NEWSLETTER

Term 3
July 14th, 2016

Exceptional Educational Experiences

DATES TO REMEMBER

Whole school bike ride (subject to weather) Tues 19th July
School Council Meeting – 7pm Tues 19th July
‘Space Night’ (subject to weather) Thur 21st June
Interschool soccer – Wang (selected 4-6’s) Fri 22nd July
Ski Camp (4-6’s) at Falls Creek Wed 27th – Fri 29th July
Somers Camp (selected 5-6’s) Tues 9th – Wed 17th Aug
Cluster Olympics Day @ Moyhu Fri 22nd July
‘Musicaviva performance’ @ Whitfield Mon 12th Sept
End of Term 3 Fri 16th Sept

HOT LUNCHES
Thank you to Melissa M and Suz who made creamy chicken pasta and choc self-saucing pudding last term and Jo, F. and Lissy VB for the Chicken souvlaki and Choc brownie & ice cream. Thank you awesome parents! We all love Hot Lunches.

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HOME READING

Well done to those students that recorded in their Home Readers their great Holiday Reading. This will go well towards them achieving the Premier’s Reading Challenge.

Congratulations 50 nights home reading!
Emilio, Charlotte P

Congratulations 75 nights home reading!
Zoi, Paul, Amilie, Daphne

Congratulations 100 nights home reading!
Mike, Casey, Vera, Paige, Cheniqua, Edan

Congratulations 125 nights home reading!
Emily, Normie, Wira, Xander, Bella, Lachlan

Congratulations 150 nights home reading!
Inanay, Charlotte R, Kalika, Viveka

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SKI CAMP
One great thing about lousy weather is SNOW. Students received information today as well as permission and medical forms. Please return these early next week. Please contact the school if you have any questions regarding the camp or equipment. It is important that students have the right clothing and equipment for this camp. It could be very wintry and blustery (especially on the chairlifts). We will be working with the students to ensure they know what is required for the camp over the next two weeks.

Students can also prepare physically for the camp by doing 5-10 minutes of ski exercises daily (or at least a few times per week). Students had a go at them yesterday and include: Split-Jump-Lunge, Wide leg squat, Side jumps, Jump twists and Squat slowly 1-2-3 explode up. You can watch a YouTube clip on how do these at the address below.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DEGqMLbH9xI

SPACE NIGHT
We have pencilled in a ‘Space Night’ at the school for Thursday 21st July. This is very dependent on weather, as in if it is cloudy we won’t be able to see anything! We will let you know next week. We will try for the next night (Friday 22nd July). Again, if the weather is still not clear we will cancel it altogether 😞

Social Enterprise – Open tomorrow 9am-11am – but will be CLOSED for 2 weeks (soccer & ski camp). Re-opens on Friday 5th Aug.

See article below from the Australian Centre for Rural Entrepreneurship.

Business is booming for ‘Whitty Workers Car Wash & Cafe’

As part of the Social Enterprise in Schools (SEIS) program in the North East, business is booming for the Whitty Workers Car Wash & Café. Students at the Whitfield Primary School are one of eleven schools involved in the pilot program this year and have spent the last few months researching a suitable business idea and social cause that they can support. With the closest car wash over 50km away, students decided a car wash & café would benefit the community and could prove to be a viable business for the area. For 5 weeks now the business has been up and running, with money now in the bank and the profits allowing them to purchase new products for the business. The students themselves are responsible for the business planning and have already been reviewing operations regularly to ensure they improve the quality, efficiency and performance of the business on a regular basis.

Students involved in this program at Whitfield Primary School have demonstrated a number of important learning’s including development of critical thinking & leadership skills, enterprise and employability skills, financial and literacy skills, global citizenship and the traits of being entrepreneurial (Resilience, influencing, creativity, identifying need, self-reflection, communication, confidence, and product development). Through the development of the business plan students have also investigated the ‘ethical purchasing’ of products such as coffee, the importance of supporting local businesses, the diary crisis and environmental impacts of purchases and water usage.

The profits from the Whitty Workers Car Wash & Café will go to supporting ‘LifeStraw’s’ work in Kenya and help provide money needed to provide clean drinking water for communities in Africa.