Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Community Members,

We’re now past the halfway point of the term and we are, as always, having plenty of fun (and learning a lot too!)

A very big congratulations to Cooper who sat the NAPLAN test last week with outstanding concentration and determination. He took it all in his stride and I was very proud to see him working so hard. Well done Cooper!

Mr David Dyall (Mr D) has visited us in the classroom a few times in the past couple of weeks to meet the students and see how our classroom operates. As a retired principal, he has a wealth of knowledge and also has a great understanding of how small schools operate, he was in fact the principal at Pinnacle State School for 18 years! Mr D will be relieving me on days that I am required to attend meetings and conferences. He will also be teaching while I am on 2 weeks Long Service Leave next term. I believe the students are quite enjoying having a male teacher in the room, (after all, some students have only ever had female teachers).
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Coming up in the next few weeks are quite a few excursions and visitors. A big thank you for returning permission notes on time as this assists in organisation. Please ensure you have noted down the dates on your calendar.

*Under 8s Day at Eton State School—Tuesday 24th May
*Year 3/4 students attending Homebush SS for Chess Workshop—Tuesday 31st May—10-11:30am)
*Fire Education visit—Tuesday 31st May (2:00-2:30pm)

Last Friday was P&C Day. I would like to say a very big thank you to ALL our parents for the amazing support, encouragement and hard work you display each week. From helping in the classroom, to working bees on weekends, the organisation of fundraisers and providing delicious tuckshop, we truly appreciate all that you do!

I would like to make a special mention and congratulations for the successful grant application. Huge thanks to Stuart and Tenille for doing the background work and writing the application, the school is going to look even better with a shiny new fence!

Lastly, I would like to pass on feedback that I have received from quite a few visitors in the past few weeks. The comment “this school has a really nice feel to it” has been heard quite a few times. I’m extremely proud of our little school and it’s so rewarding to witness the great team work displayed by staff and parents. So on that note, I will leave you with a quote

“Unity is strength...when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.”

Geraldine Parkes

Tuckshop

Lasagne $2.50
Salad roll (Ham or chicken) $2.50
Large sausage roll $2.50
Milk Popper $2.00
Juice Popper $2.50
Juice Cup $1.00

Next Tuckshop will be Friday, 27th May.
**Student of the week**

**COOPER**
For the outstanding effort and determination demonstrated during NAPLAN.

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**P & C News**

I’m very excited to say that our application for the Gaming Community Benefit Fund Grant has been approved! We will receive $33,951.50 which will be spent on a new front fence and gate, repairs to the oval fence, outdoor Aluminium seating and 200m³ of sand to top dress the oval. Work will start once all the paper work is in place... can’t wait!!

The next P&C meeting has been changed to the 8th of June at 1.30pm. Paula Bell will be giving us a talk on Asbestos. All welcome!

Many thanks
Tenille

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**Coffeelicious 2U**

On Wednesday 1st June, students can purchase a drink from the coffee van which will visit our school at midday.

S LUSHIE OR FRAPPE $3.00

*Please place money in an envelope with your child’s name and order on the front. Bring along to school that day.*

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**Attendance Rate**

Our attendance rate is currently **95.3%**.

Our target is **95%**.