

What's Happening?

Tuesday 4th June – Family Life Information Night - CANCELLED

Thursday 6th June – Parents and Friends Meeting 9am

Monday 10th June – Queen's Birthday Public Holiday – no school

Tuesday 11th June – Family Life Incursion Grade 5/6

Tuesday 18th June – Family Life Incursion Grade 5/6

Friday 21st June – Curriculum Day – no school for students

Thursday 25th June – Family Life Incursion Grade 5/6

Thursday 27th June – Reports available on Compass

Friday 28th June – End of Term 2. 2:30 dismissal

Monday 15th July – First Day of Term 3

Absence SMS

If your child arrives after 9:00am please ensure that your child is signed in at the office. If they are not signed in you will receive an SMS stating that your child is away.

Attendance Update:

Number of Children with 95% Attendance or more

75

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to begin this newsletter with a huge thank you to our parent community for helping with the Election BBQ on Saturday 18th. A number of families donated bread, cakes, biscuits, soft drinks, sauces etc. and a number of families signed up to help with the sausage sizzle on the day.



Thank you all so much for supporting our school. We made just over \$1000 to buy home-readers for all our students. If you would like to help our school in any way, but you don't know where to start, please do not hesitate to speak to any of our staff, or other parents. We are always looking for people to help in many different ways.

Car Park and New Child Safe Sign In Times:

I would like to apologise for the back gate not being open yesterday morning. Mrs Fuller was a little flustered directing the traffic in the car park that morning, and would like to thank you all for your understanding and patience.

As part of the Child Safe Standards it is a requirement that any persons visiting the school must sign in using the kiosk in the front office. As of Monday, any parent entering the school grounds before 3:15 to wait for their child to be dismissed, must sign in in the front office. Any person staying on the school grounds after 3:40 must be signed in.

If you are picking up your child from the Tennis Court carpark, please ensure you have left the carpark by 3:40. The staff manning this carpark often have meetings to attend after school. Please also remind your child to walk around the back of the cars to get to your car, rather than crossing in front of the cars which may reverse or drive towards the exit. Thank you for your cooperation.

COMPASS: Now that we are all becoming 'used' to the Compass App, we are moving forward and trialling excursion payments and consent forms through Compass rather than paper. If you require any support to access these, please come to the office for help. We have set up a special computer on the front desk where we are able to teach you how to access these events as well as the Compass Calendar.

NAPLAN: NAPLAN testing been completed. Although we had a few problems, we did not have to re-set any of the tests like other schools did. It was certainly a different experience, completing the testing online, compared to previous years. We were very happy with the way in which the children approached all of the tests. Well done.

Watch this space: Working Bee Happening Soon: Since the new portables and our toilet block have been completed, we have unfortunately found some building rubble and materials around our school. School Council have suggested that we organise a skip and have a Working Bee one Saturday to clean up the mess. We will inform you of a date soon. Please see the office if you are able/keen to help.

Clubs: Please be aware that there are a number of lunch-time clubs running through the week. Please talk to your child about these clubs. Clubs include rugby, running, games and puzzles, Maker Space, juggling and percussion music. The posters for the clubs are around the school including the office and the staffroom windows. This provides an extra-curricular opportunity for all children to be involved in according to their interests.

Scholastic Book Club:

Please check your child's bag for the Scholastic Book Club magazines. These are released once a term. Orders must be completed on-line and the books will be delivered to school. The next Scholastic book Club will be in term 3.

CSEF:

If you hold a current health-care card on the first day of term 2, you may be eligible for CSEF funding. Please contact the office if you have any queries. This money can be used towards excursions, incursions, swimming and camps. Applications close on Friday 21st June.

Family Holidays:

Last year we had a large number of absences due to family holidays! This greatly impacts on student learning. Whilst we understand that sometimes families need to go overseas due to family circumstances we ask you to take holidays out of school times. Students get eleven weeks of holidays a year and having additional time can impact on their social and academic learning needs. All family holidays need Principal approval. Please contact the Principal to arrange a meeting before you go.

We are an E-Smart School:

HOW CAN I PROTECT MY CHILD'S PRIVACY WHEN THEY ARE ONLINE?

Get involved and explore the online world alongside them.

- Sit down together and check privacy settings on social media accounts, apps and devices — ensure they have selected the highest privacy setting.
- Play alongside them in online games to see what kinds of information they may be sharing. Get to know the apps and devices your child is using.

Respect their privacy yourself.

- Think before sharing or tagging photos of them.

Remind them about their digital reputation

- Like everyone who uses the internet, over time your child is building a digital or online reputation based on all the things they say and do online. Help them understand that this digital footprint can last forever.
- Remind them to take care of their digital reputation as well as the reputations of others. They should not post images of others without their permission and should take care when making comments about others.

Encourage them to think before they post or share

- Even if their profile is set to private, they cannot control what their friends will do with the information that they post online or share via text or SMS. Ask how they would feel if their photo or information was shared with strangers.
- Talk to your child about the consequences of posting offensive or inappropriate material of themselves or others online. Explain that it may affect their social life, academic results or job prospects. There may also be legal effects. Ask them, how they would feel if they could not get a job they really wanted because of something they posted online?

Visit <https://esafety.gov.au/parents/skills-advice/privacy-child> for more information.

Family Life: PLEASE NOTE TUESDAY EVENING IS CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST

The Grade 5/6 Health Curriculum has a focus on growing up, with students exploring both the physical and emotional changes that occur during this stage. We have engaged the services of Family Planning Victoria to educate and support our Grade 5/6 students as they are approaching this transitional period. Family Planning Victoria has been working with schools for over 40 years. The information they will be delivering to our students is aligned with the Victorian Curriculum and is age appropriate. The sessions will be delivered by an experienced and trained educator. We are looking forward to working with our students throughout the series of lessons.

Enjoy your week!

Sue Crispe – Principal and Emma Fuller – Assistant Principal