

Monday, 27 November 2017

From the Principal

Welcome to Week 8, only two more to go after this one.

Today our Star Students received their recognition badges in our special assembly. This process is an important part of our PBL (Positive Behaviour Learning) program and students are recognised for always supporting our school's core expectations of Respect, Responsibility and Excellence in all that they do. Being a Star Student means they become eligible for such things as Student Leader opportunities and Leadership roles and responsibilities throughout the school year. Congratulations to our students who received their badges today.

I was extremely proud of those students who undertook the challenge of putting themselves forward for Student Leaders for 2018. Speaking in front of a crowd is always confronting and unsettling and these students undertook this with grace, confidence and good humour. Voting for next year's leaders took place last Friday and a committee of parents and teachers counted the votes today. The successful leaders and their families will be informed of the outcome just prior to our Presentation Day assembly and I know these students will continue to represent our school with pride throughout the following year. A big thank you to Miss McKinnon for her support of the process, for providing our Year 5 students with leadership skills and understanding, and supporting the nominees throughout the process.

Our school has been selected to be a program school for the Shake A Leg initiative for next year. This is a Hunter Health run program for Years 5 and 6 students which is delivered by the Hunter New England Local Health District's Aboriginal Health Unit. The Shake-a-Leg (SAL) program provides all Year 5 and 6 students (both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal) with age-appropriate health promotion information about healthy eating, physical activity, oral health, drugs and alcohol, bullying, and self-identity. The program is delivered by qualified Aboriginal Health Workers and is fun and interactive.

Students participate in 45 minute sessions, one session per week for a period of six weeks, and this will commence in Term 1 of next year. Students who are currently in Years 4 and 5 received permission notes for this program last week and we'd like them returned by the end of this week if possible please.

This Wednesday is the last session for our 'Almost Kinders'. I've watched these kids go off to their next year's classes with enthusiasm and excitement and I know we'll have a great bunch of kids in our new Kinder classes next year.

Let's have a great week everybody.

Until next week,
Donna Stackman
Principal

**SAVE THE DATE & TIME
FOR PRESENTATION DAYS**

K-2 PRESENTATION DAY 9:30am
Thursday December 7th

3-6 PRESENTATION DAY 9:30am
Friday December 8th





Reminder: parents are not allowed under any circumstances to approach students at school...all matters must be referred to a teacher to investigate and follow up. Parents need to follow this procedure or s they may be subject to an inclosed lands act enforcement.



Stage 2/3 School Play 2017

This semester, selected students in Stage 2 and 3 have been working hard to rehearse and perform a school play. This year's play is called "Cheer Up, Santa!" We will be performing the play this Wednesday, 29th November 2017. There will be a matinee performance for the Infants and Primary students during the day and a community performance at 6.00pm that night in the school hall. All welcome! The more the merrier!

Scholastic Book Club

Book Club orders are due back by Wednesday 29th November - in person or online, so as the books can be delivered before the end of term.

<http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/>



PBL Affirmation for the Week

"I can get along with others"

School Calendar Term 4

Week 8

Monday 27 th November	PBL Badge Ceremony School assembly @ 9.30am and 10.30am
Tuesday 28 th November	Combined Scripture Assembly
Wednesday 29 th November	Kinder Orientation Book Club Orders due School Play Performances
Thursday 30 th November	Playgroup 9.00am-11.00am
Friday 1 st December	Wet 'n' Wild – Stage 3 Excursion Shake a Leg Permission notes due

Week 9

Tuesday 5 th December	MHS Orientation
Wednesday 6 th December	Year 6 Farewell
Thursday 7 th December	Infants Presentation Day Commencing at 9.30am
Friday 8 th December	Primary Presentation Day Commencing at 9.30am

Week 10

Wednesday 13 th December	Class Party Day
Friday 15 th December	Last day for students

Canteen Roster

Week 8		
Tuesday	28 th November	Karleigh, Pieta
Wednesday	29 th November	Liane, Kaye, Victoria, Nat
Thursday	30 th November	Liane, Kaye, Molly, Scott
Friday	1 st December	Liane, Molly, Nicole, Luke
Week 9		
Monday	4 th December	Liane, Belinda, Molly