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Respect & Care



Responsibility



Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding



Excellence

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

Can you believe that we are now half way through Term 3? As I write this, it feels as if it was only last week that I started working at our amazing school.

A particular highlight of this week was our Grade 6 Basketball competition. It was fantastic to hear that both our boy and girl teams proceeded through their respective pools undefeated. Notwithstanding this is the fact that both teams showed incredible grace and sportsmanship. After an incredibly close final, our boys' team came away division champions and the girls' team came runners up! Well done kids! I am so very proud of your efforts and sportsmanship.

We have an exciting week next week with our School Choir heading to South Street to compete. Thank you to Carolyn Bennett and Miss Ally for the many early Thursday morning practice sessions that have been occurring in the lead up to this event. The boys and girls are sounding amazing and I believe they will do us very proud.

I have been speaking with our students about meditation and mindfulness over the last couple of weeks. As a practice, research has given us a strong insight into how meditation and mindfulness can aid in concentration, sleep and our overall well-being. Smiling Mind and the Resilience Project both offer free mobile apps with guided meditations for children. I use this at home frequently before bedtime with my two rather hyperactive daughters, with great results. They even ask for a meditation nightly! I can highly recommend introducing this practice at home, if you haven't already done so.

On Friday of next week we have our SRC Pyjama Day fundraiser, which will be fantastic. That evening we will also have our Movie Night fundraiser. Thank you to the many parents who have volunteered their time to assist with preparations, barbeques etc. I know that there are many excited children eagerly awaiting this event. A very special thank you to Ballarat High School for allowing us to use their venue.

Just a reminder that we have a student free day on the 5th of September. Our staff will be hard at work completing vital planning and preparation for Term 4.

It looks as if the weather is not going to be on our side this weekend. I hope you can relax and enjoy some time with loved ones.

Have a great weekend.

Ryan



Dates To Remember:

Monday 15th August
School Council Meeting 7:00pm

22nd August ~ 26th August
Book Week

Wednesday 17th August
South St ~ Choir

Tuesday 23rd August
Active Travel Day

Friday 19th August
PYJAMA DAY
MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday 25th August
Book Week Dress Up Day

Friday 26th August
F-2 Responsible Pet Owners Incursion
3/4 Garden Excursion



Students Of The Week Awards



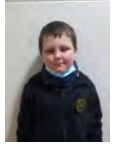
00B ~ ESTHER

For the creative solution you came up with when writing about how you would catch a star. You impressed us with your ability to write known words and to write the sounds you could hear in unfamiliar words. Amazing writing Esther!



00R ~ CLEMENTINE

For the fantastic creative writing you did this week! Clementine, it was so lovely to read your idea about how you would catch a star, you wrote so much detail and blew me away with your sounding out of tricky words! Keep up the top effort!



1/2B ~ JACKSON

For the fantastic effort that you put into your work on fractions this week. It was great to see you sharing equally and labelling your fractions correctly. Well done!



1/2H ~ ZEPHYR

For aiming high and locking into his work with dedication. Zephyr, I have been so very proud of your amazing work over the last few weeks. You are showing great enthusiasm towards your writing and reading activities. You have shown excellence within your story writing and extending on your ideas to produce great work. Keep smiling and working hard SUPERSTAF!



1/2K ~ CONNOR

For extending his learning in maths this week. Connor, well done on placing yourself in the learning pit when exploring fractions. Your understanding and reasoning has blown my socks off.



1/2S ~ EDWARD

For putting in your best effort to achieve our class goal of showing kindness. You amaze me with your consideration of others and the way you look out for your friends. You show our school values of respect and care every day. We are so lucky to have you in 1/2S! Keep on being the amazing role model you are!



3/4M ~ ELLA

For the effort and focus you have put into your writing and maths. Its fantastic to see you taking charge of your learning. You have carefully researched your Paralympian and got into the learning pit to discover how to multiply larger numbers by two digit.



3/4M ~ HARVEY

For the way you are showing excellence. It is great to see you mastering the ability to create accurate and quick summary and showing a growth mindset to use the vertical algorithm to multiply larger numbers.



3/4P ~ HELENA

For working hard during our letter writing cycle this week. Helena, it was fantastic to see you researching different Paralympians and planning your letter out accurately. Your letter to Grant Paterson was detailed and thoughtful. Fantastic effort!



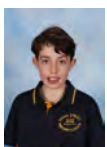
3/4R ~ GRETA

For continually having a go at everything. It's been great to see the positive attitude when given a learning task, and attempting that activity with a growth mindset. Well done Greta, you should be very proud of how you've approached your work this week.



5/6J ~ SPENCER

For being a wonderful friend and classmate within our classroom. Spencer, you are kind, understanding and humorous, and always seem to brighten everyone's day with your punny jokes. Keep being you.



5/6P ~ CHARLIE

For his eagerness and willingness to challenge and extend his learning at Earth Ed yesterday. Charlie, you demonstrated a true passion for electrical circuits, and displayed your problem solving skills when creating challenging circuit boards and games. Keep up the great work legend!



5/6W ~ 5/6W SUPERSTARS

For showing amazing resilience and flexibility during a topsy-turvy week. It was so great to have such positive reports when I arrived back at school, and I'm so proud of you all for putting in hard work and supporting each other. Well done, Superstars!



This week, Josie shared her backstory about Musical Theatre.

Josie started musical theatre at a young age, following in the footsteps of her older brother. She described how hard musical theatre is because there is so much going on and so much to remember at every performance. Josie has to have a positive growth mindset to help her remember lines, routines and songs.

Thanks for sharing your backstory, Josie!

BUDDIES & MATES

Harry: "I love buddies and mates because I get to help my buddy learn how to be a school student".

Claire "I get to bond with younger students and see how they learn and grow".

Mae: "I like to make new friends and bond with my buddies".

Oscar: "I get to teach my buddies about our school values and play games with them".

Josie: "I can look after younger students and play exciting games with them".



Dana Street Primary School



WALL·E

MOVIE NIGHT

Friday August 19, 2022

@ Ballarat High School - Robinson Centre

Sausage sizzle from 5:45pm. Movie starts 6:30pm sharp



TICKETS FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE, \$2 EACH
POPCORN & DRINKS FOR SALE ON THE NIGHT

