



# Newsletter

9th May, 2018

Leadership Team: Principal - Graham Elliott Deputy Principal —Shane Cowey



Dates to  
Remember

## TERM 2

**Wednesday 9th May**  
Mothers Day Stall  
Parent Session -  
Ann Baker

**Thursday 10th May**  
Mothers Day Stall

**Friday 11th May**  
Assembly R02  
SAPSASA Cross Country  
Showdown Color's

**Wednesday 16th May**  
Governing Council

**Tuesday 22nd May**  
Year 6/7 Aquatics

**Friday 25th May**  
Assembly R03  
SAPSASA Girls Soccer

**Friday 8th June**  
Pupil Free Day

**Monday 11th June**  
Queens Birthday P/H

**Friday  
22nd  
June**  
Assem-



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back. As usual we have had a very settled start back to term two and I have had numerous enrolment enquiries already. As a school we are in that tricky space of being pretty full in several year levels and then having some gaps in others. We started a new class in 2018 and this is the second new class in the last five years. I have enrolled 5 new students this term already and my prediction is that by the end of the year we will be somewhere around the 270 mark. I have contacted the department to do some preliminary planning around enrolment capacity to ensure that we do not get overloaded. I will keep you posted.

Next week, our year 3,5 and 7 students will be sitting the NAPLAN test. This is on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We are all set up and ready to go however please ensure that your child is at school and on time for the NAPLAN test. If they are absent on the day then they automatically fail that portion of the test and this will be reflected in their NAPLAN report later in the year. As a school all we ask is that students do their best and give it a 'red hot go' with a positive attitude. NAPLAN is only one piece of data that we use to track student growth; we have many others.

Tonight we have Ann Baker offering a mathematics parent information session in the library from 3.30-4.30 pm. I hope that you are able to attend; as the most successful students in school are those ones that are supported strongly by parents who place a high level of importance on their child's learning, behaviour and attitude. Later this term we will be offering a Jolly Phonics parent information evening for those parents in the Junior Primary section of the school. I would like to thank the parent from Banksia 4 who made this suggestion to me in the yard. If we find the Jolly Phonics training valuable then we will be offering it annually in term one so that parents can help their children at home with their sounds and reading.

On another note in weeks 4 and 5 of this term I will be taking two weeks leave. My Deputy Principal Shane Cowey will take on the role as Principal and Jordan Dickie who is the school STEM coordinator will be acting in the Deputy Principal role. Taylor Lees who currently shares a class with Ms Dickie one day a week will be taking on the full time class role in Banksia 3. I am very confident that the school will run as smoothly as it usually does with the amazing staff that we have at our school. I feel very privileged to work with them on a day to day basis.

On a final note I would like to thank the parent fundraising team for the amazing Mother's Day stall that they have set up for the students this week. Some days these parents are here from 8.30 a.m. in the morning when they drop their children off until the end of the day at 2:55 when their children finish school. They are an incredible group and we are so lucky to have this generosity of spirit within our community. Thank-you so much for all that you do!

Take Care, Graham.



# Introducing our SALSPAC Team for 2018 Leaders



In Term 1, students undertook an inspiration leadership day, as well as running a whole-school activity for the Anti-Bullying and Violence Day (the creative results of which can be seen in our front office).

This term, SALSPAC will continue to run whole-school activities on important days, as well as beginning fortnightly class meetings at school, led by Mr. Cowey.



## Literacy and Values Award Winners

Students are recognised each fortnight for their excellence in a number of learning areas. Teachers will nominate students who have displayed excellent work in Literacy, and in their modelling of our school values of: **Respect, Honesty, Belonging and Fairness.**

### ***Congratulations to our recipients for this fortnight:***

**Literacy**— Gladys Bannah, Peter Cinzah, Cameron DeMarchi, Logan Riches, Tiana Piller, Isabelle Gabrielli, Shaelyn Large, Kadence Bell-Collis, Bidya Chapagai, Jackie Niyonkuru, William Clarke, Tanesia Sinclair, Riday Bhattarai, Savannah Gower-Ayres, Kaea Mataira, Lacey Hurkmans, Inshaaf Bhattarai, Blake Stevenson, Tahlia Pring, Savannah Amesbury and Olivia Miller

**Values** — Hayden DeMarchi, Violet Newell, Kaylah Jones, Mackenzie Mitchell, Ollie Trevena-Thompson, Kaiden Eggleton, Banjo Van Balen, Josiah Hutchinson, Electra Tamang, Daniel Barnes, Roy Brown, Nikita Downes, Reyanka Gurung, Lucas McIver, Tyler Haycock, Connor Campbell, Claire Tuyikorere, Erica Sheriff, Mike Herrod, Hayden Thomas and Ucheet Bhattarai

**Sports**— Kristian Rante, Chloe Brown, Ethan Hedges, Halayna Miller, Gladys Bannah, Chloe Freer, Tiana Piller, Dakota Rost and Savannah Amesbury

**Multilit** — Faith Hannon, Delilah Dunstall, Cohen Rost and Shaela Cava-Smith

## **STEM LEADERS 2018**

I would like to introduce our STEM Leaders for 2018. These students are in years 4-7 and were chosen because they have demonstrated a high level of thinking and problem solving in STEM so far this year.

To start their training, STEM leaders are participating in Code Club on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at lunchtime in the library. It has been great to see the level of commitment these students have shown so far and their enjoyment during the sessions. We hope to increase the participation of code club to more students as the year progresses and have the STEM leaders drive the learning.

You will see the STEM leaders wearing red lanyards around the school yard. As part of the Code Club, they need to earn badges when they complete a component of the program. As they progress with their skills, so will their level of expertise.

There are four levels: *Novice, Apprentice, Practitioner and Expert*. Photos of the leaders and their leader levels will be displayed in the STEM building.



Mackenzie Griffiths, Amelia Downes, Cody Wood, Connor Campbell, Delilah Dunstall, Jayme Donselaar, Joshua Young, Kiarna Haycock, Riley Smith and Taya Smith.

**Jordan Dickie– STEM Coordinator**

## **Traffic Monitors**

Thankyou to our monitors who have helped us :  
Madison, Sean, Kiara, Cooper, Jordan, Emily and David  
**Traffic monitors for:**

### **Week 3 beginning Monday 14th May**

Blake Stevenson, Dakota Rost and Sam Williams-Leak

### **Week 4 beginning Monday 21st May**

Keira Griffiths, Mackenzie Griffiths and Josh Young







STAY HEALTHY THIS WINTER :

WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN



DON'T TOUCH YOUR MOUTH,  
NOSE & EYES



COVER YOUR COUGHS & SNEEZES



STAY AWAY FROM PEOPLE WHO  
ARE SICK



GET YOUR FLU SHOT!

