Teacher Supervision from 8:30am. No students at school before 8:30am.

**PRINCIPALS’ REPORT**

**Coming Events:**

**Assembly Monday’s 2:40pm**

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Students have coped well with the extreme temperatures at the beginning of the week. We have been opening the air conditioned library at lunchtimes to offer some relief on these days.

Our new pole pad installation has begun, our first is yellow displaying the word “Resilience”. The new pads will look attractive and will also remind students about our “Ways of Being”, as well as making the undercover play area safe.

Welcome to Mrs McGarry who is teaching Ms Schulte’s grade 1/2 class while she is on leave.

Information sessions for parents and carers are next Wednesday March 6th. These will begin at 3:20pm for grades Prep – 2, parents and carers meet in rooms 8 & 9 (normal grade 1/2 classroom). The second session will be at 3:50pm for grades 3,4,5,6 parents and carers meet in rooms 3 & 4 (5/6B classroom).

This will be a great opportunity to meet your child’s teacher and learn about student, school and home expectations.

**Hats:**

We still have a number of students who do not have a hat at school. Broad brimmed hats are compulsory in Term 1. All students must wear a hat when outside. Students who don’t have a hat are required to stay in the undercover area. Your child may also miss out on sport activities if they don’t have a hat. We do not encourage sharing of hats as it is one way that head lice is spread.

**School Council Elections:**

School Council elections are coming up fast, closing date is tomorrow Friday 1st March at 4:00pm. Please consider nominating for this important job. Meetings are a maximum of 3 per term and usually only 2. Duration of meetings are usually 30 to 45 minutes. There are four vacancies, 3 x 2 year, and a 1 year vacancy. Thank you.
Swimming Carnival:
We had a wonderful day at the swimming carnival last Friday. The weather was perfect for us and the children all had a terrific day. The lifeguards were quick to say that our children were the best group they had had at the pool, they were so well behaved. Thank you to all of the parents and carers who were able to come along and especially to those who were able to help out with scoring, judging and organising children. It was really appreciated.
One thing became clear during the day and it was the number of children who lacked confidence and water safety awareness around the water. Next term we will be holding our swimming program which will help students with this issue. More information will be included in the following newsletters.

School Photo Day
School Photo Day is being held on Tuesday 12th March 2013. Students need to be at school on time as photo sessions will start at exactly 8:45am. Students need to be in full school uniform for their photo.

Please note this day on your calendar as it follows the long weekend public holiday.

Envelopes need to be returned to school no later than Friday 8th March 2013. Late photo envelopes will incur a $10 fee from the photo company so please make sure you have them in on time. The school is only a collection agency for the photographer so we have no control over late payments.

I would like to introduce you to our new leaders for the school for 2013:

SCHOOL CAPTAINS: Va’aFilia Phoebe Somerville
VICE CAPTAINS Kurt Georgiou Holly O’Neill
HOUSE CAPTAINS:
Red House        Caroline Davy         Jii Stephen
Blue House       Callum Slade,       Tyler Smedley-Boyes
Green House      Nyapany Duach      Melavei Vaoga
Yellow House     Kayla Mifsud        Jamie Bonnes

Jamie, Nyapany, Melavei, Callum, Caroline, Kayla, Jii  Absent: Tyler

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Molly Germon
Scott Cochrane
Chloe Grixti
Nyadet Gatpan
Zac Francis
Jiavianna Roebeck
Ellen Wardley
Wayne Galante
Congratulations to our

“Awards”

Students

Tori
Kaleb
Jai R
Wayne
Adam
Angela
Chloe G
Scott

Katarni,
Peyton
Luke
Hosanna
Kurt
Va’a
Simon
Tyrone
Adam
Ellen
The World of Maths was fun because I liked the switch activity and all the games were entertaining. – Sari

I think WOM was fun because of the activities it also taught me that you use maths everywhere and it can be quite fantastic. – Nyapany

The WOM was fun because I enjoyed the games and it was challenging. I really liked Milkman because it was hard. – Kayla

The WOM was really enjoyable for the whole of school. It was very challenging but the good thing was everyone co-operated. – Va’a

On WOM day I loved the games because they were easy and there were 19 games. It was really, really fun. It was so awesome on WOM day, it was the most fun day. – Terri

The WOM helped kids learn about maths to use in life. Maths is important to the world and for anything to do about maths. – Shannon

I think WOM is fun because it was challenging and I learnt new things such as I use maths in everyday life no matter where you are. – Callum

At WOM we played games and fun stuff like that. The most fun game was Grazing. WOM was alright. – Caroline

I liked WOM because it was educational and the activities were challenging. My favourite one was the maze one. It was a great day. – Kaleb

I liked the WOM because I had challenging games and easy. I also liked it because I like maths. – Ryan S
Congratulations to BLUE team who won the swimming sports on Friday. Well done to all students for their excellent behaviour.
Fundraising for Ms Danielle Dinsdale

There is a fundraising tin at the school office for any donations for Ms Dinsdale for her illness recovery.
A big thank you to these companies for their wonderful donation of items towards our Christmas Competition last year. Without their support we wouldn’t have such a great raffle.

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S034-2013 Student Accident Insurance Arrangements

• Parents are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. These costs may be recoverable where an injury is caused by the negligence (carelessness) of the Department, a school council or their employees or volunteers.

• Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance. They can be obtained by school councils on a whole-of-school basis, or by parents/guardians for individual students.
Dear ……………………………,

As the parent/guardian of …………………………………… Grade ………
I wish to advise that the absence on ………………………………… was due to:
- illness ☐
- appointments ☐ Dentist ☐ Doctor ☐
- other ☐ Please specify _______________

Yours sincerely,

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Signature of Parent/Guardian Date