

## **Week 3 October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2017**

This Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October is World Teacher's Day and I am asking you to join with me as we acknowledge our amazing staff at our community assembly. As Principal of this school I feel very blessed to work with such knowledgeable, professional, hardworking and caring staff. Every day I see the difference they are making in your children's lives as they deliver explicit and targeted teaching in a nurturing and supportive environment, with consistent routines and practices. As a result of this, your children are thriving! So come along to our assembly on Friday and join the fun and celebration. You may like to surprise your child's teacher with a special word or token of appreciation on this special day.

### ***Jump Rope***

This term we will be involved in the Jump Rope for Heart program to improve our students' physical skills and co-ordination, build their fitness and also raise funds for the Heart Foundation. You should have received the information last week but I have attached the notes that went home. This is the link to get started.

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### ***Forest Excursion***

Last Friday's forest excursion was another happy day for our students. Our Tuesday/Thursday Kindergarten groups and our Year 2 and 3 students went last week and next week the last of our students will have this opportunity. The Monday/Wednesday kindergarten students will be heading to the Baldivis Children's Forest with our Year One students next Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October. They will leave for the forest after our special staff community assembly. Please ensure you have paid for your child's excursion and also returned the permission slip, otherwise they will not be able to attend.

### ***Parent Survey***

Thanks to all the parents who have returned our 2017 Parent Survey. Please show your support for our school by completing the survey in a timely manner. It is very short and won't take long. We can't get better if you don't give us some constructive feedback.

<http://bit.ly/BGparentsurvey2017>

### ***Year 6 Transition Day at Baldivis Secondary College***

Mr Batt took our Year 6 students to Baldivis Secondary College today for a full day of transition activities and experiences.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to prepare for the next stage in their education.

### ***Gifted and Talented Programs***

Year 5 parents are reminded that applications for Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs are now open and close on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February. Please refer to the attached documentation.

### ***P and C Meeting News***



The P and C have so much happening. Please get involved. You really can make a big difference. I have attached a newsletter from the P and C with the following information:

- **Buying our foundation year tea towel**
- **Canteen training**
- **Movie Night**
- **Bike Raffle**
- **Helping at the interschool carnival**
- **School banking**

### ***Staff Selection***

We are currently selecting staff for the 2018 school year. This has been a busy time for Mrs Stewart, Mr Batt and I, however we are confident the staff we choose will be exemplary and complement the existing staff.

We need to know how many teachers we need to employ so if you know you are leaving please let us know now and if you have friends and family planning to join us please ask them to give us a call.

### ***School Board Meeting on Tuesday***

Our School Board meets this Tuesday at 7 pm and in this meeting we will look at our financial situation for 2018. Our visiting speaker is our highly valued chaplain Deb Cunningham who will join us to share her work at our school, and show us how her work contributes to our Business Plan and our student targets.

### ***Returned your note about your child's name on the foundation plaque?***

Please return the note as soon as possible as we cannot put your child's name on the plaque without your permission.

See you at our community assembly on Friday. Come along and join the fun and say a big thank you to our staff.

*Jayne*  
***Jayne Ebsworthy***  
***Principal***