Dear Parents, Teachers and Students,

Welcome to the 2007 educational year. We have started our fortnightly publication of the school newsletters. The school newsletters are intended to provide parents with information from teachers and students and an overview of what topics your child is learning in class. It will also provide general information about education. Our swimming program commenced last week on Tuesday and will continue every Tuesday till the 8th of May. The school canteen is in operation. The Grade 5 and 6 students will be attending a school camp this term for three days.

Students have received all their books and stationary from the school. The only books that have not been given at the start of the year were Turkish and Scripture books. These books have now been distributed to the students by the Scripture and Turkish teachers and they are to be paid by parents. The Turkish books are a new edition this year and therefore we have not been able to provide you information earlier. Payments for these books are to be made to the office. I would like to wish the 2007 year a success for everyone.

Kind Regards
Ali Goru
Principal

Key Dates
12th of March—Labour Day—No School
28th–30th March—Grade 5 / 6 School Camp
30th of March, Friday—Term 1 Ends
6th of April—Friday—Good Friday—No school
9th of April—Easter Monday
16th April, Monday—Term 2 starts
30th April, Monday—School Photos
8th May Tuesday—Swimming Program Ends
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Grade Two / Three

Dear Parents

It is school time again. The grade two and three students have been rather busy with various testing in the areas of Math and English. Students are currently trying to get into their new class routine along with some having to get used to having a new teacher and also being at a new school. On that note I would like to welcome all the new families. Please ask me questions if you have any queries or concerns. Don’t forget that the student diary is a good way to communicate, especially if you are from Melbourne. That is why it is so important that you sign the diary daily so that it is known that the information in the diary was read.

The grade two students have a big year ahead of them, they are no longer in what is classed as the ‘infant area’ and are required to do a lot more work at a higher standard. Some students are having trouble completing the work during the set time, but I am sure once they get used to the routine they will be finishing their work in no time. Some students are just having a little trouble with their time management skills.

The grade 2 students will also be challenged this year, as they are preparing for grade three. Although they are in the same classroom, the grade two students are completing work at their level and are not expected to be doing the same workload as the grade threes. Even so, this is a great opportunity for the grade two students as they are able to, at times, join in with various conversations and learn from their older peers.

This term in integrated studies, students are looking at Australia. This includes cities, states and territories, landmarks, both natural and man made, the colonies, aborigines and Australian animals. If students have any books on Australia and wish to bring them to school to share them with their class mates that would be fantastic. As you know, in health students are doing a project on various aspects of health and safety in Australia. Although they have all the information required to complete the project it would still be beneficial for them to visit the local library and borrow books on their topic. Along with learning research skills it is a great experience for them. While you are there students could also borrow books that they are interested in reading.

It is important that students read their reader nightly. But it is also important that students be given the opportunity to read literature that they are interested in, particularly the boys. As they get older they tend to lose interest in reading, and studies have shown if we can keep them interested now it will help them later when they reach high school.

I will now leave you with some interesting facts about the English language that might be useful when helping your child at home with their spelling.

‘a’ after w gives an ‘o’ sound
no English words end in ‘v’ there is always an ‘e’ after it
no English words are spelt with ‘uv’ – words with a ‘uv sound in them are spelt ‘ov’
‘a’ after ‘qu’ sounds like a short ‘o’
adding ‘e’ after the final consonant makes the vowel long
Hello to all, welcome to the new year. It has been a very busy term so far and things are moving along quickly.

We started off the term with various screening tests and are now working towards these curriculum standards. Our theme topic this term is Australia—You’re standing in it. Students will be looking at Australia geographically, various animals and their habitats, coastlines and various health issues like stinging animals and sharks in Australian waters.

Our PE lessons will be swimming for the rest of this term, however students may still wear sports uniform on Wednesday’s.

For the new families to our school, the diaries play an important role in communication between home and school, and I would encourage you all to use it to make notes or keep up with what’s going on. Diaries must be signed daily. If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Bye for now,

Mrs. K

Dear Parents,

We have commenced a new year, and so far students have been busy with tests and classroom work. Screening tests were carried out the 1st week of school in the areas of literacy and maths. This is to identify students who may be at risk. These are students who are working well below standard grade level. These students are put in individual learning plans to help them achieve goals, and eventually reach grade appropriate levels. Individual learning plans for certain students will be sent home next week.

In our integrated subject we are looking at space exploration and forces and motion. We have been doing experiments so students can learn about gravity, inertia and momentum. They had lots of fun and learnt a few things along the way.

It is recommended that students read every night and practice their timetables. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Sandra Presa

Facts:

Can you hear a shout in space?
Not unless you have a radio in your space suit. There is hardly any air in space. Without air or another way to carry the soundwaves, there is no sound.

Where does space end?
It doesn’t end, it is endless. It goes on way beyond the solar system and past the most distant stars.
Mother Kangaroo and her Joey

One day lived a Kangaroo and its joey they lived in the forest. One day mother Kangaroo went off to work with her joey. Then something happened to her joey, she suddenly fell to the ground so, her mother went to the doctors with her joey. The doctor said “she has a very bad tummy ache.” Then mother Kangaroo forgot what the doctor said to her about her joey. The next day it was joey’s birthday she was turning five. Mother kangaroo invited everybody. When they came Joey was lying on her bed turning around. Then it was time to sing happy birthday and cut the cake. When they said hip hip-hooray she was blowing the candle gently and the fire on the candles didn’t so mother kangaroo blew it for her. The next day she wasn’t sick anymore.

By Betul Inal

Book Club

**Book:** Harry Potter and the Half-blood prince

**Why I liked it:** This story is about encouragement, friendship and is a must read book with lots of thrillers.

**By:** Deniz Ramadan

**Book:** Rats, Crispin Canoodle!

**By:** Janeen Brian

**Why I like it:** Lots of action and noise at the market place

**By:** Mine Arisoy

**Book:** Promise not to bite

**By:** Joel Tyne

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