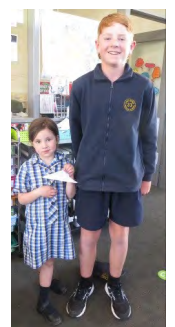




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School Values: *Respect & Care* *Responsibility* *Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding* *Excellence*

Ryan's Ramblings

Dear Parents, grandparents and friends,

With another week complete I am beginning to question where this term, and indeed, this year has gone. One month until Christmas!

I have had the pleasure of chatting with many parents in the yard and on the phone this week. The hot topic of conversation during most instances was that of transition, 2023 classes and teachers. Work has begun to ensure that most balanced and equitable class structures and placements are ready for 2023. This work occurs over a number of weeks and involves a number of staff meetings and discussions. Next week, we will be conducting our first whole school transition session. Please note that the class your child is put in for this session is not the one for 2023. We are merely looking at how different groups of children gel together and will make further adjustments based on our feedback and observations throughout the session.

If you have any specific requests for your child to be placed with a particular friend, please forward them to me by e-mail, by the end of next week (2nd of December). Please note that not all requests can be honoured. We will not be able to take any requests past this date.

We are currently finalising our staffing plan for 2023, which will include teaching placements. These should be complete in the coming week. I am excited to announce to you all that Kylie Watson has been appointed as our substantive Assistant Principal. The position attracted interstate and international interest, which reflects positively on our school's reputation. I am excited to have appointed Kylie and know that she has already proven her exceptional worth and skill to fulfil this pivotal role into the future.

In other positive news, Dee Clark has been appointed as our Art Teacher, ongoing, from 2023. Dee has a proven record of diligence and dedication to our school and I know this appointment will be welcome.

This Saturday, Dana Street Primary School will be an official polling location for the State Election. A Number of parents have volunteered time to support our Democracy Sausage Sizzle, led by our School Council. Thank you to those parents who have signed up to help out.

Next week, our Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students will all be heading to Sovereign Hill for an excursion. It is such a wonderful place to have so close to our school. The weather is looking very favourable for the latter part of next week, so I am hopeful for a smooth day!

Please be reminded that Monday is a Student Free Day, as our staff will be busy completing vital assessment and reporting processes.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Ryan



Monday 28th November
Curriculum Day (No students at school)

Dates To Remember:



Friday 2nd December — Excursion Foundation & 1/2's Sovereign Hill

- Incursion 3/4's Radio Awareness

Tuesday 20th December - Last Day of School for 2022 finish time 1.30pm

Students Of The Week Awards



00B ~ LEON

For your focused efforts to make the most out of every learning opportunity this week. Leon we have been so impressed by your determination to learn more about skip counting. Keep up the wonderful work!



00R ~ EVIE

For showing determination and excellence when completing your learning this week. Evie T, it's been great to see you locking in to learning to complete your version of Wombat Stew, as well as working hard on your skip counting. Keep it up!



1/2B ~ HUNTER

For the amazing effort that you consistently apply to your learning tasks. You listen carefully in our lesson instructions and this allows you to produce work with excellent results. Your growth mindset ensures that you apply constructive feedback and challenge yourself to do your best. Well done!



1/2H ~ JACK

For having an amazing week in both his persuasive writing and skip, counting. Jack, I have been very excited to see what you can complete when you lock into your learning and show true grit! Amazing Work!



1/2K ~ COPELAND

For applying himself to all areas of his learning. Copeland, I am so impressed with your dedication and willingness to 'give it a go'. Keep up the amazing work!



1/2S ~ PADDY

For the maturity and curiosity you displayed during our excursion to Ecolinc this week. I was so impressed by the way you not only shared your knowledge on recycling, but also by the way you took on new learning with enthusiasm. I am so proud of how you showed our school values on our excursion!



3/4M ~ SUMINA

For making a great start to Dana Street. It is great to see you taking pride in your learning and school task and starting to make some great new friends.



3/4P ~ OLLIE

For the incredible effort you have put in to literacy and numeracy sessions this week. You shared your ideas and responding to others respectfully in your Reciprocal Reading meeting this week. Fantastic effort changing the classic 'snakes and ladders' game to create your own version and identifying the possible chance outcomes. Keep up the amazing work, Ollie!



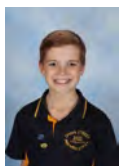
3/4R ~ ISLA

For engaging and locking-in to her learning. It's been great seeing your willingness to participate in our Reciprocal Reading groups, especially with your roles as the clarifier. You've shown self-motivation to stay focused and complete independent reading activities. Keep up the great work. Well done, Isla.



5/6J ~ MOLLY

For her outstanding application towards her Maths this week. Molly, your work ethic is admirable and it has been great to see you extend your thinking during our Algebra unit this week.



5/6P ~ DARCY

For embracing the challenges of solving algebraic equations using the distributive law this week. Darcy, you were able to apply your knowledge of the order of operations and subtractions to solve complex algebraic equations. A tremendous effort, displaying excellent determination! Keep it up legend!



5/6W ~ EVA & EVA

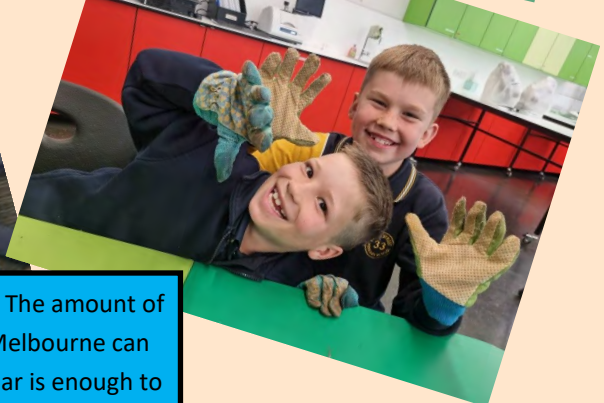
For a dynamic duo who have worked beautifully together this week. Despite being a person down on your debate team, you have managed to prepare and rehearse speeches for the whole team, while incorporating strong and well thought-out arguments. Well done legends, you should be so proud of your efforts.



Well done!

Grade 1/2 Classes visit Ecolinc

This week the grade 1/2 students visited Ecolinc. Together we learned how to reduce, reuse and recycle. We sorted rubbish, looked at how to keep our waterways clean, looked at what foods are good for compost and made some yummy worm juice! It was a fun day and we encourage our Dana Street Families to learn from the 1/2 students and help us to recycle! Together we can learn and help decrease the amount of rubbish. Start making a difference!



Did you know... The amount of rubbish that Melbourne can produce in 1 year is enough to fill 8 MCG's!

Grade 3/4 Classes Ecolinc Incursion

Last week, the grade 3/4 students were treated to an incursion ran by Ecolinc. The students learned about megafauna and the animals that used to roam Australia.

In the first part of the incursion the students learned about palaeontologists and undertook an excavation dig to discover the skeleton of a Diprotodon. They had their own toolbelts and hat to complete the dig.

They took notes, measured the length of the bones and had a closer look with a magnifying glass.

The second part of the incursion was learning all about footprints. The students explored different Mega-fauna. They looked at the footprints they would leave and how they became fossilised for us to discover today. The students used plaster to make their own megafauna footprint.



2023 Netbook Purchase Expression of Interest.



Forms were sent out this week for expressions of interest to purchase a Netbook for Grade 2—5 students. If you are interested and did not receive a form please collect a form from your classroom teacher.

Please return your form to Kylie Watson by Friday 2nd December.



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