NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Robyn Brooks

**Pyjama Day**

On Friday 24th June (the last day of Term 2) we will be holding a Pyjama Day. We are encouraging all students to come in ‘warm’ pyjamas for the day. The day will start with normal learning in the morning and then after snack students will be involved in a class slumber party. During that time students will be participating in a some fun activities in class. Students are welcome to bring a blanket, pillow etc. and join in the fun. The Junior School Council will be selling popcorn for $3 a bag on the day. You don’t need to pre-order. What a great way to finish the term as a class community!

**Learning Conferences**

In Week 2 next term we will be holding Learning Conferences (Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th July). These provide parents, students and teachers with the chance to come together and share and celebrate the learning that has been happening at school. As parents you may have questions about what you have read in your child’s report which you can ask at this time. Students will be eager to ‘show off’ work that they have completed this year. This is a wonderful opportunity for everyone to get together and celebrate the first six months of 2016!

A crèche will operate in the Library from 3:30pm. We would appreciate if siblings were not present at the conferences. This allows you to focus on your child and their conference.

**T-Towel Fundraiser**

The T-Towel fundraiser will now be finishing on the 17th June. For each t-towel sold, Kylie Livingston (parent and Enjo consultant), will donate $2.50 to the development of the front garden area. Most of the plants, materials and labour have so far been donated but money will be needed to pay for some parts of the garden, such as the Fairy and Dinosaur garden. T-Towels will be delivered next term. We thank you for your support.

**Prep 2017 Enrolments**

If you have a child who will be starting Prep in 2017 we are now accepting enrolments. Please contact the office to arrange a tour of the school. Enrolment packs are available at the office.

**Camps Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) 2016**

The Victorian Government will be providing a CSEF payment to all eligible families to assist with the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Please contact the office to get an application form. The School will need to sight and copy the concession card to ensure that the parent’s name and Centrelink Reference Number (CRN) matches the Centrelink database. Applications close at the end of this term.

**School Council Meeting**

The next School Council meeting will be held next Wednesday 22nd June at 6:15pm in the Staffroom.

**End of Term Arrangements**

Next Friday (24th June) is the last day for Term 2. Students will be dismissed at 2:15pm. The buses will run their normal routes but will leave at 2:10pm.

**Reports**

All students will receive their written report next Thursday 23rd June. Teachers have been
diligently writing reports about all the students. The reports provide parents with a clear understanding of where each child is academically placed against AusVels. Teachers have been rigorously testing and assessing the students to provide the best possible indication of where they are at.

**Eisteddfod**
We have had many students compete in a variety of events at the Mildura Eisteddfod. We would like to congratulate all those who have participated and those who have received awards in their sections. It is great to see so many students enthusiastic about performing.

**Somers Camp**
All students in Grades 5 and 6 were invited to put in an expression of interest to attend Somers Camp in September. These names were then placed in a hat. The following students names were pulled out and they are the lucky ones who will be attending; Lily Bruhn, Wil Castleman, Holly Jones, Mercedes Jones, Clare Lyttleton, Brayden McGregor, Darcie Peters and Maddy Rasmussen.

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**PE**

*Mrs Branson*

In Physical Education classes have begun to practise the throwing and jumping events in preparation for the upcoming Irymple South Athletics carnival. The focus over the past two weeks for all classes has been on improving students’ techniques.

Students from Prep have been introduced to tennis ball throw, foxtail throw and long jump take off and landing techniques.

The Year One students have worked on the throwing event of shot put, focussing on pushing rather than throwing the shot put.

Year Two students have been improving their overhand throwing for distance and foxtail throw.

The Year Three to Six students have been actively taking the role of peer coach in each session, working with another student from their class, giving them immediate feedback as they are practising the skills. Also helping their partner to evaluate their performance and suggesting what they still need to work on.

This week the Year Three classes have been introduced to discus and really enjoyed being able to work on their technique with the practise discuses.

While the Year Four students have worked on improving their shot put technique in order to maximise the distance of their put.

The Year Five and Six students have worked on improving their technique in discus and on consolidating the triple jump pattern.

The Year Four, Five and Six students have been using their iPads to record their execution of the skills and along with their peer coaches carefully examined and reflected on their technique to improve their performance.

I would encourage all students to get as much practise as they can before the ISPS Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 2\textsuperscript{nd} August.
Learning Conferences

Dear Parents,

As part of our Assessment and Reporting process Learning Conferences will be held on between 3:30pm – 6:00pm on Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th July.

The aim of these conferences is for you and your child to meet with your child’s teacher to celebrate and share their learning and to share future learning goals.

A créche will operate in the Library from 3:30pm. We would appreciate if younger siblings were not present at the conferences. This allows you to focus on your school aged child and their conference.

If you are unable to make an appointment at these times, please contact your child’s teacher. We would love all children to be able to share their learning.

We use an online booking system for our conferences. This online system will allow you to book times that suit YOUR FAMILY.

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code and follow the instructions below.

BOOKINGS CLOSE Friday 15th July at 4pm

If you have any concerns or questions please contact us on 50245345.

Kind Regards,
Robyn Brooks
Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep C
Levi Geister
Peggy Thornton
Prep P
Avy Sullivan
Cassie Van Schaik
1T
Nathaniel Kuchel
1F
Harper Black

2J
Liam Smith
2R
Logan Krul
3C
Jelena Capp
3D
Dane Wilkie
4V
Akira Szeto
4R
Amelia Zappia

5/6H
Dayna Brown
5/6G
Sophie Sleep
5/6S
Tessa Melton

ART
Eva Andronescu
PE
Clare Lyttleton

SCIENCE
Lottie Adams
PRINCIPAL
Charlie Wallace
Eva Andronescu

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JUNE
Amelia Zappia (14th)
Max Bradshaw (16th)
Ned Berry (16th)
Will Shore (17th)

Zoe Williams (18th)
Charlotte Hawson (19th)
Nicky McWilliams (19th)
Declan Belsham (19th)
Clare Lyttleton (19th)
I am very happy to be able to announce that the following three students have had their art work chosen for the 'Our Sunset, My World' Exhibition on July 23rd in Melbourne.

♦ Liam Rielley, 4R
♦ Maddie Petrolo, 5/6G
♦ Morgan Vadlja, 5/6G

This is the first ever public ‘Exhibition of Victorian Schools Art’ for students from primary and secondary schools to be held at FEDERATION SQUARE. The Exhibition will form part of the Cambodia Australia New Zealand Friendship Festival. The Exhibition now has over 100 schools participating. Our student’s artwork is a gift to the children of Cambodia. These three pieces of work will be exhibited in Melbourne and auctioned off in a silent auction to raise funds for children in Cambodia.

The theme of the Exhibition, ‘Our Sunset, My World’, is to inspire our children to appreciate and value the rich diversity of ‘their’ world appreciating how ‘lucky ‘and blessed they are to live in a country like Australia. The Exhibition will have the dual purpose of highlighting our children’s art while raising awareness and funds for disadvantaged children in Cambodia, providing them with much needed opportunities for education and a future. We will be supporting two remarkable organizations: ODA (Opportunities for Development Thru Art) in Siem Reap and FLAME CAMBODIA/formerly known as the Bong Pouan Project in Phnom Penh.

To read more see the ‘Have a Heart for Cambodia’ Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/haveaheartforcambodia.

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone in Grades 3 to 6 who completed artworks to be considered for the exhibition. We will hold our own exhibition of the pieces created during Weeks 1 and 2 next term.
On Wednesday 15th June, the Netball A Team went off to Mansell Reserve to play the second round of inter school netball. To start off the day we played against Mildura West. The game was very challenging and they won by 10 goals. We then played The Lake Primary school and beat them by 8 goals. Our final game was against Sacred Heart, all girls played a fantastic game and we won by 5 goals. Everyone put in all that they had and we couldn’t ask for anymore. We were so proud of ourselves for making it to the Sunraysia round, but unfortunately we are aren’t moving any further. We definitely got better throughout the day. We would like to give a very big thanks to Ms Gladman, who was the best coach ever. Thanks also to Sherrie Geister for supporting us and Cindy Tassone for driving us. Maria Petrolo

Last Friday the Irymple South boys footy team travelled to Nichols Point to play two games of footy. The first game we played was against Irymple and it was 105 to 9 and they won. Then we played Nichols Point and they won 79 to 20. Our goal kickers were Lachlan Adolph, Cooper Waylen, Will Mitchem and Joseph Zaccone. Paddy McWilliams and Wil Castleman

Last week on Friday some of the Year 5/6 girls went and played hockey at Nichols Point Primary. It was really fun and we scored many goals. In the end we lost one game against Irymple and we won one against Nichols Point. The best players were Holly Jones and Lashaye Farley. Nell Banks Purcell

The girls footy team had a great time last week. Unfortunately this didn’t translate to the scoreboard! We may have some future AFL stars amongst our girls.
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