Dear parents and community,

A big thank you to the parents and students who attended our Fundraising Meeting last Wednesday afternoon. There were some brilliant ideas, and if all come into fruition, the P&C will certainly be busy with fundraising ventures!

The Daily Mercury phoned last week to ask if our school was interested in their current competition with the possibility of winning a set of 10 iPads. Of course we signed up straight away, and now we need your help! We need to collect as many tokens as possible from the Daily Mercury each day. The tokens run for 5 weeks, ending 31st March. Please bring any to the Office if you do collect some. Thank you!

Last week the 6/7 class were lucky enough to engage in a Mosaic workshop with Katt Gottke. Please check out the website to see photos.

BE SAFE! BE RESPECTFUL! BE RESPONSIBLE!
All our school rules come under these behaviour standards. Beginning next week, alternating grades will present a rule on parade each week. This is to act as a reminder for all of us. Congratulations to all students, although you may forget sometimes, you are demonstrating excellence in responsible behaviour!
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Mrs Parkes

P & C MEETING

P & C Meeting will be held this Thursday at 4:00pm. Please come along with your ideas and support our wonderful committee. We have lots installed for 2014.

MEET & GREET

A social gathering will be held straight after the P&C Meeting on Thursday. Please bring a plate to share and BYO drinks. Fun evening for a chat and for the children to run around. Starts at 6pm.

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Week 4 – Student of the Week – Liam
“For the smile and happiness you bring to the classroom each day”

Week 5 – Student of the Week – Bridget
“For amazing work ethic and effort in all things classroom”
Mastered the first 100 sight words
Mastered the pink sight words

Amelia – Achieving level 4 in reading
Mastered the golden words and red sight words
Anthony
- Mastered the golden, red and blue sight words

Alannah
- Mastered the first 100 sight words
- Mastered the pink and purple sight words

Jasmine
- Congratulations — Pen Licence
Grip Leadership Conference

Last Tuesday Liam, Jasmine, Ethan and I all went to the Grip Leadership Conference. We learnt the true meaning of being a leader. Being a leader isn’t someone who wears a badge, a leader is someone who guides the way. A leader is a HERO, a Helper, Encourager, Role Model and an Organiser. I had to go up on stage during the conference and I had to be a part of a play which shows the difference of being a Strawberry leader and a Watermelon leader. A Strawberry leader means that a leader is the same on the inside and the outside. For example a Strawberry leader will not just boss there followers around but will also do the things they tell people to do. A Watermelon leader means that a leader is not the same on the inside and the outside. For example a Watermelon leader will tell their followers not to do something and then will go ahead and do what they told someone not to do. Liam also got up on stage and shared his answer to the audience. I am very grateful that I was able to experience the Grip Leadership Conference as I learnt a lot.

By Abbey Deguara
Grip leadership day

On the 19/02/14 my friends Liam, Abbey, Jasmine and I went to a GRIP leadership conference in town at the MECC. We learnt many things and I am going to tell you a few. We were told to “lead like strawberries not watermelons”, which means that we should be the same on the outside as we are on the inside.

We also learnt how to have BERRY good integrity in an acronym-

B-be sure to do the right thing
E-encourage others
R-refuse to lie
R-respond to wrong
Y-you overcome criticism

Another thing we were told was how to be a good schoolyard superhero

H-helper
E-encourager
R-role model
O-organiser

All of this was interesting information. We even learnt about the 5 ps to bring ideas to life-

P-present
P-permission
P-plan
P-prepare
P-prioritise

That is everything I learnt on grip leadership day I enjoyed it all. I know that it is going to help me be a great school leader.

By Ethan