Deputy Principal’s Message

Dear Parents & Friends,

Once again it is that time of the year when teachers are very busy completing assessments and writing progress reports. I'd like to thank Mr Mustafa Oz, for all his time and technology support. Semester reports are distributed twice per year, during mid and end of year periods. It is the expectation of the Department of Education that all schools report against the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (VELS) using the A-E scale in all the Learning Areas.

Semester One reports will be out on distribution on Friday 26th June from 9.30am until 12.30pm. Reports will only be given to parents, not students or older siblings. Uncollected reports will be posted home to families.

The Swine flu has indeed become sensationalised in recent times. However, the Victorian government is now in the ‘sustain’ phase, which means that quarantines will no longer take place in schools if any cases are confirmed. Students who are feeling unwell should remain home and seek medical attention. If your child becomes ill at school, we will contact you immediately and ask you to collect your child. Please make sure that we have up-to-date contact and emergency contact details. Finally, good general hygiene remains the best defence against the flu. Thank you to Mrs Uzuncakmak, a parent naturopath, for providing samples of goodies for our classrooms.

Recently, I was browsing and sorting the online digital photos network and I was only too happy to see how much our sports programs have developed. The new PMP equipment purchased last year has been much needed. The inter-school sports program over the last few years have been a tremendous success thanks to the coordination of Ms Cilek (and Mrs Tasci this year) as well as our resident coach Mr Yilmaz. We are all excited to have our annual Athletics Carnival next term. If you have a love of sports and some time to help volunteer in training, please see Ms Cilek or Mrs Tasci.

A couple of incidents have been reported to our administration where families have crossed the roads unsafely. The lollypop lady and our guard keeper, Hasan bey are here to assist students and families during peak hours. Crossing at other locations other than the school crossing point is very dangerous and will endanger your child’s well-being. I ask your support in leading by example at all times.

Have a safe and happy holidays.

Ms Evla Han

PS- Ooops! The Prep Entrance Exam date is on Sunday 17th (not 19th) July. Thanks to my meticulous l/reader :)

Semester Reports Notice -

- Not all year levels cover all of the domains
- PE and Health is reported as one subject
- Student results may change in a particular domain. For instance, in Mathematics classes may have covered ‘Time’ – telling the time, elapsed time, reading calendars. In Measurement, Chance & Data this semester area, perimeter and graphing may not yet be taught. This means that a student may receive an ‘A’ in semester one (Time), but a ‘C’ in semester two for (Area, Perimeter etc) for Measurement, Chance & Data depending on their understanding of the different aspects.
- The curriculum is structured over a two year cycle. Therefore, students who receive an ‘A’ in 2008 may receive an alternate result such as a ‘C’ this semester. Geography may have been taught last year, while this year it may be an Economics unit.
Dear Parents,

We have come to the end of another busy term. I would like to thank all the prep teachers including Ms Sonmez Okten, Ms Bahar Ulukan, Ms Emine Demet and Gulcan Ayvaz for all their hard work and dedication.

There are a number of parents, students and teachers going overseas. I would like to wish all of our families a happy and safe holiday. I would like to inform my Grade Prep C parents that I will also be taking some time off and will be away for the first few weeks of Term 3. I will be visiting family and friends in Turkey.

The health and wellbeing of our children is always of primary importance. A child’s socialisation takes place at home, school and in the community. In each of these settings a child will be exposed to factors that will shape his or her development in positive or other ways.

Parents can encourage confidence, resilience and positive behaviour in their child by:

- encouraging good behaviour
- listening, asking and communicating with their child.
- seeking advice from your child’s teacher or a professional.
- encourage friendships - school friends, family and neighbours.
- encourage independence- teach them problem solving and organization skills
- encourage your child to get involved in a sport club or group.
- maintain a routine- this will reduce stress and develop self-discipline.
- provide supervision- children need to know they are safe.
- be consistent- if your child know what you expect of them, they will feel safe.

Next term our unit of work will be the Weather unit. We will be going to Scienceworks and visiting the Planetarium.

Best Wishes for the winter holiday season,

Prep Coordinator

Mrs Ozlem Oflay
Multicultural Day

On Friday the 5th of June, grade 3 students celebrated Multicultural day. I was dressed as a Turkish girl. Our classroom looked very colourful because all the children were wearing different traditional costumes. My teacher Ms. Sevde scared me in the dark. She was wearing a big black wig and she had painted her face white. She was dressed as a Japanese Geisha. First thing in the morning we went to the multipurpose room. We did a special cat walk to show off their costumes. I was very embarrassed. Later we went back to our classroom and presented our projects to parents teachers and friends. For lunch we had a taste of Italy. Oh Ok! We all shouted when the pizza arrived! After lunch we danced to Indian music. It was so much fun! At the end of the day our beautiful Ms. Sevde gave chocolate, lollies and certificates to everyone. I had a wonderful day! By Reyyan Erdurul.

Knitting with Mrs Arman

One Friday the 5th of June, grade 4C had a knitting session. Mrs Arman told the whole class to bring knitting sticks and wool. Even the boys! Everyone was excited. We got started. Mrs Arman showed us the how to knit. The boys tried knitting as well but they found it a little too difficult. Mrs Arman was having a hard time showing the boys how to knit, I think she was a bit frustrated! It was the first time Miss Muhsine ever held the knitting sticks, she was so funny. Some of the girls had already started knitting and it looked beautiful. Thankyou to Mrs Arman for organizing this art and craft session. By Meryem Uluturk 4C

The grade 4 students participated in a soccer competition organised by the Melbourne Victory Football Federation on Thursday the 4th of June. The students had the opportunity to play a friendly game against other schools and also compete in shooting penalties and juggling of the soccer ball.

The results from the day is as follows:

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Gr 4/5 Soccer Competition

On Thursday the 18th of June students from gres Prep, 1, 2 and 3 will be involved in a skip-a-thon to help raise money for the Heart Foundation. For those students who have not as yet collected any donations to help support this important cause please forward your donations by Wednesday the 17th of June.

Thank-you.
Ms Cilek & Mrs Tasci
Sports Team Leaders
During the term some of the students in grade five visited the Rialto Tower as a part of Education Week activities. It was an opportunity for the students to acquaint themselves with Melbourne and its surrounds. Although it was quite foggy and the weather wasn’t perfect for viewing it did not dampen our spirits. The students had a good time sipping hot chocolate while they waited for the fog to clear up and managed to get a glimpse of what lay beneath and some of the buildings within close proximity.

RIALTO TOWERS TRIVIA
The Observation Deck was opened to the public on July 20 1994. There are 1254 stairs to the Observation Deck. The Rialto soars 253 metres (823 ft).

The Towers stand on 75 huge concrete caissons (legs) attached to rock 20m below the building.
If a kilogram block was dropped from the roof it would take 7.9 seconds to hit the ground at 250kph.
It takes approximately 40 seconds to reach Level 55 in our fast lifts. The lifts travel at 25kph or 7.1 metres per second.

Behind the News
Students in grade 6 this term have thoroughly enjoyed being media moguls. We have been watching BTN on ABC each week to develop an understanding of the current issues in the media locally and internationally. We also get to talk about interesting events, people and places around the world. There is also a website for students to explore: http://www.abc.net.au/news/btn/. Don’t get left behind. Know the news :)

Chess Tutors Wanted!
We are looking at providing more Clubs programs for our students. We hope to have a Chess Club operating soon and are in much need of a volunteer Chess expert. If you love Chess and can teach some strategies please see or leave a message for Mrs. Ozlem Bayram.
Reading Makes You Feel Good (P)
Big Earth little Me (W)
I Do It (D)
Two Though Teddies (N)
One Blue Sock (B)
Jungle Jive (M)
Wendel’s Workshop (R)
Columbia Sneezes (B)
The Way back Home (J)
Michael Recycle (B)
More Pants (A)
The Love You Book (P)
Ben’s Book (N)
Robot’s Pet (G)
Hide And Seek (S)
My Brother (B)
Trickiest Stories (JEN)
Pearlie and the Fairy Queen (HAR)
Laugh Even Louder: Great jokes from Great Aussies! (793.73 LAU)

The Down-to-Earth Guide to Global Warming (363.768 DAV)

Saving Energy (333.791 MOR)

What is an Amphibian? (597.8 TUA)

Rainforests (577.34 VOG)

So You Want To Be Prime Minister? (352.23 BRA)

Australian Spiders and Insects (595.7 CER)

Safari Animals (591.96 SAF)

Dinosaur Combat (567.9 MAT)

Mighty Machines Cars (629.222 GRA)

Australian & World Records 2009 (030 MOR)