Upcoming Events

**Grandparents’ and Special Friends’ Day**

We had an amazing turn out for our special day on 29 July. We even had four generations of one family! Thank you to all the grandparents and friends who encouraged the students by coming along to visit their classrooms and to see their work.

Please let interstate grandparents know that we will be holding our Grandparents’ and Special Friends’ Day on Wednesday 3 August in 2016.

Some grandparents offered to come in on a regular basis to help out in the classrooms. You would be most welcome! Please ensure you have a current Ochre Card and you will need to attend a Valuing Safe Communities workshop when we hold the next sessions at the beginning of 2016.

**Working Bee**

Thank you so much to those who came along to the working bee on Saturday 8 August. We had nine adults and twelve very keen children come along. The car park gardens have all been weeded and most of the car park beds have mulch on them now. One parent has generously donated money for more plants which is much appreciated. We plan to have our next working bees in Terms 2 and 3 next year.

**Book Week: Week 6**

Theme: Book light up our world. Mr Holzknecht has organised some activities in the library for Book Week. Students are encouraged to dress up as a character from a book and take part in the parade on Friday 28 August on the basketball court at 8:30am. Parents are welcome to come along to watch.

**Year 3 Excursion**

Year 3 students have had a busy start to Term 3! In Week 2 they went on an excursion to the Palmerston Shopping Centre to look at different businesses that provide goods and services. The students had to work out which businesses offered Goods and/or Services and were lucky enough to have a private tour through Woolworths and were able to ask the manager lots of questions. They were given a donut and piece of fruit. Students have been working in small groups to create their business for Market Day on Wednesday 26 August which you are all invited to!
Allergy Awareness:
We remind parents that no products containing nuts are to be brought to school. This includes the use of almond milk or cashew milk in home-made products. Please remind your children that they are not to share their food or to eat food that belongs to other students.

Life Education
All students attended the Life Education van in the second week of this term. Visits to see Healthy Harrold are always exciting for the students and the message about a healthy lifestyle is so important to reinforce with the students.

Choir
We thank Tanya Lloyd for her work with the choir students each week. They recently performed at the Darwin Show and at the Grandparents’ Day assembly. Their next performance will be in assembly in Week 10 on Friday 18 September.

Book Fair: Week 7
The students will have the opportunity to browse on Monday and Tuesday (24 and 25 August). The fair will be open for sales at the following times:

- **Tuesday 25 August from 2:30 until 4:30pm**
- **Wednesday from 8:00am until 6:30pm**
- **Thursday 8:00am until 11:00am**

We need parent helpers to make this a success so please let Erich Holzknecht or the front office know if you are able to help out. **Tuesday afternoon is particularly busy, so please consider helping at this time.**

Safety House News
Please note that 40 Sibbald Crescent is no longer available as a safety house. The safety houses in our area are:

- Sacred Heart Primary School
- Palmerston Fire Station
- Woodroffe Primary School
- Woodroffe Child Care Centre
- 9 Shortrede Court
- 13 Lens Court
- 16 Wiesener Court
- 22 Regulus Court
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Our Year 5 students are learning about leadership in their current Unit of Inquiry and are putting it into practice by taking part in an Australia Wide Program called Peer Support. The Year 5 leaders work in groups of two or three and take about 12 students from all year levels across the Junior School. The topic this year is Living Positively. The first session was on ‘Optimism’ and the second lesson was on ‘Having Fun’.

Year 4 Excursion

On Wednesday 5 August, Year 4 went on an excursion to NT News and ABC News. This coincided with our current Unit of Inquiry, How We Express Ourselves. The central idea for this unit is how people create and manipulate messages to target specific audiences. At NT News the students learnt how the paper is printed each week. It was fascinating to learn that the rolls of paper they use have enough paper on them to stretch from Darwin to Katherine and return. The students walked through the editorial rooms and advertising department as well as saw how newspapers in the olden days were made using an old printing press.

After NT News, the students walked up to ABC News. It was here we met Adam Steare, ABC News morning radio presenter. He explained his role as a host and showed us how he controls all his gadgets in the radio room. After that the students were able to see how the nightly news is created. They walked through the department where the journalists are busy finding scoops for the nightly news as well as into the news room itself. It was an interesting experience and all the students really enjoyed themselves.
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Student Celebration
Congratulations to Jemma Gossow who has a position in the NT Tennis team. She competed at the Nationals in Queensland over the holidays and out of 32 girls, she came fifth in the singles and runner up in the doubles. Well done Jemma!

Cubby House
Double Storey Cubby House to give away to a good home! It has a slide on it and is suitable to have a sandpit underneath. Please let Mrs Pokela know if you are interested and she will put you in contact with the owners. They are willing to help with a trailer to deliver it as well.

Disco
Our final disco for the year will be held on Friday 11 September from 6:00pm until 8:00. Please book in the date.

Other News

Community Notices

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House Colours Day
Friday 4 September 2015

Wear your house colours for this special casual dress day!

Cost – one gold coin
All proceeds will go to the College’s service project: Bethany Home, Malaysia

Please remember the College dress regulations, especially that zinc, face paints or hair dyes are not allowed.