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We work **HARD!** We choose **KIND!**

WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO FEEL SAFE

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Principal's Report

I would like to start by thanking our school community for working with us to successfully navigate through the school term safely and successfully. With our proximity to the Victorian border, it has been quite stressful for many families not just from the risk of a COVID outbreak, but the impact it has on being able to work and visit friends and families.

By ensuring that we have safe practices whilst maintaining good attendance, we have been able to operate as close to normal as possible.

Year 7 Big Day Out

Yesterday the Year 7 cohort had their *Big Day Out* as an excursion in lieu of camp being cancelled. Firstly, they were involved in trust and team building activities that promoted the use of positive communication and teamwork to support. This led onto the high ropes course where many were taken out of their comfort zone.

I was especially pleased to see every student have a go and eventually complete at least one of the challenges. Considering prior to the event, there were quite a few (including a few staff) who were very reluctant!



It's a long way up!

D i a r y D a t e s

Breakfast Club Mon, Wed & Fri: 8:40am – 8:55am
 Lunch Order Days: Monday & Tuesday

Week 10

Friday 25th Assembly hosted by room 5 1:15pm – 1:40pm
 Tuff Truck event 1:40pm – 2:15pm
 Early dismissal 2:15pm

Term 4, Week 1

First day of term 1, Monday 12th October

Students learnt that taking safe risks to stretch themselves can be very empowering!

Once back at school, students played a few games before having dinner then off to the movies. With the candy bar cleaned out of popcorn and choc-tops it was a relaxing end to a busy day!

Term 4

The beginning of term 4 is busy, please write the following information into your calendars.

Sports Day – Wednesday 21st October
Pupil Free Day – Thursday 22nd October
School Closure – 23rd October

A reminder that in term 4 it is school policy to wear broad brimmed hats, these are available from the front office for \$8.00 each. Classrooms will also have sunscreen available for student use.

Paul Harmer
 Principal



Sports Day is fast approaching! We are busy planning what will be another successful day. The day will run a little differently to previous years with more break times added in and additional whole school and parent activities, the day will still end with a free zooper dooper to all students. Notes home advising/reminding your child of their team name and colour will be sent home in week 1. Please encourage your child/ren to dress up in their team colours for the day! Get in the team spirit!

Catering

We will have Joanne’s Espresso Express (coffee van) available for the day, our BBQ sausage sizzle and a small cake stall run by our Governing Council. Like any successful day we will need parent helpers, if you are able to help with cooking sausages, serving customers or taking payments please let our Front Office know by completing the form below.

Please write your name in your available timeslot and return to the Front Office, or phone us on 8725 2824 and let Toni know.

	Cook BBQ	Serve Customers	Handle Money
9:30am			
10:00am			
10:30am			
11:00am			
11:30pm			
12:00pm			
12:30pm			
1:00pm			

Early next term we will have a pre order form sent home with children for sweets (Chocolate Cupcakes, Vanilla Cupcakes, Funny face biscuits) & drinks. The BBQ sausage sizzle will operate as usual like other years, there will also be sweets and soft drinks for sale on the day with price lists being finalised in week 1, term 4.

Social Distancing / Covid - 19

Whilst there are Covid-19 restrictions in place parents and caregivers MUST social distance from those who they do not reside with. Drinking fountains are not to be directly drank from, children, parents and carers are very welcome to fill up drink bottles. There will be active Covid Marshalls on the day.

Filming and Photography

Much like our assemblies, no parent or caregiver is permitted to photograph or film students whilst on school grounds at any given time. This is for child protection reasons and must be respected.

We understand that parents want to film or photograph their children participating in events, so the school has organised a staff member as the dedicated photographer for the day. Photographs of the day will then be audited to ensure all child protection requirements are met, then a small ‘Sports Day’ photo booklet will be available.

Timetable

The Sports Day timetable is included with this newsletter, you will notice that events start 30 minutes later than usual at 9:30am – however children must be at school by 8:50am for the whole assembly and warm up. From 2:00 – 2:30pm we will run our whole school events which includes participation from parents and carers, feedback from last year was that it was really successful and a great way to end the day.

Following the whole school events Sports Day presentations will be held in the gym, including the presentation of the Connah Delaney Memorial Medal which is awarded to the fastest year 6 boy. Students will then be dismissed from their classrooms at 3:15pm.

What to bring

Parents and caregivers are welcome to bring a picnic blanket and set up for the day, the best spot for this would be on the hill under the gum trees or on the grassed area outside of the gym. The oval space will be used for events.

In term four all staff and children must wear hats (these are available from the front office for \$8.00). We will have sunscreen available on the day for student use.

HATS IN TERM 4

Please remember that it is school policy to wear a hat outside at all times this term. It is really important that you label the hat clearly. Hats are available to purchase from our Front Office for \$8.00.



JUNIOR PRIMARY SPORTS DAY TIMETABLE

	Room 1	Room 4	Room 5	Room 6	Room 7	Room 11	Room 16
8:50am	Meet in classrooms for roll						
9:30am	Whole school assembly, Welcome to Country, warm up dance & activity. Into class groups to begin Sports Day!						
10:00am	Fruit Break	Obstacle Course	Sack Race	Hurdles	Accuracy Throw	Soccer Kick	Water Relay
10:15am	Scooter Board Relay	Fruit Break	Obstacle Course	Sack Race	Hurdles	Accuracy Throw	Soccer Kick
10:30am	Dress Up Egg & Spoon Relay	Scooter Board Relay	Fruit Break	Obstacle Course	Sack Race	Hurdles	Accuracy Throw
10:45am	Water Relay	Dress Up Egg & Spoon Relay	Scooter Board Relay	Fruit Break	Obstacle Course	Sack Race	Hurdles
11:00am	Soccer Kick	Water Relay	Dress Up Egg & Spoon Relay	Scooter Board Relay	Fruit Break	Obstacle Course	Sack Race
11:15am	Whole School Recess 11:15am – 11:45am						
11:45am	Accuracy Throw	Soccer Kick	Water Relay	Dress Up Egg & Spoon Relay	Scooter Board Relay	Fruit Break	Obstacle Course
12:00pm	Hurdles	Accuracy Throw	Soccer Kick	Water Relay	Dress Up Egg & Spoon Relay	Scooter Board Relay	Fruit Break
12:15pm	Sack Race	Hurdles	Accuracy Throw	Soccer Kick	Water Relay	Dress Up Egg & Spoon Relay	Scooter Board Relay
12:30pm	Obstacle Course	Sack Race	Hurdles	Accuracy Throw	Soccer Kick	Water Relay	Dress Up Egg & Spoon Relay
Quickly pack up last event (take equip to front of Science Room 22)							
12:30pm	Whole School Lunch 12:30pm – 1:15pm						
1:15pm	Championship Sprints - Gather into house groups on oval						
2:00pm	Whole School Relay + Parents/Staff Vs Student Tug 'O' War						
2:30pm	Presentation of the Connah Delaney Memorial Medal – Winner of Year 6 Boy Championship Sprint Good Sports Awards, House Captain Certificates & Winning Team Shield						
Back to class for 3:15pm dismissal							

UPPER PRIMARY SPORTS DAY TIMETABLE

	Room 10	Room 12	Room 13	Room 14	Room 17	Room 19	Room 20	Room 21
8:50am	Meet in classrooms for roll							
9:30am	Whole school assembly, Welcome to Country, warm up dance & activity. Into class groups to begin Sports Day!							
10:00am	Fruit Break	Vortex	High Jump	Long Jump	Tug 'O' War	Egg & Spoon	Hurdles	Water Relay
10:15am	Flag Relay	Fruit Break	Vortex	High Jump	Long Jump	Tug 'O' War	Egg & Spoon	Hurdles
10:30am	Water Relay	Flag Relay	Fruit Break	Vortex	High Jump	Long Jump	Tug 'O' War	Egg & Spoon
10:45am	Hurdles	Water Relay	Flag Relay	Fruit Break	Vortex	High Jump	Long Jump	Tug 'O' War
11:00am	Egg & Spoon	Hurdles	Water Relay	Flag Relay	Fruit Break	Vortex	High Jump	Long Jump
11:15am	Whole School Recess 11:15am – 11:45am							
11:45am	Tug 'O' War	Egg & Spoon	Hurdles	Water Relay	Flag Relay	Fruit Break	Vortex	High Jump
12:00pm	Long Jump	Tug 'O' War	Egg & Spoon	Hurdles	Water Relay	Flag Relay	Fruit Break	Vortex
12:15pm	High Jump	Long Jump	Tug 'O' War	Egg & Spoon	Hurdles	Water Relay	Flag Relay	Fruit Break
12:30pm	Vortex	High Jump	Long Jump	Tug 'O' War	Egg & Spoon	Hurdles	Water Relay	Flag Relay
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TUFF TRUCK DAY

Tuff Truck Day is when you will crawl through mud, flip tyres and do the whole school run!

It is optional to participate, but we recommend you do as it will be great fun for you and your fellow classmates!!

Be prepared for an adventurous end of term! We advise you to dress in old clothes!!

YOU WILL GET VERY DIRTY!!

WHEN: 25/09/2020
TIME: 1:40 – 2:15pm
WHERE: School Oval
WHY: Have some fun



Let us know if you CAN'T get muddy and aren't participating

