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Isaac Wond	3/4M	Tamesis De Zilva	3/4M
Ninous Salim	5/6N	Rita Alnaqash	5/6N
Nahren Mamlook	5/6N	Telma Dikran	5/6N
Daniel Chaterzarine	5/6N		

Just a friendly reminder...

REMINDER for Bookpacks/Mathletics 2019

Just a reminder that payments are due now for K to Year 6 bookpacks (\$35) and Mathletics (\$5).

These are required items for your child's learning programs.

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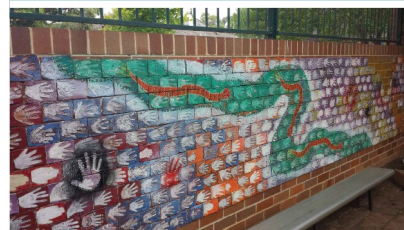
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Issue 2

18th February 2019

Dear parents/ guardians,

Monday Assemblies

Thank you for your flexibility regarding the change of time for Monday assemblies. Next week, I will ask for your feedback on this change, via a survey. I will also survey teachers and students to see if the change is having the desired effect, which is to increase optimum morning learning time. I ask parents to continue to follow the routines in place for the safe dismissal of students from the cola.

Communication

Next week, parents and carers will be given the opportunity to have their say on how we communicate between home and school. A survey will be distributed regarding newsletters, notification of upcoming events, reminders and permission notes. Please complete the survey, indicating your preferred method of communication for all of these things, by **Tuesday 4 March**. A note will be sent home with a link to the survey for parents to complete online. Alternatively, if parents cannot access the online survey, a paper version will be attached to the note. All paper surveys need to be returned to the office. I will communicate the results of the survey in a future newsletter.

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to all of the families who attended the various Meet the Teacher sessions last week. It is encouraging to see parents and carers interested in student learning and working in partnership with teachers. Information sheets from the meetings were handed out to students in class, for families who were unable to attend. If you did not receive this information sheet, ask your child/ren to collect one from the teacher/s.

Swimming Carnival

The annual swimming carnival will be held on **Tuesday 26 February** for grades 2-6. Any student turning 8 years of age or older this year can compete in races. It is essential that students return their money and permission note by the due date. No notes or money can be accepted after the cut-off date. Of equal importance is the blue note, which outlines your child/ren's swimming capability. There are three options to choose from. Please complete this blue note and return it with the permission note and money.

The swimming carnival is one of the highlights of the year. It is particularly fun as all students are able to at least participate in the novelty activities. There are fabulous water facilities at the swimming centre for the students to enjoy, closely supervised by our staff. Parents are welcome to attend the day, however, students will need to remain in the designated area under teacher supervision.

Leadership Induction Ceremony

The annual Leadership Induction Ceremony is on **Tuesday 19 February** in the school hall 2-3pm. All students in grades 2-6 will attend this assembly. As this is one of our more formal assemblies, I ask that students ensure they are dressed in their finest uniform, including black shoes. Parents are welcome to attend this ceremony.

Have a wonderful fortnight.

Regards

Jodi Harris
Relieving Principal

Safe, Responsible, Respectful Learners



SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES

Police are urging parents and motorists to slow down in school zones.

Speed limits and pick up and drop off parking rules exist to keep children, parents and caregivers safe. These rules also apply to prevent traffic jams around school.

Parents are often reversing near the school. Please be careful of our children when reversing.

TRAFFIC INFRINGEMENTS

- ⇒ No stopping maximum penalty \$337 + 2 demerit points
- ⇒ No parking \$187 + 2 demerit points
- ⇒ Bus Zone \$337 + 2 demerit points
- ⇒ STOP on or near children’s or pedestrian crossing (within 20m on approaching and 10m on departure side of crossing) \$448 + 2 demerit points.

ROAD SAFETY

- ⇒ Let your children off in specified drop off/pick up zones, or on the side of the road. Never stop in the middle of the road to let your children out of the car.
- ⇒ Never let your children cross the road on their own, always meet your children at the school entrance. Hold the hand of your younger children and teach them how to cross the road safely.
- ⇒ Never call out to your child from the other side of the road as your child may run across the road to you without looking for oncoming cars.
- ⇒ Always walk your child across the road and ensure you use the pedestrian crossing.
- ⇒ Try to leave home early to avoid arriving at school at the busy peak hour when traffic is heavy.
- ⇒ Park a safe distance from all crossings to enable pedestrians to see oncoming traffic.
- ⇒ Do not double park as this can block the view of drivers and pedestrians. Double parking can also create traffic jams and accidents.
- ⇒ Always obey the directions of all traffic/carpark signs. These signs are to make the flow of traffic as smooth as possible and to keep everyone safe.



SCHOOL DATES TO REMEMBER

Tue 19 February 2019	-	Student Leader Induction Ceremony in hall - 2pm
Wed 20 February 2019	-	AMEP Tafe in Community room
Thu 21 February 2019	-	AMEP Tafe in Community room
Fri 22 February 2019	-	AMEP Tafe in Community room
Fri 22 February 2019	-	Parent Cafe in School hall at 9am to 10am
Fri 22 February 2019	-	Summer PSSA
Mon 25 February 2019	-	Kindergarten Vision Screening Test in hall
Tue 26 February 2019	-	SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Wed 27 February 2019	-	AMEP TAFE
Thu 28 February 2019	-	AMEP TAFE
Fri 1 March 2019	-	AMEP TAFE
Fri 1 March 2019	-	Parent Cafe in School hall at 9am to 10am
Fri 1 March 2019	-	Summer PSSA



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PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FOR TEACHERS

Mon 18 February 2019	-	New Teacher Induction Meeting
Mon 18 February 2019	-	PBL Team Meeting
Tue 19 February 2019	-	Teacher training on PLASP
Wed 20 February 2019	-	Wkt training
Wed 20 February 2019	-	Grammar training
Thu 28 February 2019	-	Paws for Trauma