Dear Families,

Busy weeks

Term 3 is just zooming by and we have had some action packed weeks. SSO Week, Science week, Book Week and this week Numeracy Week. The students have taken part in a variety of activities in the spirit of each week and there has been lots of learning.

Premier’s Reading and Be Active Challenges

Have you read your 12 books? Have you been active? All forms need to be in to me by the 12th of September for data to be entered, so that Schools receive medals for end of year presentations.

Partnership

Just a reminder that we have a Pupil Free Day on Thursday 8th of September and then a School Closure on Friday 9th of September. On the Pupil Free Day we will be working in our Network Learning Groups in the morning and then coming back to do some work as a staff on Curriculum as well as some Growth Mindset Work.

PAT (Progressive Achievement Test) Testing

Students in Year 2-10 are required to undertake the online PAT Reading Comprehension (PAT-R) and Maths (PAT-M) test annually. This provides useful information for tracking students learning. We will also be testing our Reception, and Year 1 students in maths. The main aim of the testing is to provide information to teachers regarding the strengths and needs of their students. Testing will take place in Week 8 and 9 of this term.

Assembly

Our end of term assembly will take place at 9:00am on Tuesday 20th of September. I invite you to come in and share some of our successes this term.

How much sleep do children need every night?

(From www.sleephealthfoundation.org.au)

Different people have different sleep needs and as children get older, they need less sleep. It is recommended that school-aged children get 9 to 11 hours per night (slightly more for 5-year olds).

If you have difficulty getting your child to go to bed at night, try establishing a bedtime routine. Introduce a 30-60 minute quiet time, avoiding computers, TVs, iPads etc during this as they are too stimulating. The rest of the routine may include shower/bath, pyjamas, a drink, cleaning teeth, toilet, a bedtime story, goodnight kiss and lights out.

Sticking to the routine each night and being consistent is really important. It helps your child’s body and mind to get ready for bed. It can help them go to sleep more easily and they are more likely to wake up about the same time each morning.

Why is sleep so important? Well, I know that if I’ve had a bad night’s sleep or a really late night, I don’t function as well the next day. I’m more likely to be snappy, grumpy and lack focus. For children, being tired means they are less likely to be able follow instructions properly or learn new concepts.

So a good night’s sleep can help us all feel better and be more successful!
There was a range of activities organised for book week:

**Monday**: Whole school story in the gym
**Tuesday**: Parade and Better Buddies
**Wednesday**: Picnic Reading at lunch
**Thursday**: Book Swap
**Friday**: Simultaneous Story Time
Thank you to all the families who came to our Movie night on the 19th of August. There were 25 families who attended. We had a great night and raised over $120 which we will put towards some new raised garden beds for by the gym. We hope to have another one later in the year.

Congratulations to Sophie from Room 1 who has been chosen to be a member of Scholastic’s Review Crew.
For Terms 3 and 4 this year, Scholastic will send Sophie books to read and review. She gets to keep the books and her reviews will appear on the Scholastic website.
Happy reading Sophie!
From Miss Western...

Poetry

It is really quite fine,
Why it’s quite divine,
It’s a favourite of mine,
Would you step out of line?

Poetry is a piece of art,
So come and take part,
It is a wonderful piece of art,
That comes deep within the heart.

It can easily be learnt,
A wonderful talent well learnt.

Why don’t you come join me,
In the magic of poetry?
It’s better than a spelling bee,

Because it comes in variety,
It also costs no fee,
So join me and be free!

Would I lie?
Oh golly, oh my,
I would rather die,
It’s simple as a piece of pie.

Come on, come make a piece!
Why don’t you write about geese?
Or maybe one on world peace?

By William E,
By golly, that’s me!

From Mrs M...

Busy times

This term we have been busy learning about money, food and letter writing. In Maths, we have been looking at money and furthering our skills in counting. In the pictures below, you will find us having fun at our classroom shop, selecting items we would like to buy with the money amount we have been given and working out how much change we will have.

Meanwhile, in Literacy, we spent the first few weeks looking at recipe writing and our favourite recipes. This linked in well with all the food investigations we have been doing with Mr Sharp in Health and Mrs M in Design and Technology. More recently, however, we have been looking at letter writing and drafting, with the aim of publishing, a letter each to Mrs B who is away on long service leave this term.

We are looking forward to the next 5 fantastic weeks of Term 3 and the return of Mrs B, who we have all missed greatly.

Until next time, fair well from Mrs M, Mrs Mads and the students of Room 5

From Mrs Sawley...

Family Tree

Sam Kop is working with the Reception students on Narungga this term. Last week they focused on their family trees.
Word of the week

What does this word mean?? What does it look like?? How can it be used in a sentence?? Can you use this word at home each day??

Junior Primary

CELEBRATE

Upper Primary

published

Quote of the week

In the spirit of Numeracy Week

Family Maths Challenge

Challenge 7 Answer
There are 243 3-digit numbers for which 2 digits are the same.

Challenge 8
One morning grasshopper fell down a hole 2 metres deep. He would climb 1/4 of a metre every day but at night he slid down 1/8 of a metre. At this rate, how many days until the grasshopper gets out?

Record how you do the challenge and then bring it in to school (with name and class) and hand it in to Mrs Keleher by the Friday of week 7.
KADINA BASKETBALL CLUB
2016/2017 Season
Registration Night
Thursday 8th September
5.30—6.30pm

Kadina Netball Shed
Copper Coast Sport & Leisure Centre

All intending players must register. If you are unable to attend please phone/message prior to registration night.

All new and existing players/families welcome.

Registrations will be taken for Junior & Senior Grades

Please note, an ‘Intent to Play’ amount of $60-00 per player to be paid at time of Registration

For further information please contact:
Chris Morris — 0407 996 628
Kylie Slattery — 0409 816 108

WALLAROO TENNIS CLUB

Junior & Senior Registration

Wednesday, 14th September, 4.30-6pm
At the Wallaroo Tennis Courts.
All new and intending players please attend.
Registration forms available on the day or phone 0418 894 670.
Marcia Guerrero
Secretary: Wallaroo Tennis Club
Emergency foster carers needed

Foster care agencies are currently seeking emergency and short term foster carers.

What is emergency foster care?

Sometimes children need urgent placement with a foster carer because there are concerns for the child’s immediate safety. These placements can occur any time, day or night, including after hours and on weekends.

‘Emergency’ does not mean you start today. All foster carers receive thorough training and assessment to ensure the children placed with you are safe and that you have the skills needed to provide quality care.

For more information, visit the Families SA website.
Contact: Program Officer, Foster Care Services, Maria Krahling, phone 8226 6617
Values Awards
Week 5 & 6, Term 3
2016

Congratulations to the following students for consistently displaying our Values:

- Relationships: Caitlin, Lachlan, Chloe S, Emily, Ashlee, Miley, Scott, Kai, Tequayla
- Collaboration: Lacey, Annalise, Emily
- Trust: Saphira, Sam, Flynn, Lucas, Sophie, William, Mathilda
- Understanding: Miley, Scott, Kai, Tequayla
- Communication: Indy, Lakeisha, Jakob, Mathilda

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