to meet with the class teacher.

Kindergarten Parent Request
Due to an increased number of ‘accidents’ in recent times, we ask that parents of children in Kindergarten continue to pack a clean change of underwear in their child’s school bag.

Zone Cross Country
Congratulations to all the students who completed in the Zone Cross Country. Mrs Richardson, Miss Harrison and Mrs Hilliard were very proud of the efforts of all our students who participated. Thank you to the parents who attended the day to support your child and our school. Thank you to the students for their effort and great behaviour.

Social Media Site WARNING – ‘Omegle’
Green Valley Police have requested schools make aware the dangers of a new social media site called ‘Omegle’.
Omegle is a free online chat website that allows users to communicate with strangers without registering. The service randomly pairs one-on-one chat sessions where they chat anonymously using the handles ‘You’ and ‘Stranger’. The site
also has video conferencing and a mobile application.
The dangers of the site is that due to the fact that the website does not require a user name or password to access the site, there is no permanent record to assist police in identifying a person of interest.

Have a wonderful week.
Sandy Juleff

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FROM THE STUDENTS

Dragons
This Term the Dragons have been learning about Australian Multi-culturism. After reading a postcard by an English migrant we had to write a short postcard addressed to Mr Narres talking about a holiday or outing we took with our family. We could write about a real day or an imaginary day. Here are some examples.

To Mr Narres

I went to Canberra with my family. Henry our dog had to stay at the pet hotel while we went sightseeing. He stayed with a dog called Princess. We got to Canberra at about 9pm I think. A few days after we arrived we went to Quest-a-con. There was a 360’ swing, straight down slide and lots of other stuff, it was really really great. I loved going to Canberra.

From Helen

My European holiday

Dear Mr Narres from City: Venice Country: Italy

Hi it’s me Angus and our tour bus has just arrived in Venice. I’m with my mum, sister and brother and we had to get a boat to the hotel because Venice is mostly made up of water. The hotel we are staying at is kind of fancy, it has golden pillars inside the lobby and the room is huge. Tomorrow we are going on a gondola ride to see the sights of Venice. We are going to stay here for a few days before we catch a first class train to Paris.

Hope you’re well Angus!

Mr Narres,

I went to Wollongong with my family. We went fishing with my dad. He caught a flat head and my 2 brothers did too. I did not catch one, but that was ok because I was happy to be with my dad and mum and my two brothers.

Bye Mr Narres.

From Zander

Logan’s Canberra Trip

Hi Mr Narres,

I went to Quest-a-con with my family today. I saw the lightning cage, a tornado machine, electricity machine and the earthquake house, it was lots of fun. My favourite part was the free fall slide where you hang and drop.

See ya later

Logan!

To Mr Narres,

On our holiday we went on a plane to Perth. On the plane the airline host gave us some food and drink which was good because it was a really long flight. When we got there we went to our pop’s house and I was allowed to bring my Yoda clock so I could see what the time was. I had a great time in Perth.

Nathan

Dear Mr Narres

Hey Hey Hey Mr N, I’m having so much fun in Queensland. First it too a really long time to get here but we did arrive safely and we are staying at Aunty Wendy and Aunty Liz’s place. I am really excited because I am going to go to Dreamworld with my family and I know I’m going to love it.

See ya Tristan.
Hi Mr Narres,

I am writing you a letter to tell you about my fun holiday to Bali. I went swimming in the pool and I almost tread on a lizard. I met a new friend at Bali but I can’t remember what his name was. Bali is great I had spaghetti and milk for my dinner one night and we also got to go shopping. I got a blue dress and my sister got a pink one. My uncle was with us and when we went to the beach we found a starfish. My family also went to turtle island and I got to hold a lot of different animals like a bat and a snake. It was a wonderful holiday.

Imogen

Dance Workshop

Last Friday students from the Pixies, Pegasus and Dragons participated in a dance workshop at Busby West Public School. A fun day was had by all students.

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LEADERS’ UPDATE

The Year 6 Finance and School Leaders will be holding a meeting soon to organise fundraising events for Year 6.

Our first fundraising event will be held later this term and will be a multi-day. Look out for the date and details in a later newsletter. The SRC and School Leaders will also be having a meeting sometime during this term to also talk about possible fundraising and other school events.

SPORT LEADERS’ UPDATE

Last week the school was lucky enough to buy new sports equipment from the money we got from the Premier’s Sporting Challenge. On Friday 30 May the students who made the time for the Zone Cross Country carnival went to Mount Pritchard to compete against many schools around the Green Valley area.
Everyone did a great job and congratulations to Ryan who competed in the Under 11s and came eleventh.

Thank you to everyone who competed and to Miss Z who organised to bring the shelter on that hot day.

P & C UPDATE

Our next P & C meeting is on Monday 16th June.

Joanne Mossman
President

SPECIAL AWARDS

Term 2 Week 6

Congratulations and a fantastic effort to the following students who received honour awards:

Yellow
Zander  Dean  Anthony
Joshua  Aaron  Reilly R.
Molly x 3

Silver
Zander  Alana  Amy
Molly

Gold
Kyla  Zander  Molly

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