Pathways to the future

Tuesday 4th August 2015

Well it has certainly been very frosty during this last week or so. We take every opportunity to encourage the students to go out in the yard and get some fresh air. They run around and are soon warm enough – in fact, they take their jumpers off and leave them in the yard. Please ensure all your child’s clothing is named – is makes it a lot easier to return.

Have a great week.

Wendy

Book Week – Books Light Up Our World

This year Book Week is 22nd to 28th August and the theme is “Books Light Up Our World.” We are planning some exciting activities during the week. On Thursday 27th August we invite you to come up to the school for afternoon tea, some activities and the parade. Get your thinking caps on for the dress up parade with the theme “Books Light Up Our World.”

Students of the Month – July

Congratulations to Emily and Tilly for achieving our students of the month for July. These girls always do their best and are valuable members of our school. Well done girls!

Parent Opinion Survey

Thank you to everyone who has returned the Parent Opinion Surveys. For the few families who have not returned them, could you please do so asap as they need to be send to the department this week.

Woodworking

The woodworking trailer is still at school for the next couple of weeks. Some students still need to finish their kits and this will be done in the next couple of weeks.

Cathy McGowan Visit

Last Thursday we were fortunate to have a visit from Cathy McGowan. She spoke to us about life as a politician and the need to be resilient. We asked her some questions and she had all the students engaged with her answers. We even found out that she barracks for North Melbourne. Awesome!

School Council

Please note. Our next school council meeting is 19th August at 5.30pm.
**Kid's Council News**

**Hot Lunches**
This Thursday is hot lunch day again. Please get your hot lunch orders in by tomorrow.
Thanks

**Program Achieve Awards**
We have a huge number of students who have received all our ‘keys to success.’ Congratulations to Jackson (absent), Chevi, Jack H, Ebony and Sam. Keep up the great work kids!!

**Junior Classroom News**
It is pleasing to see the progress that Foundation students are making with their word lists in the back of their reading folders. With your support at home, your child is improving their ability to read more fluently. Foundation are learning letters ‘i’ and ‘x’. In number, we are focusing on multiplication as repeated addition and arrays. We use the terms ‘groups of’, ‘lots of’, and ‘rows of’ when working on multiplication tasks. Foundation students have been learning to ‘count on’ to add two groups together. Year 2 children have created a time-line of their lives from birth to now. Could all students please bring two photos of themselves (one as a baby and the other a recent photo) so that we can create a ‘Then and Now’, Past and Present display? Also, I would like to create a display of ‘olden days’ objects from pre-electricity times, olden days toys, photos, games, eg. ‘jacks’ etc. if anyone has access to these. Many thanks.

**Senior Classroom News**
We have been focusing on inference and using our skills to help us “read between the lines”. When your child reads at home it would be great if you could support them by asking them questions about what they are reading and what are their thoughts to ensure that they are reading for meaning.
We have started writing our very own indigenous dreamtime stories and are about to illustrate them, hopefully they will be complete by “Book Week” and we can share them.

In maths we are continuing to learn about decimals and linking it to money. We are learning the place value system and how we can multiply and divide decimal numbers by simply moving the decimal point.

Beginning next week we will be doing fluency activities based around “Numeration” which will support our learning in decimals.

**Leadership Camp**
Emily and Charli are off on their leadership camp this week along with other students from our local schools. It is being held at 15 Mile Creek Camp where they will be completing activities that will promote leadership qualities. We hope they stay warm and toasty in this very cold weather.

**Transition Day – RHS**
Today our Grade 5 and 6 students went to Rutherglen High School for transition activities. They will be involved in a medieval day full of activities and a medieval feast. We hope they enjoy their day as we see this as a vital activity in relation to their transition to secondary school next year.
Complimentary Tickets
We have 5 complimentary tickets to Tunzafun Community Fun Park to give away. These tickets admit the holder to 1 game of minigolf and 1 ride of choice at the fun park. If interested, please contact the school.

Rutherglen Agricultural Society Inc. 2015
Competitions for students this year are:
Decorative arrangements (flowers, fruit & Vegetables
Cookery
School garden produce
Posters
Arts & crafts
Needlework
Photography
Bush poetry
Students can start their planning if they would like to enter these competitions.

Dates for your calendar:
3rd – 7th August – Young Leaders Camp
5th August – Bluearth
6th August – MACC
6th August - Hot Lunches (Hot Dogs)
10th August – Japanese
12th August – Bluearth
13th August – MARC
17th August – Japanese
19th August – Bluearth
19th August – School Council – 5.30pm
20th August – MACC
24th August – Japanese
26th August – Bluearth
27th August - MARC
27th August – Book Week Activity
28th August – Bunnings Visit
28th August – Hall Catering
31st August - Japanese

Come and try little athletics.
Information night/come and try night will be held
ON: Monday 7th September
Where: The Rutherglen Showground’s.
TIME: 4:15pm
Season commences 14th of September at 4:15pm
Online registrations from 22nd of August 2015 at
www.lavic.com.au
Enquires please contact Ruth Weller 0419508135 or
Bec Jones 0409364961.
More information on the come and try night!
We would love to see you there!

Schoolmate