From the Principal...

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION
Our second Kindergarten Orientation was held this morning and we now have 12 students enrolled for next year. This is our biggest Kindergarten intake for quite some time.

Students took part in literacy and had a great time. They seem to have settled in well during their two visits, working with their Year 4 and Year 5 buddies and becoming familiar with our beautiful school.

Thanks to the fantastic Miss Mellefont for all of her hard work in organising activities during transition. It has been a valuable experience for the new kindergarten enrolments and their families.

COOL KIDS MUSIC PERFORMANCE
Cool Kids Music operate within the school each Tuesday and offer small group tuition for students in guitar, drums, singing and piano. Students have worked hard this year and are holding a performance at the school on Tuesday 25th November. We will hold an informal assembly so that the students can showcase their talents. Further details will be sent home in the next couple of days. We hope to see you there.

SWIM SCHOOL
Swim school has been operating over the last two weeks. Students have travelled up the road to the new local swim school and have learnt valuable swimming skills. Swim School is traditionally an initiative to help students learn to swim, or to consolidate swimming skills for students who are not confident in the water.

From all reports it has been a successful and enjoyable experience for all involved. I would like to thank Mrs Evans and Miss Mellefont for all of their hard work organising this event.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents who have helped transport students to and from swimming lessons. This has helped keep prices to a minimum for all families. We did price a bus to transport students to and from the Windsor Pools, with a cost of $3000 for the two weeks. This translates into an additional cost of $100 per student to the price of the swimming. So to those parents who volunteered their time, your help has been hugely appreciated. Thank you!

BUNNINGS BBQ
The P&C have requested help with the running of a Bunnings BBQ to be held Sunday 23rd November. Remember that all funds raised by the P&C are used to implement programs to support students and the school. If you are able to share some of your time on Sunday turning or selling sausages please see the P&C. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Matt Carter
Principal

Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards
Congratulations to the following students who have received either a Bronze, Silver or Gold Award this fortnight:

2/3
Jack
Tyler
Melannie
Kiera

4/5/6
Brodie
Bejay

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**Principal’s Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who have received Principal’s Awards this fortnight:

**K/1**
- Bailey
- Matt
- Levi

**2/3**
- Jaxon P
- Jaxson M
- Ayesha
- Isaac D
- Jemma
- Eliza

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**Apps of the Week**

**Word Abacus** - Test your word pool in this addictive word puzzle game! Find English words by linking adjacent letter beads left, right, up, or down. Shift the letter beads like an abacus to increase word possibilities.

There’s no time pressure. Relax and focus. It’s only about your skill.

You think your vocabulary is outstanding? Compare your high score with players all over the English-speaking world.

**Math Balloons** - Learn and improve math skill with the math game. With 5 levels of difficulty from really easy to really hard. Catch a balloon and match it with others to solve a question before they all fly away. There is more than one way to solve a question. So keep your eyes out for the best and quick solution.

**Year 6 Minifair**

**Boxes wanted**
For mini fair we need boxes for our stall. So if you could bring some it would be very appreciated.

Thank You.

Angus

**K/1**
Over the last few weeks K/1 have been very busy. We have been working hard with our reading and writing in our morning sessions. Our middle sessions have been super hard work but fun with swim school and our activity booklets. After lunch we have been reading The 52 Storey Tree House and practising our maths skills.

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**EAT IT TO BEAT IT – NUTRITION SNIPPET**

**The simplest way**
...to food shop on a budget

Here are our five top tips to save money while shopping for your fruit and veg.

1. Create a weekly menu plan
2. Write a shopping list based on menu plan
3. Compare prices using ‘unit pricing’ (per kilo/100grams) if available
4. Buy fruit and vegetables that are in season, or pick the canned/frozen option if cheaper (and just swap them)
5. Limit your purchases of processed pre-prepared snacks/meals

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

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Working Bee:
I would like to thank Mark Mitchell, Gerry Delaney, Nathan Telfer, Peter May and Dave Milne for bringing their machines to move mountains! Also thanks to Nicole May for mulching, Ben May, Isaac and McKenzie Delaney, Amelia and Naomi Smith, and Joel Telfer for stacking pavers. It was a hot day but the school looks great. Thank you also Natalie C for providing morning tea.
BINGO NIGHT 29th Nov:
Hopefully you have seen the form that went home this week to book your place at our upcoming night of fun. The more the merrier so please invite friends, family and neighbours. Delaney Civil have kindly donated kids prizes but we need some for the adults, so if you would like to drop something into the office that would be great or contact Kim Smith for more information.
Thanks to Rebecca for organising the catering.

School Banking: Thank you to Sarah Thompson for getting this up and running for us. Don’t forget to send in the bank books EVERY THURSDAY.

Uniforms:
All the stock has now arrived, so if you would like to order anything please complete an order form and drop it into the office. Please keep in mind that the uniform orders will not be processed on the spot. Also please send in old uniforms ASAP so Kris can organise these to be sent to the disadvantaged.

Publicity Officer:
We are still looking for a new Publicity Officer for the school. The job is not that hard and if you miss a deadline that is OK. We are all working parents and know how things get. It is just a matter of summarizing what has been happening at the school from newsletters etc. and emailing the local papers by the due deadline. If any of you (this includes Dads) would be able to help out please contact Kris to find out more.

Grants Co-ordinator: We would like to ask for someone to search and apply for grants that our school is eligible for. We do have some information but currently we are missing out on a lot of opportunities for equipment and support because we don’t have someone to follow these up. Contact Kim S if you are interested.

Ice-Cream Sales:
The Year 6 students are selling ice creams on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 50c each. Please have the exact money as they don’t always have change. The Home Ice Cream truck will be in the car park tomorrow, Friday at 2.30 pm.

Hot lunch: Thanks to Rebecca and her helpers for another great hot lunch – loved the chicken burgers.

Fundraising - Bunnings BBQ 23th November. 7am – 4pm
I have had next to no volunteers – PLEASE consider helping out.
Choose a 2 hour time slot between 7am and 4pm.
I would like to thank Shontelle, Linda, Kris and Charlotte for their donations for the sausages and Nicole for soft drinks.
If you would like to donate an item please refer to the list below of items Bunnings has indicated we must have on the day. Please advise Kim Smith via 0419 435 022 or ksm13@bigpond.net.au of what you are able provide. These items can be left in the old admin kitchen on Friday 21st November. 45kg thick sausages, 50 loaves of bread, 20kg onions, 6 cartons of coke, 2 cartons diet or zero, 2 cartons Lift or Solo, 2 cartons lemonade, 4 cartons of bottles water.