



DATES TO REMEMBER

25 SEPT	LAST DAY OF TERM
12 OCT	1ST DAY TERM 4
14 OCT	SCHOOL PHOTOS

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

We now have long sleeve t-shirts available for students to wear underneath their polo shirts or dresses for added warmth. The cost is \$18.00. Please note that these do not have a logo and are not to be worn instead of the polo.

Bottle green is the only colour to be worn underneath shirts and dresses. No white or coloured long sleeved t-shirts or skivvies.

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From the Principal's desk

Many events might have been cancelled but our students have still been busy with their learning in their classrooms and the few in-school events that we have been able to organise.

Over the last two weeks we have farewelled staff and welcomed staff. In Week 4 we bid a sad farewell to Miss Kyriakous who has left us to open an OOSH at another school. We were very sad to see her go as she has been with us for three years and will be greatly missed by our students especially those students in 1 Green. Last week we welcomed Mrs Hadfield who will teach 1 Green on Thursday and Friday. This week we welcomed Miss Plater who will teach science, library and assist with EALD students. We hope that they both soon feel part of our school and enjoy their time with us.

Education Week

Although we were unable to have parents join with us for Education Week events we still held a number of events during the week when students were able to showcase their learning in a number of ways. I know that many teachers sent parents photos and videos of their students taking part in activities. We even managed to hold our Harmony Day which is always a great event at our school. It was amazing to see so many of our students in their national costumes or wearing orange. Our parade of nations was a fantastic spectacle as the students paraded around the oval behind the flag of their origin. In all we had over forty different flags. We hope that you have watched the video of the parade.

During the week we awarded special Education Weeks awards to one student from each class for their dedication to learning. Congratulations to those students.

Bronze and Gold Award Winners

Congratulations also to Joel Beddoe from Year 3 who was awarded his gold medallion at a whole school assembly. Joel is the youngest student to receive his gold medal. We are very proud of you Joel.

Congratulations also to those students who received bronze awards at that assembly. We are very proud of all those students who are working so hard towards achieving their awards.



Christine Easter
PRINCIPAL

Updated Covid Information

Last week we sent home updated advice from the department regarding changes to school routines and for staff and students. Please read the information carefully. As of this week any students who present with any flu type systems need to be sent home. We ask that parents then have their child tested for covid. Before they return to school we need to sight the results of the test. Parents are still not able to come into the school unless it is to pick up a sick child. All assemblies and meetings are still on hold. Our breakfast club is once again cancelled indefinitely. All sporting and performing arts events outside of the school are also cancelled until further notice.

Little Learners Program

Unfortunately we have also had to cancel our in school Little Learners program. Normally we would have our new kinder students and their parents come into school for a number of sessions in order to familiarise them with the school setting but instead we are in the process of organising all of those students who will start in kindergarten next year onto Class Dojo. We will then send out information, photos, videos, welcome tasks for students through this platform so that they and their parents become familiar with our school.



Afternoon Dismissal

We are still working really hard to make the afternoon dismissal flow as smoothly and as quickly as possible. Thank to all those parents who are assisting us in following the guidelines we have set out. However we have noticed an increasing number of parents who are directing their children to go to the bus gate to be picked up from there. This exit is for bus pick up only.. We have up to 5 buses pulling in in the afternoon to pick up students. Parents collecting students from that entrance has created more problems for staff who are supervising students boarding buses. We are asking you to collect your children from the front gate or preferably from the Kiss and Ride zone not from that gate.

Online Check In Tests

As you are aware NAPLAN tests for Years 3 and 5 were cancelled this year as they were to be held during remote learning. However the Department has replaced them with a shorter literacy and numeracy test for these years so as to give parents and school an indication of student progress. Our students have been completing these tests this week. We should have the results with a week.

Tell Them From Me Parent Survey

Our school is now in the process or developing a new school plan for the next three years. As part of this process we gather feedback from students, staff and parents.

We would like to gather as much feedback as possible from parents that will guide us in evaluating our current plan and in developing our new plan. The link for the parent survey is <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/tjbvg>. Alternatively we have developed a QR

code that you can use that will take you directly to the survey. We will also display these on the front fence so that you can complete it using a phone while dropping or picking up students.



SASS Week

This week is SASS Week when we get to say “**THANK YOU**” to our wonderful office staff, SLSO’s and our GA. This morning we held a special assembly when they were presented with cards and gifts from our students.

We are extremely grateful for all the help and assistance they give to our students and their families. Our school wouldn’t run so smoothly without all their help.

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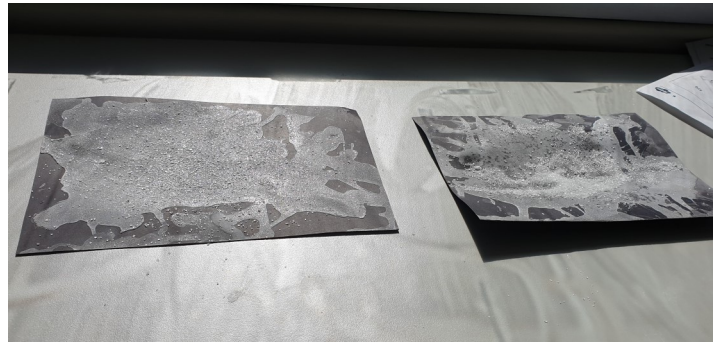
Golf Program

Our primary students have been trying their hand at golf over the past two weeks. This is a new venture for our students and has created lots of fun and enjoyment as well as giving them the opportunity to learn some golf skills. This week stage 1 students had their chance to participate.



5/6 Blue News

Students in 5/6 Blue have been learning about natural disasters. This has been a focus of the majority of learning tasks in class as they collect research, read quality texts, summarise, create timelines, write and rehearse scripts. Next week, students will begin filming their documentaries about their chosen natural disaster, explaining all they know about them and how communities can prepare for an incoming disaster.



We are also enjoying a hands-on approach to mathematics, science experiments with Mrs Burgess and now this week with Miss Plater, a golf program with Sefton Golf Club's golf professional, Craig as well as learning and role-playing how to put out 'friendship fires' which have empowered students in 5/6 Blue to stand up for themselves when friends are upsetting them without turning disagreements into conflicts

Enrolments 2021

We are now accepting enrolments for students for next year. Please pass on this message to any friends or neighbours who might have children to start next year. We would like to know our expected enrolment for next year so as to plan in advance.

Enrolment forms are available at the office.

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