## From the Acting Principal's Desk...

## Welcome to Week 3 Term 3

## Thanks for your Generous Support

There has been a lot of action in the school grounds during the last week.
Last week Hanson Quarries donated 3 truckloads of rock for the Sutherland Street staff car park and Graham Palmateer, one of our parents, kindly donated his time and use of his machinery to spread the rock and do a number of other jobs for Tina and Tracey to tidy up the area. Thank you to Hanson and Graham, we really appreciate your generosity and support.


## National Tree Planting Day

It was a hive of activity at the end of the oval yesterday as our grade 2 students and teachers worked with Tina, Tracy and Dwaine from Seymour Toyota to plant trees as part of National Tree Planting Day. We look forward to these growing strong and beautifying our school. You will find photos of this event later in the newsletter.

## Term 2 Fundraising Total

I am very pleased to announce that in Term 2 we raised \$5,750 through Hot Dog Days, the Mother's Day Stall, Movie Night and the 5 cent fundraiser. This money will be used to purchase computer equipment for use in classrooms. Thank you to all our families who supported these activities so that we can provide additional resources for our children. Our major fundraiser for Term 3 will be the Annual Walkathon which will be happening on Thursday,10th September.

## Excursion Payments Due

Please note any payment received after the due date will not be accepted.

## Calendar

 JULY 2015Friday 31st July Out Of Uniform Day
Proceeds going towards our Bee Hive
Parent Opinion Surveys due
Swimming balance due

## AUGUST 2015

## Monday 3rd August

School Assembly, 9.00am
Grade 2 Chicken Hatching Program Begins
Tuesday 4th August
School Council, 7.00pm
Thursday 6th August
5/6 Camp Balance/final instalment due
Tuesday 11th August
Swimming program commences
Monday 17th August
School Assembly, 9.00am
Friday 21st August
Hot Dog Day
Monday 24th August
Grade 5/6 Camp
Wednesday 26th August
Term 3 Conveyance Allowance Claims Close
Monday 31st August
Curriculum Day
PUPIL FREE DAY

## Parent Survey on Reports and 3 Way Conferences

Please fill out our online survey on the Survey Monkey website to help us improve the school report writing process and our 3 Way Conference system. Please use the link below to complete it online or ask for a hard copy from the main office and return this to the box at the office. The survey will be open until Friday,7th August.

Link to Survey:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QTFQ9BV

## Parent Opinion Survey

If you received a survey, please return it to the office by Friday, 31st July 2015, as we are expected to encourage a $100 \%$ return rate. Do not hesitate to contact the Acting Principal, Jennene Cooney if you have any questions or queries about the survey.

Have a great week.

Mrs. Jennene Cooney
Acting Principal

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## Notices Handed Out This Week

- Visiting Author Permission Form
- Hot Dog Day Order Form
- Father's Day Breakfast


## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthday in the coming weeks. We hope you have a lovely day.

## July

29 Nathan Campbell 1J
30 Harry 2V
31 Emily 2V

## August

1 Shanique FA
Rhys 34P
Mark 34N
3 Bailey 56B
4 Sam 1A
Brock 56L

## SICK BAY <br> LINEN ROSTER

July
31 Rose Glavas
August
7 Volunteer required
14 Suzanne Hurley
21 Helen Gormlie
28 Rosalie Anglog
Thank You


Author/Illustrator Heath McKenzie is visiting Kilmore Primary! Wednesday 26th August Cost $\$ 4.00$

All students will participate in a session where Heath will demonstrate how he writes and illustrates his books.

Please return permission slips with payment no later than Thursday, 13th August.


## Out of Uniform Day

 Friday $31^{\text {st }}$ July
donation - money raised will be used to purchase prizes for the Beehive.

Keep collecting the Earn and Learn stickers each time you shop at Woolworths. Drop the sheets in the Kilmore Primary collection box at Woolworths or in the box in the school foyer. Thank you for your support .

## A) Parent Pipeline $\& 2$

## CAFÉ Strategy: Trade a Word/ Guess a Word That Makes Sense

After learning to skip a word and come back, readers gain confidence that if they don't know every word in a text, they have strategies to draw on. It is essential, however, that readers understand what they are reading. If they skip the word, come back, and are still unsure, it is a good idea to trade a word/ guess a word that makes sense. When readers encounter words they don't know, but they understand the gist of the text, they insert a word that makes sense in place of the unknown word.

The strategy, trade a word/ guess a word that makes sense, provides readers with the option to continue reading by using a similar word for an unknown word. Reading continues and meaning stays intact.

## How can you help your child with this strategy at home?

1. When reading a story with your child, cover a word or two in the text, leaving only the first letter showing. Model how you use context clues and look at the first letter of the word to "guess" a word that would make sense in the story. Continue reading the selection to see if your "guess" holds the meaning of the passage.
2. After modeling for your child, continue reading to the next covered word and let your child make a "guess". Remind your child to use context clues. Ask your child, "Look at the first letter or letters: what word would make sense in this sentence that begins with that letter's sounds?"
3. Play a game with your child. Say a sentence and leave a word out. Let your child guess a word that would fit in the sentence. Then, give your child the first letter of the word that you are thinking of to finish your sentence. Have your child make another guess. Check to see if your child's guess makes sense. Then, it is your child's turn to give you a sentence and leave a word out. This short practice can be done in a short drive to or from school. ()

## Thank you for your continued support at home!



## The grade 3/4 students are PROUD of their work..!

We show pride in our book work by ruling up our pages, always dating our work and writing in our neatest possible handwriting.
"When writing I am trying my best. If I make a mistake I put a red line under it to keep it neat. I spent a lot of time making sure my picture was neat." Charlotte

I am proud of my work because it shows people my learning and my teacher can see if I need help to improve. I had to think of materials and I used my prior knowledge to help me out." Milla
"It feels good to be proud of my work. I am proud of it because it is neat and I think it is great!" Jake
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## National Tree Planting Day at Kilmore Primary School

A big thank you to our Grade 2 Unit, Tracey Crane and our school gardener Tina for participating in our tree planting day. Also thanks to Seymour Toyota for supporting the tree planting yesterday by supplying T Shirts, gardening gloves and tree guards.

Remember: From Little Things Big Things Grow!


## Hot Dog Day

We require helpers for Hot Dog Day on Thursday 13th August. If you are able to assist, please leave your name at the office.
Thank you

## School Entrant Health Questionnaires

Please return these questionnaires for the School Nursing Program. Parents are reminded to ensure they have signed the document prior to returning.

Thank you

## Lunchtime Colouring Club

As part of a lunchtime activity, here are some Foundation and Grade 1 students enjoying the Colouring Club.

## PIANO KEYBOARD LESSONS

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or call Penny on 0467060552
 to be away ...

## nor to be late to school...

## It takes strong parenting ...

As a parent myself I know how persuasive children of all ages can be when it comes to taking a day off school. It takes a strong will to resist the persistent pressure that kids can bring to bear, particularly if they play the guilt card with comments such as "lt's not fair that I have to go school today because Aunty is coming to visit!" Nice try. But the answer should be "Nol".

As parents we need to make a commitment that our kids make the most of their precious time at school. That means that we send them to school every day, on time and ready to make the most of the school day.

Of course, there will be times, such as illness or genuinely extenuating family circumstances, when kids should be away. But these need to be a rarity rather than the norm.

It's reassuring to know that you increase their chances of future success just by making sure they turn up to school every day. And of course regular school attendance also helps kids prepare for the workforce, where it will be expected that they turn up each day work-ready. The real world is unforgiving of those who stay away with NO EXCUSE.

## AS A PARENT:

(v) Commit to sending kids to school every day.
( $)$ Make sure kids arrive at school and class on time.
(V) Inform the school when they are away, sending medical certificates and other evidence of genuine absence.
(V) Consider catching-up on missed work.
(V) Make kids who are away stay in their bedroom - that is where ill kids should be.

