



Zest



Social
Intelligence



Self-Control



Curiosity



Optimism



Gratitude



Grit

Leadership Report / Weekly Roundup

WELCOME BACK

Welcome to an action-packed term two.

- On the sporting field we have Cross Country (on many levels), Little Desert Senior Athletics and the Cluster Winter Sports.
- We also have the excitement of NAPLAN !
- National Simultaneous Storytime
- ...and the long awaited stage production "The Mason Files", written by local Rob Koning.



GREAT ROLE MODELS

A big **THANKS** to Gracie Hurlstone and Lachie Staples, our senior school captains, for their excellent effort and participation in the community ANZAC Day activities. They laid the wreath as representatives of the school, read out the Acknowledgement of Country and were involved in the collection and counting of the money. (A big thanks also to Mitch for stepping in at the last minute to help with the collection).



CANTEEN & LUNCH

PARENTS & CARERS WE NEED YOU!

Next week we will be reopening the canteen on Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Students can order their lunch on Mondays & Fridays. The canteen will be open to all students from Prep -12 (with P-6 students ordering milk shakes). Junior meals will now be heated, reheated or cooked over at the canteen on these days. This means that on Tuesday and Thursday junior students will need to bring lunch that needs no preparation. Noodles will NOT be allowed for junior students.



FOR THIS TO WORK EFFECTIVELY WE NEED

PARENTS/CARERS TO PUT THEIR NAMES ON THE ROSTER
(see form at the end of this newsletter)

Calendar Term 2

May

Week 2

- Tue 3rd** P-12 Cross Country
Thu 5th Little Desert Athletics (7-12)

Week 3

- Mon 9th** Little Desert Cross Country (7-12)
Tue 10th 3/5 Writing NAPLAN
Thu 12th 3/5 Reading NAPLAN
7/9 Writing NAPLAN
Fri 13th 3/5 Lang. Conv. NAPLAN
7/9 Reading NAPLAN

Week 4

- Mon 16th** 3/5 Numeracy NAPLAN
7/9 Lang. Conv. NAPLAN
Tue 17th 7/9 Numeracy NAPLAN

Week 5

- Wed 25th** Simultaneous Storytime

Week 6

- Mon 30th** GWR Cross Country (senior)

June

- Wed 1st** SM Winter Sports (junior)

Week 7

- Mon 6th** Production
Tue 7th

Week 8

- Mon 13th** Queen's B'day public hol.

Week 9

- Tue 21st** Careers Expo
Fri 24th End of Term (2.30 finish)



Upcoming Meetings
School Council - Mon 9th May

Leadership Report and Weekly Roundup continued...

BUILDING WORKS - UPDATE #9 2022

There has been a fair bit of action on the Building Works front.

- Greenlight Services completed a hazardous materials audit
- Staff completed a very detailed survey to provide feedback on the use of each space
- Webex Design and Landscape design meetings x 2
- Next week we have a meeting with the Barengi Gadjin (Aboriginal Traditional Owner Group) Land Council and an exciting design meeting where we have our first glimpse at some 3D modelling.



COVID UPDATE

The new COVIDsafe guidelines for Term Two include :

- RAT testing will continue for at least the first four weeks of Term 2.
- Masks are no longer compulsory for staff and Grade 3-6 students (but are still provided for any staff member or student who wants to continue to wear them)
- Close contacts of positive cases no longer need to isolate at home **BUT** must wear masks at school and RAT test 5 out of the next 7 days.



We received a number of air purifiers yesterday. We will install these to ensure that all classrooms and office areas are effectively ventilated during the winter months. They will be set-up in classrooms and office areas during the upcoming week.

Thanks to all students, parents and staff who have continued to support the school in our endeavour to provide the safest possible environment.

THANK YOU

Here is a photo of our new sign at the gate near the Tech wing.

A huge shout out to Emma, Ron & Thomas at T. Ismay & Co. for their outstanding efforts with creating and installing the sign. We are exceedingly lucky to have this service so close to home.



Student Voice, Agency and Leadership (SVAL)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

SRC:
JR SRC:
STUDENT FORUM:
3rd May
FUNDRAISING: Do it for Dolly Day - Term 2



Book Club

Issue 3 orders for Book Club are due back by **Friday May 6th.**

Talk Time

The Talk Time topic for weeks 2 and 3 is **"Share your favourite book or movie character"**

MARC Van Book Cover Competition

Mrs McKenzie would like students to return their book covers to her on the first MARC visit this term, which will be Friday next week (6th May).

GOOD LUCK!

Winners will be announced later in the year once judging has been finalised.



What's been going on around our school?

Showcasing student work

Directions Out

Every morning I wake up at 7.00am
take my time to get ready for school.
Then I walk straight
down the rocky driveway to the bus stop.
At exactly 8.00am
I jump on the giant white and red bus.

About 1km into the journey
we come face to face with the mighty creek
filled with thousands of wise, old trees
that will swallow you
if you dare
to do the wrong thing.
Giant racing trucks
that won't stop if you get in their way.

If you make it out of the creek
you will enter the open paddocks
until you make it to the Albacutya Gypsum pit
filled with huge trucks
excavators and loaders -
you can barely see with all the dust in the air.

If you are lucky enough to get through there,
congratulations.
You made it through to your next stop.
And from there it is a pretty clean run
until you enter town.

That is when you know
you are almost at school
and you start to regret
hopping on the bus in the morning.

By Parker Gould



Study Buddies

From Mrs Leach

In an effort to encourage good study habits in our students, we are offering an opportunity for students in Years 10-12 to stay after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3.00 -4.30 this term.

During this time, students can undertake homework, extra study or take the opportunity to catch up with their teachers for extra support where possible.

It has been great to see some VCE and VCAL students taking the opportunity to stay after school to remain focused on their studies and get work done. So we are encouraging more students to try this and see how it might change their work habits to catch up, keep up or even get ahead with their studies.

Of course, students are able to stay after school on other days if that suits them or their teachers' schedules better. We also understand that this opportunity might not always suit out-of-town students who need to catch a bus home, but we'd like to give it a try ...perhaps some car-pooling might help to get students home afterwards. Footy and Netball season also means that students might like to stay after school prior to going to training in town.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if we can help support your child/ren with their studies in any way. We look forward to some productive Study Buddy Sessions.



P-12 CROSS COUNTRY

When: Tuesday 3rd May, 2022

Where: Rainbow Recreation Reserve

Starting Time: 9.00 am

Uniform/take: – Wear sport top/T.Shirt, shorts/tracksuit pants, warm jacket, hat, water bottle.

All town students need to be dropped off at the Recreation Reserve by 8.45 am, ready for an outdoor form assembly at 9.00am. Bus students will be dropped off directly at the oval.

No phones allowed.

Medal presentations: At the end of all events.

Distances

5/6 years 400 m

7 years 700 m

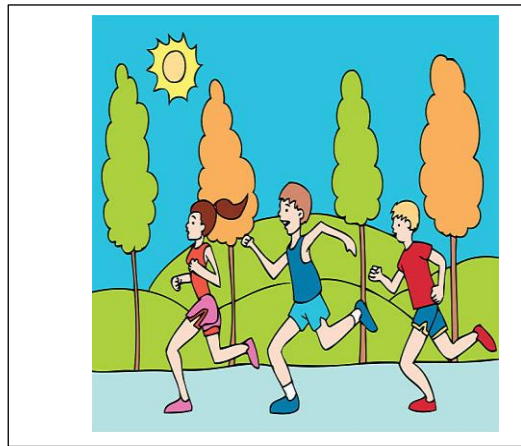
8 years 1 km

9/10 years – 2 km

11-15 years boys and girls - 3 km

16-20 girls – 3 km

16-20 boys – 5 km



Start time: The 16+ boys will start their 5 km around 9.00am, then remaining age groups will start their races as deemed appropriate.

Lunch: SRC are cooking baked potatoes for lunch. Order forms should have been back by now.

Parents are most welcome to come along and barrack.

Any queries, please call the school and ask for Miss Schumann or Mrs Huff.

Regards,

Miss Schumann & Mrs Huff
Cross Country Co-ordinators

Mrs Petschel
Acting Principal

Canteen Arrangements for Term 2

Please read the important information below.

Starting on Monday 2nd May the canteen will be operating on Monday, Wednesday & Fridays. However, at this stage we only have enough parent volunteers for next week, and only 3 people for the following week.

Can you please fill in the form below and return it to the office by Wednesday 4th May so the roster can be drawn up and published in the next week's newsletter.

On Mondays & Fridays, full canteen service including student lunch orders, heating up junior school lunches and serving to students will operate. On Wednesdays there will be no student lunch orders. Junior lunches will be heated and serving to students from the canteen will operate.

Junior students will be required to have what they want heated up in a separate container with their names clearly labelled, these will be taken to the canteen and heated before the start of lunch.

Please note due to change of lunch times, the time for canteen duty has also altered:

Monday & Fridays 11.30am - First person on roster to pick up orders from the bakery and the second person to collect key and money from the office

Wednesdays 12 noon - First person on roster to pick up key and money from the office

If you are unable to work, can you please make your own swaps or contact an emergency worker. \$20 to be paid to emergency worker.

Emergency workers so far - Tammy Bigham 0427820684

Canteen Roster for next week is as follows

Monday 2nd May	T. Bigham / Renee Clugston
Wednesday 4th	Roschelle Clugston / C. Petschel
Friday 6th	T. Tregenza / P. Fisher

Name: _____

Days Available (please circle)

Monday

Wednesday

Friday

OR

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I am not available but can pay an emergency worker to cover my shifts