Friday, 21st August, 2015.
Term 3 – Newsletter 26

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PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS – (Paul Jorgensen)

School Council met this week and among the discussions and decisions was the go ahead to get the ball rolling on construction of the new playground was given and a basic plan has been approved. This now however still means a wait of a minimum of six weeks and longer before the actual playground is ready for use. In the coming weeks I will keep the school community up to date as I get more information.

If parents happen to miss a permission note or it gets lost between school and home there is a generic permission note on the school website that could be used providing you know the details of the activity or event to fill in the details. This can be printed; details filled out and returned to school.

A few parents have indicated that they have missed getting their newsletters. If this happens can you please contact the office to let us know. This is the quickest and easiest way for us to deal with things. If we don’t know we can’t act. Please contact the school should you have any questions or to provide us with information. The newsletter is also placed on our website. Unfortunately this part of the website recently had issues and I had to create a new newsletter section. This means that many of the previous newsletters are no longer on there but the past 8 or so issues are again.

If you change an Email addresses could you also please advise the school so that we can make adjustments to our information, this is the same for any changes to home addresses and telephone numbers.

We have had a case of Thread Worm and Chicken Pox in the last week. Please be aware if your child is feeling unwell.
**Jungle Book Performance**

**Tickets for the school production are now on sale at the office. Tickets are $10 each.** Pre-schoolers may enter free of charge if they are seated on their parents knee.

Alternatively, parents with pre-schoolers are welcome to attend the Dress Rehearsals at 12.30pm. Pensioners are also invited to attend the Dress Rehearsal, entry is a gold coin donation.

Thank you to those parents who have organised suitable clothing for their child’s costume. If you are having any difficulty with organising your child’s costume, please speak to the classroom teacher for that grade as soon as possible.

Students are spending lots of time rehearsing and there is a lot of excitement for the show. Thank you to all parents for your offers to help with the production and special thanks to those who have been making class sets of costume pieces they are looking fabulous.

The school has booked buses to take the children to Newborough for Rehearsals and return to school. We aim to leave at around 9.30am and return to school by 2.30pm on the day of performance. The cost of the buses will hopefully be covered through ticket sales.

We understand that approximately 17 senior students will be involved on Division Athletics on the same day and we are currently working on arrangements to allow this to happen as smoothly as possible.

We hope you all enjoy the children’s performance.

**Prep Preview**

We will be looking at Xx and revise all of the other letters of the alphabet.

We will be continuing to look at writing a retell.

Students will be taking home a weekly spelling sheet.

We will be finishing off our work on mass and 3D shapes and revising addition and subtraction.

Students are encouraged to continue challenging themselves on their magic words and skip counting sheets.

**Grade 1 / 2 A Master Chef Master Class: DAMPER**

Chefs ready to go.
Clear the decks. Time to plate up and do the taste test! Now will it be butter and golden syrup or butter and strawberry jam?

**What have we been doing in Grade 34B?**

Class 34B have had a focus for the week on managing distractions. Many students have shown responsibility in moving away if something is distracting them so that they can focus on the task at hand. On Wednesday we went on the VTEAM’s excursion where the class was taught how to use Microsoft Publisher. It was a great afternoon with many new skills being learnt.

**Reading:** During reading sessions this week we have looked at past tense, present tense and future tense. We discussed how to know if a text is in the past or present and the changes that happen to the verb.

**Maths:** The great cordial taste test was undertaken on Monday afternoon. The students were given a ratio of cordial to water (eg – 1:3 – 1 part cordial to 3 parts water). Once they had figured out how many mls of the 600ml bottle would be water and cordial based on their ratio, and the percentage of the whole drink that would be cordial and water the students were able to mix their drink for me to taste. The winning ratio of cordial to water is 1:4.
Writing: We have been writing movie reviews on James and the Giant Peach and a comparison between the book and the movie. Most are in the edit and revise stage and will soon be published in a Microsoft Word document.

Homework: Our weekly spelling words are tested every Monday morning after assembly. Please assist your child in learning their words and listen to them read frequently.

Preview of Week 7:

Reading: We will be starting “Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe” as our new class novel.
Spelling: Dictionary skills.
Writing: Publishing.
Maths: We will be revising all four operations. Monday – addition, Tuesday – subtraction, Wednesday – multiplication, Thursday – division.

Grade 5/6L

Writing
This week we completed our unit on Explanation Texts. Next week we will be delving into different types of poetry and the different types of structures and language techniques that Poets use.

Reading
In reading we are currently reading the book “Uglies” by Scott Westerfield. This week the students will be creating an open minded portrait of the main character “Tally”. We are also going to be looking beyond the texts we read and using inferences to make predictions about what may happen.

Maths
This week we have been working on rations, with a particular focus on making the ‘perfect cordial’. Next week we will be looking into division strategies and doing some revision for the topics we have covered so far this term.

Homework
Due Friday. Students have a Maths Mate to complete, as well as spelling words to practice by writing them in sentences. They are also required to complete a minimum of 100 minutes of reading for the week :)

Book Week Activity Day - Friday 28th August

A group of sixteen enthusiastic students have organised an Activity Day for Friday 28th August to celebrate Book Week and to support the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Australia.

On Friday 28th all students may come dressed as their favourite book character, or wear the colour RED denoting Read Every Day, and bring a gold coin to donate to the MS Society.

All students will participate in fun activities based around nominated and favourite picture books specially chosen, planned and organised by our Book Week presenters.
The day will commence with Grade parades in the School Hall to share our book characters and RED gear followed by normal classes. At 11.30 am the whole school will commence Activity rotations in mixed aged groups which will continue until 1.25pm. Normal classes will resume after lunch.

Kaye Stockdale

Playgroup’s Book Week Fun!

Hazelwood North Playgroup enjoyed the CBCA shortlisted book “Snail and Turtle are friends” during a visit to our Library on Monday morning. Our little visitors then made and decorated a paper-plate Turtle, and his friend Snail, to take home. The library was full of little feet exploring, sharing and enjoying our Library.

The Hazelwood North Playgroup meets on Monday mornings during School Terms at the Hazelwood North Hall (at the Tennis Courts) Church Road, Hazelwood North. The Group meets from 9.30am – 11.00am. You can contact Tina on 0402909009 for further information.

House Domino Competition

Many students have been having a go at challenging themselves at recess and lunchtime in the library playing dominoes. Currently hong se (red house) is in the lead with huang se (yellow house) coming a close second. The competition will continue next week.
**Lunch Orders**

Friday 21st August – **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED if anyone is available. Thanks**

Wow did the children want Fish n Chips, 100 plus orders were received.

Thanks to those mums that helped add up all orders Wednesday morning.

Thanks to Churchill Fish and Chips for assisting us with this Lunch day.

**Subway back next week.**

**Fundraisers coming up**

Out of Dough Pies at the end of term.

Chalk / Parent Direct Catalogue

Candy Bar at Jungle Book production - Tuesday 8th September.

    Soft Drink, fruit juice, water, chocolate bars, popcorn, lollies and coffee on the night.

Father’s Day - keep an eye out for any things you think he might like.

**Term 3**

MARK the date - 28th November - SHOPPING TRIP to DFO Essendon / Tullamarine for info out soon.

**FATHERS DAY STALL**

*The Father’s Day stall will happen on the 4th September. We are looking for donations of any items that you think Dad or that special male in your family might like. If possible in lots of 6 (as we have 6 classes and it is much easier to sort) would be great.*

Possible items might be touch, carpenters pencil, jars lollies, ropes, books or 4wd magazine just to name a few. This is a hard one for a lot of people, if you don’t have time to shop, leave your monitory donation with Francesca and we will shop for you.
It would be appreciated if all donation goods could be at school by Monday 31st August.

**Cadbury Chocolates**

Needing chocolates to take away the winter blues please see Francesca or one of our friendly committee members below for a box. We have Variety, Frogs or Mixed boxes available.

**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

Drop in your stickers to boxes in stores or at school, the more we collect the more resources for our school.

Thanks to Woolworths for supporting our school.

**Next meeting Wednesday 9th September, everyone welcome.**