Pathways to the future

Wednesday 22nd June, 2016

Hi Everyone

Finally our last week of term is here – together with being a longer term, the rainy and cold weather, I think everyone is in need of a break.

Thankyou to all those people who helped with the catering on Friday night. Whether it was cooking the soup or serving the food and doing the dishes we really appreciate all of your hard work. We raised over $400 on the food and raffles. Well done!

Tonight is the disco, as I’m sure you are aware, and tomorrow afternoon are Parent/Teacher Interviews. If for any unforeseen circumstance you can’t make your appointment, please contact the school and we may be able to arrange another time.

On Friday we will do a general clean-up in and around the school. We will then watch a movie. School will dismiss at 2.30pm

Have a fabulous holiday break and we will see you on the 11th July!

Wendy

School Council News

BBQ & Cake Stall

Our next fundraising event will be the BBQ and cake stall at the election on the 2nd July. Thanks to those people who have agreed to swaps on the roster – most appreciated. Attached to this newsletter is 2 plates, freezer bags and stickers for you to write the ingredients. Could you please arrange for your cakes to be dropped off on the morning of the election. Thanks in anticipation.

Trivia Night

Information regarding our trivia night is regularly put on our Facebook page. Tables are going fast so secure your table now to avoid disappointment.

We are asking for donations for the auction. If you have any ideas please let a council member know.

If you have any questions – please do not hesitate to write it on Facebook or contact the school.

Kids’ Council News

Disco – 6.00pm – 7.30pm

Tonight's the night for the big disco. Come along to the multi-purpose room for our annual disco. There will be glow sticks (20c) and potato chips (50c) for sale. Water will be available. Put you dancing shoes on and we hope to see you there!!

Resilience

Hint No. 5 – Love kids for their differences.

When families function well, people are allowed to be different and to be loved for those differences.

We all know that children take on different roles. A father of three said, “it’s as if they have a planning meeting once a year and say ‘you be the good kid, I’ll be the sick kid and the other one can be the trouble-maker!’ And then just when you think you’ve got it all figured out they change roles again.”

Having children who are strongly individual and who have a sense of who they are, is a sign of good parenting. The problem may, of course be that they will then express their independent spirit in ways that you don’t like. The ideal is a mix between someone who preserves their own uniqueness and is able to work with others without becoming dictated to by them. Someone who has their own independent nature but is comfortable enough with themselves to allow inter-dependence.

Music – Next Term

We are very fortunate to have a music teacher for next term, his name is Tim Adkins and he is from Rutherglen. Tim will be taking music on Tuesday mornings for both grades. We have a number of students who indicated they would like private lessons. Tim will talk to the children about this next term.

Welcome Jess

We have been very fortunate to have Jess with us this week on work experience. She has been eager to help the kids and has been a pleasure to have. Thanks Jess

ps. She even plays footy!
Junior Room
It has been very rewarding to see the academic growth that these students have made this term thanks to their hard work and home support. The last two weeks have consisted mainly of revision work in English and Maths. We hope all families have a restful break and encourage our students to continue to read and practise their skills over the holidays. If you would like your child to take home some books to read over the holiday period, please let us know. Thankyou to our parent (and grandparent) volunteers who have assisted with reading this semester and also to Tash who has assisted in the classroom as well as working 'one-on-one' with some of our students to consolidate skills.

Senior Room
We have had quite a successful semester’s work. Our unit of work on fractions is almost finished – we will carry this over to next term as some of us are still finding this a bit of a challenge. We will be looking at some new reading strategies next term – please encourage your child to read during the holidays as this allows them to practise the strategies we have learnt so far. They each will have at least one book to read during the holidays.

Our unit of work on Government will come to an end – quite a lot of information and concepts to learn – I am stilling learning about them as an adult!

School Banking
A competition will be running next term for school banking. If your child deposits at least five times during the term, they will be in the running for a prize.

Facebook
We are on Facebook! This will be used for reminders and general information. Thankyou to Mel Keys for organising this.

Slide Pick-up
We have a slide which has been repaired and needs to be picked up. It is at Complete Body Craft in Rutherglen. Please let me know if you can pick this up and bring it to school. It would be most appreciated.

Dates for your calendar:
22nd June – DISCO 6 – 7.30pm
23rd June – ART
23rd June - P/T Interviews
24th June – Last day Term 2
2nd July – Election BBQ
11th July – 1st day Term 3
11th July – Japanese
12th July - Music
12th July - Phys Ed with Josh