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Education

Upcoming Events.....

2017

Term 2

Week 8

Fri 16 June
Preschool
Dance Kids

Week 9

Tue 20 June
Preschool
Dance Kids

Thur 22 June
SRC
Fundraiser

Fri 23 June
Preschool
Dance Kids

Mid year
Reports - Sent
home

Week 10

26 - 30 June
Parent/Teacher
Interviews

Tue 27 June
Preschool
Dance Kids

Wed 28 June
Whole School
Assembly -
Hosted by year
1/2

Fri 30 June
Canteen
Closed
(Sausage
sizzle only)

Preschool
Dance Kids

Last day Term
2

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TERM 2 WEEK 8

15 JUNE 2017

Deputy Principal's Message...

Dear Parents/Carers

It is hard to believe that it is week eight already! Our teaching staff have been very busy finalising moderation and collating students mid-term reports. These reports will be sent home with every student on Friday of week nine. The students in kindergarten to year two will also bring home a portfolio of their work for semester one. Our year three to six students will have a digital portfolio that they will provide parents and carers access to. The students can access their digital portfolios through their Google log in or via the digital backpack link on our school webpage. The digital portfolios are a continuous piece of work that parents and carers can view from any time after week nine of this term. Please take the time to talk through your child's report and portfolio with them. Highlight the successes and set learning goals for second semester.

In week ten of this term parents and carers are invited to attend a parent/teacher interview to discuss your child's progress. These interviews enable you to view your child's progress and obtain feedback from the class teacher. It also enables collaboration between home and school in establishing clear learning goals for your child for the second half of the year. If you haven't yet made an appointment with your child's teacher, please take the time to make contact with them and set up an interview time.

At the present moment we are noticing a lot of parents and carers entering the teaching units as early as 2:15pm. This can and does interrupt student learning time as their focus is diverted to who is standing in the centre area and at times the conversations that are taking place. Teaching staff would appreciate it if all parents and carers could remain outside the units until the 3:00pm bell so as not to disturb the learning opportunities for our students. Students will exit each unit through the central doors at 3:00pm. Please take the opportunity to sit in our beautiful courtyards outside each unit, connect with other parents and wait for your child to emerge from their learning area.

Last Friday was a fantastic evening of dancing for all our students and staff. We saw some interesting pyjamas and dance moves throughout the night. I think the highlight was Ms Bruce leading the junior school disco with the YMCA moves! The behaviour of all of our students was amazing and we thank our school P&C and canteen staff for organising these events for our students. A huge thank you to the parents and carers who gave up their Friday night to help run the disco and to our staff who came along to support our students and help with the supervision. A great night was had by all.

Congratulations to our year five band who attended their first combined band rehearsal last week. Thank you to Ms Shaughnessy who accompanied our students. They demonstrated excellence in their behaviour and in the quality of their musical performance. Well done! The weather is getting colder and colder and we would like to remind all parents and carers to label their child's jackets, beanies, gloves and jumpers so that they can be returned quickly when misplaced.

Thank you to the year 3/4 team for hosting our school assembly this week.

Mrs Allen

Education Directorate News...



Two Directorate policies that may be of interest to families/carers are:-

The Complaints Policy

http://www.floreyps.act.edu.au/our_school/policies_and_procedures

Responding to student accidents/incidents/support/reporting and insurance arrangement policy

http://www.education.act.gov.au/publications_and_policies/corporate-policies/wellbeing/accidents-and-incidents/responding-to-student-accident-incidents-support-reporting-and-insurance-arrangements-policy

Preschool News...

The preschoolers have had a wonderful term two! We have started our five week DanceKids Program where the children are learning all about Honey Bees. Through music and movement the children explore these fascinating insects and learn about their anatomy, their colony, the honey making process and the process of cross-pollination of plants.



We celebrated Reconciliation Day by reading a range of stories, exploring different art techniques used and making damper to cook and eat in class. It was a wonderful experience for all involved.

Thank you!

To preschool families for their support with the raffle this term. Over \$400 was raised and 10 hampers created! The money raised through the raffle has been used to subsidise the Dance Kids program that commenced in Week 6.

Thank you to the families that have returned their chocolate fundraiser boxes and money. These boxes are now due to be returned. If you currently have a chocolate box could you please return them, including any unsold chocolates to your child's Preschool teacher by the end of Week 9.

Kidd and Neumann Cottage News...

Year 1/2 have been working hard this term studying the habitats of animals, and the lifecycle of different insects. We have been looking after mealworms in our classrooms and observing the changes they go through as part of their lifecycle. We are now eagerly waiting for their final transformation. We were lucky enough to have two scientists from ANU come in and talk about the lifecycle of different insects and show us some live crickets and giant burrowing cockroaches! In Reader's Workshop we have been learning to make connections in our reading to help us understand new books. We have used our prior knowledge to make self-connections, used other books to make text-to-text connections and will start to make text-to-world connections later in the term.

1/2 have also been busy learning about fractions in mathematics. We have been cutting shapes into equal parts and dividing collections of objects into equal amounts. We have been looking at halves, quarters and eighths. We are now moving into our fractions IExCel cycle to further improve our understanding.



SRC News...

On **Thursday 22 June**, the SRC are holding a, "Swap Uniform Day", teachers will come dressed up as students and the students can come dressed up as their favourite teacher or a teacher from the school.

Gold coin donation to participate, all proceeds will go to the RSPCA.



Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart

This year Florey Primary School will again be participating in the Heart Foundations 'Jump Rope for Heart'. A pamphlet will be sent home this week for students to collect donations, every bit counts. Please return any collections to school by **Friday 8 September**. There is also a website on the form where you can create your own fundraising collection page. This was a very successful tool to use last year. On **Friday the 8 September**, the school will be holding a skip off day where students will participate in a variety of skipping activities that promote positive physical activity as a part of looking after our hearts. The day will be split up into sections and each age group will get a timeslot to learn and perform in a variety of skipping rotations. All money is to be returned to the front office, the funds raised by the school will help support life saving research and

Snack Shack News...

Save Time! Order Online! - www.flexischools.com.au

We are open 5 days a week



Wow! What an amazing night at the Pyjama Party disco last Friday! Thank you to everyone in the Florey Primary School community who got into the spirit of the night wearing an awesome variety of pyjamas and onesies. It was great to see you all dance the night away with exceptional behaviour and smiles on your faces. Thank you also to all the people who volunteered their time on the night and in the lead-up to the disco. A very big thank you to the teachers that gave up their time to help with supervision during report writing time. The kids' behaviour was a credit to you all. We have an amazing school community and we feel honoured to be a part of it. We could not have done it without you all.

Volunteers – Term 3

During the holidays Lisa will be working on the roster of parent volunteers for Term 3. She will contact everybody with their shifts, especially those who are rostered on for Week 1. If you would like to volunteer in the canteen in Term 3 we would love to hear from you. Please see Lisa in the canteen or contact her via email (canteenfps@gmail.com) or phone (62075768).

The end of term sausage sizzle will be held on Friday 30 June 2017. Notes for this were sent home with your child yesterday and will also be attached to this week's newsletter. No spare copies will be available at the school.

Parent Roster Term 2

WEEK 9

19/06/2017 to 23/06/2017

Monday 19/06/2017

Tuesday 20/06/2017

AM – Shalini

Wednesday 21/06/2017

AM – Sue Mc

PM – Sarah C

Thursday 22/06/2017

AM – Kylie

PM – Sam

Friday 23/06/2017

AM – Deanna M

Parent Roster Term 2

WEEK 10

26/06/2017 to 30/06/2017

Monday 26/06/2017

Tuesday 27/06/2017

AM – Kim B

Wednesday 28/06/2017

PM – Tania H-S

Thursday 29/06/2017

PM – Deanna M

Friday 30/06/2017

CANTEEN CLOSED – Sausage Sizzle

Student News...

Congratulations to Brodie from 5/6AV who was selected in the Belconnen School Soccer team. His team will play in the 12 years & under ACT Championships on Wednesday 21st June and we wish him and his team the best of luck.



Another Chance Op Shop - Scullin Shops

Are hosting an End of Financial Year sale from **Monday 19 – Friday 30 June 2017**
50% off the entire store (excluding books and cards).

Shop early for some great bargains

Includes all clothing, shoes and bags, kitchenware, linen (including blankets and flannelette sheets), toys, jewels and more.

Open 10am – 4:30pm weekdays and 10am-1pm Saturday.

Like our Facebook page for regular updates.

Another Chance is a project of Mosaic Baptist Church – in the community, for the community.

Australian
of the Year
Awards

Be a great Australian and nominate someone for the Australian of the Year Awards

Australianoftheyear.org.au

#BeGreatandNominate

Nominations close 6 August 2017



RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS AT

WANNIASSA AND HARRISON!

Elementz Rhythmic gymnastics is happy to offer recreational and competitive Rhythmic Gymnastics programs for children 2yrs and older.

Elementz prides itself in offering high-quality, dynamic programs that fuse the fundamentals of dance and gymnastics with ropes, hoops, balls, clubs and ribbons. Rhythmic Gymnastics is our passion and we firmly believe it promotes flexibility, strength, coordination and body awareness, working independently and in teams, self-discipline, fun and friendship.

Classes are on every day!

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Spaces are limited so please get in touch!

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Kippax Kids

Holiday Happenings

for Primary aged children

presented at

Kippax Uniting Community Centre

Hardwick Cres, Holt (opp Kippax Fair)

10 am - 2 pm

Thursday July 6th & 13th 2017

Different craft, games, stories and activities

each day



Cost: \$5 per child, \$10 for two or more in a family (covers craft, morning tea and drinks).

BYO lunch and hat.

Bookings essential - 6254 1733

An activity of Kippax Uniting Church

