NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Robyn Brooks

Funding Received
We have been successful in receiving $2000 from the Mildura Court Fund. Earlier in the year, we applied as a community group to receive funds to be put towards our outdoor fitness area. We would personally like to thank Selina Carmichael for her support through School Council. The fitness area has been levelled and we are eagerly awaiting our equipment (which is being currently built). We are anticipating this will all be finished and ready to go at the start of November.

The students have had their say for the area by voting in classes and then at Junior School Council level. The area will be known as: THE OUTDOOR FIT PAD – “Fitness fun for everyone”

Somers Camp
On Tuesday nine very excited students from Grades 5 and 6 headed to Somers Camp. They will return next Wednesday 14th September. We look forward to hearing about their adventures when they return. Have a great time; Holly Jones, Mercesdez Jones, Clare Lyttleton, Morgan Vadlja, Lily Bruhn, Darcie Peters, Wil Castleman, Brayden McGregor and Maddy Rasmussen.

2017 Preps
Thankyou to everyone who has enrolled their child for 2017. On Thursday 20th October there will be an Information Evening for parents of students starting Prep in 2017.

Hats
It is wonderful to see so many students wearing their hats. All children are required to wear school bucket hats in the school yard at all times from September 1st through to April 30th. If a student does not have a hat they must sit under the shade outside their class.

End of Term
Next Friday is the end of another busy but fun term. School will finish at 2:30pm. Buses will run at the earlier time of 2:10pm.

Father’s Day
We hope that all the dads, grandpas and father figures had a wonderful day last Sunday. Thanks to Jacey Piscioneri and her team of helpers that ran and organised the Father’s Day Stall.

Curriculum Day
Our last Curriculum day for the year will be on Wednesday 7th December. Students will not be required at attend school on this day.

Grade 4 Camp
Next Wednesday the Grade 4 students are heading to Lake Cullulleraine for three days of adventure. We look forward to hearing about their adventures.

Staffing
Penny Williams is still away on sick leave. We hope to see her back at work next term.

Footy Colours Day
The Grade 6 students are doing a wonderful job running activities for the rest of the students in the school. We will have a full report on the activities and the Staff vs Students footy match in next week’s newsletter.

Everyone looks wonderful in their footy colours!
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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**SEPTEMBER**
- Abby Warn (6th)
- Georgia Symes (6th)
- Stephanie Ryan-Orchard (7th)
- Addison Bell (7th)
- Shane Krul (8th)
- Brittany Laskaj (10th)

### ART with Mrs Lord

**Father’s Day**
The students were busy creating works of art for Dad over the last couple of weeks. Creating art for a real life purpose always inspires the children. They created a variety of collages that were attached to the bag that their Father’s Day gift came home in.

**Mildura Show**
This week all students selected a piece of art to enter into the Mildura Show in October. The Show also has a colouring competition that the students can enter. Students who wish to enter can collect a sheet form the Art Room. Colourings can be entered via school but need to be returned and completed by Friday 16th September.

**Water Week Posters**
We have also been designing and creating posters for National Water Week. Students made a poster about their local area that reflected their use of water. Some great entries were made! Results will be announced next term.

**Mosaic Pavers**
The Grade 5 girls have created some fantastic mosaic pavers for our garden area. They spent many weeks making these during their lunch time. They have now been placed in the garden and will soon be ready to be stepped on!
In Grade 3 we have been learning about figurative language. Mrs D and Mrs Casale decided that poetry would be the perfect way to include similes and metaphors in our writing. We are very proud of our writing. We love poems and are glad that we are writing them. We have learnt that poetry is different to a narrative because poems have verses not paragraphs.

**The Walking Track**
As I walked through the walking track
I heard black and white birds chirping with delight.
I can hear motors running,
as I crunched leaves on the ground.
Oh what a lovely sound!
I could feel the tree trunks,
Rough, smooth and bumpy,
I could smell the eucalyptus leaves on the trees
And the sticky sap that drops to the ground.
As I felt the spikey plants
I could feel the fresh air running across my face.
I could see a table and a sign
that I could look at and sit on all of the time!

Maia

**My Kitten**
Oreo is black
with a little white patch underneath his chin,
and a big one on his tummy.
He has claws and teeth as sharp as nails.
Oreo can jump as high as a kangaroo.
He is as attractive as One Direction.
He is as soft as a blanket.

Katie

**The Walking Track**
I spy the blowing trees,
the rough bark
and the smell of eucalyptus leaves.
Sticks and twigs
lay in the dirt.
They smell most like air.
Sap on the trees,
sticky or rough
they smell of honey
tasting bad.
Rough or smooth,
their colour dark,
still in nature are trees.

Cooper Topp

**My puppy**
It all starts with my Vada,
Her coat of fur
is as black as the night sky,
with no stars and no moon.
Her coat is as smooth
as a smoothie, with no bubbles.
Vada is as fat
as an elephant
and as greedy as a pig.
She also has a belly
as white as snow!
She is as snuggly
as a blanket covered in warm clean wool.
I love Vada,
Vada is as talented
as a magician!
She is also faster
than Cathy Freeman!
I love my Vada and that is that,
Let her get more fat and fat!

Kiara

**My Pet**
My pet Crispy is a turtle.
He loves to gurgle.
He is as funny as a clown.
And as chubby as a fat baby,
He is as exciting as a circus!
And as cute as a poosh,
He is as graceful as a baseball flying through the
air.
He is as fast as a hippo
and as energetic as Usain Bolt,
Crispy is the cutest of all!

Nicky

**The Kraken**
It was bigger than a giant octopus!
It was as dangerous as a jellyfish.
Its eyes glowed in the night like a fox.
It was bigger than a 5 storey house and bigger
than a Magalodon!

Logan
LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Over the last two days, our leaders have been involved in continuing their leadership program. We once again worked with Damian from Leaders of Evolution and both days were action packed. We worked on developing our own skill set, developed an individual project, worked on pitching a plan and listened to Secondary leaders who are currently leading their school. Thanks to the parents who supplied us with lunch on Thursday, it was much appreciated. The students took the time to articulate the following words.

What have I learnt about leadership so far this year:

**Jayshree**
You need to apply the rules that you have set to others, because you need to be a good role model. I have also learnt that leaders aren’t bosses and don’t see team work as an advantage to be in control and to feel important.

**Neil**
I need to be more organised and responsible. I need to go outside my comfort zone more often.

**Lily**
Leading is not the same as bossing. Some key leadership skills are: reliability, collaboration, communication, questioning, planning and trust.

**Angus**
Leading is not bossing. You have to be resilient and organised.

**Paddy**
Leading isn’t being the boss because they are completely different things. You need to be passionate and dedicated at what you do if you want to succeed as a leader.

**Maria**
I have learnt that leadership is about being a role model. Not only to younger students but also to the entire school community. I have also learnt that being a leader is not about being the boss of others, but to share and listen to each and everyone’s ideas.

**Zali**
A leader isn’t a boss or the most popular but the one who contributes to help others. A leader has to be able to communicate with everyone effectively.

**Georgia**
I have learnt that you don’t have to wear a badge to be a leader. I have learnt through the course that leading someone is NOT bossing someone.

**Ella**
I have learnt that being a leader means to lead not boss. I have also learnt that I need to lead by example and become more responsible.

**Bethany**
Something that I have learnt is that leadership isn’t just about caring for others, it’s about helping people carry on in a positive way. There are many leaders that will lead in many ways and I feel that I learnt not to get frustrated with their ways but to learn from them instead.

**Mia**
Communication is really important when doing teamwork. You have to communicate so that everyone in the team knows what to do and how to do it. Without it you would not be able to work in teams consistently. I have also learnt that to help other people you need to be able to put yourself in their shoes. You need to be able to do this so that you can really understand their situation to be able to help others to the best of your ability.

**Nunzio**
I learn that you need to be a good role model to the younger kids and lead by example. I also learnt that to be a good leader you need to be organised because if you aren’t then things won’t go as planned.

**Cy**
Being a leader is not being the boss of the group but it’s to show off your skills to your teammates to help develop their skills. You have to be organised all the time, for example you have to be ready for a presentation and if you’re not you will not get it right.

We are looking forward to continuing our leadership development across Term 4 and the students taking key messages from their experience at Irymple South into their Secondary Colleges.
BUNNINGS VISIT

Environmental Update

On Wednesday and Thursday the students have been involved in activities with staff from Bunnings to beautify our garden areas. Tanya Lamprell (Carly) co-ordinated the activities on behalf of Bunnings. The students participated in a variety of tasks.

Preps: The Preps painted large terracotta pots and planted them up. These will be placed around the school in the garden areas.

Grade 1: Two scarecrows were made by the students in Grade 1. These have been placed in the vegie garden to scare away the birds.

Grade 2: Each child in Grade 2 made a mini garden using recycled milk containers. They planted them with flowering plants and painted the outside of the container.

Grade 3: Pickets were decorated by the students in Grade 3. They painted individual pictures on the pickets. The pickets will be attached the orchard fence.

Grade 4: The Grade 4 students did lots of painting! They painted tyres, which will be used as garden beds, and they painted the totem poles in the front garden.

Bunnings employees Simon Flentjar (Taj & Hanna) and Jason Thompson (Jack & Archie) constructed the dinosaur creek bed, laid the mosaic stepping stones and put up the scarecrows.

Our garden areas are looking fantastically bright and colourful now. We have projects waiting to be completed and look forward to seeing the end result. We require more terracotta pots. If you have any that you no longer require, could you please send them to school.
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