Thought for the Week:
It is not enough to aim, you must hit.

WELCOME

Welcome to our new families! We hope you'll be happy at our school and living in our beautiful corner of the world! We welcome Axel to Year 1 and Sam to Year 2.

JUMP ROPE JILL

On 29th July at 9.00 a.m. we will be holding our second Arts Council for the year. Jump Rope Jill is a highly energised and interactive skipping demonstration that is sure to entertain and get the blood pumping. We are expecting a big increase in the number of students wanting to skip at lunch time, following Jill's performance. There is a tear off slip at the end of the Newsletter. Cost is $5 per child, or $10 for a family.

SCOOT-A-THON

On Tuesday 5th August, the P&C will be holding our biggest fundraiser for the year: a Scoot-a-thon. Sponsorship forms went home on Tuesday. This year we are going with Adidas, as the company to provide us with incentive prizes for children who raise money for the school. Although the form says Walkathon, it will be a Scoot-a-thon. We will be running it the same as the scooter day, with each class only out of school for 45 minutes on the day. Prior to the day, we'll publish a timetable of when classes will be participating, so that parents will know when they can come along and watch, if they would like to.

All riders will need a helmet. Those without scooters might be able to borrow one from a friend in another class. It will be up to students and their parents to make these arrangements between families.

DANCE NIGHT

Our dance night is on 29th August. Please put it on your calendar. Students will be learning dances in their Arts lessons and will present them for parents on the night. Parents will be invited to participate with their children! On the night, we hope to have the local bowls club offering meals for families at reasonable prices. Watch this space for more details!

THANK YOU FROM TARYN AND TRACY

An update on fundraising for Taryn and Tracy: The final total is $4902! What a fantastic effort Elliott Heads! Of course we didn't do it all on our own, but this is a great example of the power of community effort. Below are the winners of the Raffle and the two Hundreds Boards:

1. RAFFLE
   a. 2 nights at Oceans Spa and Resort Hervey Bay. Ben Vickers
   b. $100 Sportspower Voucher. Ross Morrall
   c. $70 Bundaberg Remedial Massage. Donna Smith

2. A $2.00 hundreds board with 2 prizes of $50 each. Jim Monsour (one of our Rotary Readers) Nicholas Chippendale

3. A $5.00 hundreds board with a single prize of $250. Matt Lee (Mrs Lee's son who is getting married soon)

Tracy's last day will be 25th July, and she will be away for three weeks. I ask that during that time you are patient with office communications.

If you would like to follow Taryn, her Commonwealth Games Facebook page can be found at https://www.facebook.com/TarynPollishewskyglasgow2014?ref=fms
Next meeting: Wed, 20th August, at 9.30 a.m., in the library.
All are most welcome to come along.

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Ask to join us. It's a great way for us to keep in touch with you!

2014 FUNDRAISING PLAN
- 05 August: Walkathon
- 13 August: Pizza Day
- 29 August: Dance Night Food Stall
- Late Term 3: Fathers' Day Stall
- Early Term 4: Family Portraits

Using the Crossing

Parents and older brothers and sisters who pick up students from school are reminded that it is ILLEGAL and a FINEABLE offense to cross the road elsewhere when there is a marked crossing in the area. We have a number of people who continue to cross the road without using the marked school crossing. They are putting their children at risk and setting a poor example for other students. Thank you to the vast majority of people picking up their children who do follow the safety rules.

Level Reward Afternoon

Next Friday afternoon, 1st August, we will be holding our first Levels Reward Afternoon. Except for newly enrolled students, all students have now received their Bronze Ribbon and some even reached their Silver Ribbon at yesterday’s assembly. There will be a few more of them at next week’s assembly I’m sure! Bronze Reward will be an ice block and free play afternoon. Silver reward will be a movie with popcorn and a drink.

Responsible Behaviour Plan Meeting

Thank you to the parents who attended last Thursday’s meeting regarding the school’s Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students. Parents who attended have a much clearer idea of how the plan works and the strategies we have in place for recognising positive behaviour, as well as the consequences for unacceptable behaviour. It was great to have Graham Ritchie, our coach from the School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) Team at the meeting to lead a health discussion on the pros and cons of consequences and rewards. Once the draft plan is ratified at a P&C Meeting, every family will receive a copy. New families also receive a copy on enrolment. Please don’t hesitate to discuss the plan with staff if you have any questions.

Behaviour Passports

Most parents at the meeting seemed very happy with their child’s passport, in which they collect stamps towards their Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Ribbons. Why not drop into your child’s classroom to have a look?

Discipline Audit

Just as our curriculum and teaching strategies undergo an audit every four years (next one is 2016), our discipline policies also undergo an audit. This will take place on Thursday 7th August. Thanks to staff and parents who have helped us prepare for this by participating in discussions, meetings, etc., to help us clarify the best way to go forward.

Dates for your Calendar

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Raffle

On Monday we sent home a book of raffle tickets with each family. Some have already been returned. More tickets can be requested as your booklet is sold. There will be a $20 voucher for the family who sells the most tickets. This will be worked out on a ‘per child’ basis so that it is fair for smaller families.

NAIDOC Week Celebrations

We had a fantastic Day last Friday, despite the blustery conditions on the oval, with a very strong wind blowing! We are very grateful as always for the support of Kepnock SHS teacher Mr Craig Currie, and the Indigenous students who come along each year to present a dance and cultural artefacts session, and the ever popular hunting session, with students given the opportunity to throw spears and boomerangs. The boys did a great job, were polite and well-behaved throughout and really enjoyed their sausage sizzle lunch, as did the rest of our students and staff. Thanks P&C!

Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all parents who have returned a request for a parent/teacher interview. This time of year is an ideal time to have a dedicated timeslot to discuss your child’s progress, even if you are up at the school regularly.

If you are a working parent and you need a later timeslot, please indicate this on the interview sheet and your child’s teacher will phone you to organise a suitable time.

Individual Curriculum Plans

Yesterday, Mrs Brown and Mrs Patterson began writing individual curriculum plans (ICPs) for students who are a year or more below their year level in Maths and/or English. We have started with Special Education Program students who’ve been diagnosed with a particular learning disability and will then work to develop plans for other students with a learning difficulty. We were very grateful to have the help of our Head of Special Education, Kara Krehlik, based at Woongarra SS.

Today Mrs Campbell will be working on ICPs for students in her class and tomorrow Miss Thompson will be doing so.

We will be meeting with parents to discuss their child’s draft individual Curriculum Plan. Parents will have an opportunity to add to them, if they would like to.

Accounts

Have you paid your outstanding account for sports buses, Mathletics or reading subscription? It would be appreciated if you could do so before Tracy leaves tomorrow!

Assembly Awards

Students of the Week

PREP: Slade: For working hard to learn his numbers 1-20
Another great week! In English we have started planning our short story animations. We will be creating a stop motion animation about an ethical dilemma. In Maths we have been continuing our investigations into fractions and the children are really beginning to get a grasp on the topic. We are working hard at learning our dances for the upcoming dance night. Our coordination is improving with each session. The children have been given a youtube link that they can view at home. It is called ‘Happy Line Dance’.

This week in History we have looked at several secondary penal colonies across Australia. We have also discovered where the name Van Diemen’s Land came from when naming Tasmania. Exciting times ahead discovering how the free settlers lived.

KELLY

HOT GOSS from Year 5/6/7

It has already such a busy term and we are only in week 2. As mentioned last week, we are working on a unit around Ancient Rome which will see us through most of the semester. On occasion we will be asking the students to complete a small homework task as we did last week. Please check with your child week to week if they have something extra to complete for their homework.

The students had an excellent Maths session with Mrs Ollie Orr. We had Reece, a past student of Elliott Heads, assist in this week’s lesson. It is fabulous to see students participate in such a valuable experience particularly with high school looming for many of our students!

Over the coming weeks, we will also be frantically working on learning our dances for the up and coming Dance Night. It is great fun to see all the students strutting their stuff! As we are each teaching dancing to students, it is vitally important for students to be as school every day so as not to miss a lesson.

TEENY & LIZ

THE BUZZ from Year 4/5

Another lovely week and let the silver awards begin! Great effort to all students that have received theirs this week or are working their best to receive very soon. This week our focus English text is Willy the Wimp, we have been busy analysing human characteristics portrayed by the author. In History we have begun our new unit exploring yesterday and today - my grandparents, my parents and me. We have enjoyed learning about different generations and family structures from the past and present. Home reading went home to all students this week please read your book packs multiple times within the week to develop fluency, expression and understanding.

Please return Monday for reviewing, this includes Year 1 students. We are still looking for parent volunteers to assist with this task so if you could spare 30 mins either first up Monday morning or from 2.15pm Monday afternoons please let Mrs Campbell know.

KATH, LIZ & DENISE

WHAT’S THE SCOOP? from Year 2/3

In English this week we have examined the book “Willy the Wimp” by Anthony Browne. We are examining the structure of a narrative and how a character can change as we read the book.

In Maths, the Year 2s are exploring how to visually represent fractions. The year 3a are learning how to write a fraction using symbols. We are also looking at ordering fractions from smallest to largest.

In Science this week we have examined how our world rotates in space. We were able to make a play dough world with land masses that sits on an axis.

A big thank you and congratulations to those who have returned their homework and home readers for week one. Remember if you complete your homework for 90% of this term you will be invited to our homework party.

In History we have continued looking at significant days for various countries and today have started our assessment where they are required to link the special day with its date and explain its significance.

PIP

THE BUZZ from Year 4/5

NAME: Name -

SIGNED: Signed -

TEAR OFF SLIP for JUMP ROPE JILL 29th July

Your child/ren’s names:

Cost: $5/child OR $10/family Enclosed is: $