In the Playground: Markers’ Up at lunchtime.

RAISING THE NEXT GENERATION

It is always reflective to ponder the times we live in, compared to previous generations. Communication and technology has escalated in recent years—10 years ago, mobile phones were still fairly new! Our children are facing on-line challenges that were unheard of in previous generations. It is so important that they realize that the spoken word and the written word can never be taken back. Whatever is said or written as a slight or slander against another person cannot be retracted easily. It is everyone’s responsibility to be wise when using technology or avoiding it until having a level of maturity that allows thoughtful reflection before making any posts that may have serious consequences.

In the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy God speaks of the role of parents in raising the next generation. It is a 24/7 challenge as well as a lifelong privilege to nurture and to disciple the next generation in amongst the world’s lures and temptations. “....The Lord our God is One Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. And these words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise”.

Deut 6: 4—7

Phil Chapman

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the LYNE MANNING McCoy and McKay families.

TERM DATES FOR 2016

Term 3: Mon 11 July - Fri 16 Sept (10 weeks)
Term 4: Mon 3 Oct - Thurs 8 Dec (10 weeks)

South Pacific Student Convention for secondary students will run from Saturday 10 - Friday 16 December.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 5:
Tues 9 Aug Yr 5/6 AFL 9’s
Thurs 11 Aug Yr 3/4 AFL 9’s

WEEK 6:
Tues 16—Fri 19 Aug Search and Rescue Camp at Cave Hill near Ballarat for Yr 7—10 students.

WEEK 8:
Mon 29 Aug—Fri 2 Sept Work Experience Placements for Year 10 students for one week
Fri 2 Sept Fathers’ Day Stall

WEEK 9:
Tues 6 Sept Year 5/6 Land Care Day

WEEK 10:
Mon 12 Sept HR Day/End of Term Trips
Mon 12—Tues 13 Sept Year 3 & 4 class overnight trip. More information in due course.
Wed 14 Sept Mukti Mission Day (India) with visiting speaker and International Lunch.

Thurs 15 Sept All day Parent/Teacher Interviews (secondary students to attend with parents please)
Fri 16 Sept Last Day of Term 3
THIS WEEK’S PUZZLE
This week Brent “Boomer” Harvey (North Melbourne) played his 427th AFL Senior Game, the new record-holder for most games played. Who are the other players with 400 or more games played?

LAST WEEK’S PUZZLE
1. Bass Strait was named after which famous explorer? George Bass
2. Who was Bass’ travelling explorer companion? Matthew Flinders
3. When Australia converted to decimal currency on 14 February 1966, which coin was replaced by the 5-cent piece? Sixpence
4. Deoxyribonucleic acid is better known by what name? DNA
5. Which vegetable is the main ingredient of coleslaw? Cabbage

SECONDARY SPORT
Tomorrow will be the last week of a 4-week block of Table Tennis at the Camp Reserve Pavilion. Last week was the Girls Doubles Competition with the following medal winners:-
Gold: Erin Lyne
Silver: Jasmine O’Connell
Bronze: Susy Lacey

The Boys Singles Competition produced the following results:-
Gold: Callum MacKinnon-Allen
Silver: Oscar Thorpe
Bronze: Johnathan Lacey just pipped Cohen Donnan for the medal.
Could students please ensure they have their correct sports uniform packed ready for tomorrow, as we do expect all students to change into their sports clothes for sport. Thank you.

AFL 9’s
Grade 5/6 students will participate in the District Schools AFL 9’s competition on Tuesday August 9th at Wesley Hill. Grade 3/4 children have their turn on Thursday 11th. We have been practising during our PE classes and Mr Ricky Coburn will be taking a special session for each class this Monday afternoon, after it was so wet last Monday!
Teams and times for the competition are yet to be finalised.

PARTNER A CLASS INITIATIVE WITH CBA
Commonwealth Bank’s Mr Andrew Roberts, took the Year 9 and 10 students through the introduction of an intensive program on Monday this week. Their project is to work in pairs to design a Presentation on the History and Identity of the CBA. The focus is in the presentation of their report, to build confidence and organizational skills as future leaders.

Summer Uniforms
We do need to hear from families who require new summer uniforms for their students. Please check out current summer uniforms and let Mrs Revell know what you will require please in the next couple of weeks.

SOUTH PACIFIC STUDENT CONVENTION
Letters were sent out to all secondary families last Thursday asking for commitments to be given with regard to students attending Student Convention at Phillip Island from Sat 10 Dec—Fri 16 Dec later this year.
We do need to have your return slips back tomorrow please so that booking arrangements can be made. Thank you.

EMAILING THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
We are sending home the Newsletter by email today to all families as well as hard copies as normal.
If you do not receive the Newsletter by email, or you can’t open it, please let us know.

Homework for Monday’s class: Complete the outline for their presentation.