



# Primbee Public School

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE – Week 8, Term 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of our 2017 school year is rapidly coming to an end and our school has been busy preparing for our school Presentation Day which will take place at Five Islands College next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. We are all looking forward to this special day of celebration. More information about canteen requirements will be sent home today and an agenda for our Presentation Assembly is listed below:

### Assembly Agenda

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| 9:15am  | Welcome and class awards   |
| 11:00am | Recess   |
| 11:30am | Special awards and medals.<br>Year 6 certificates and gifts presented.                       |
| 12:30pm | Lunch  |
| 1:00pm  | Concert and raffle draw.   |
| 2.30pm  | We must be on the buses to go back to school at 2.30pm                                       |
| 5:30pm  | Year 6 Farewell Dinner <b>(photos at 5pm)</b>  |
| 6:30pm  | The rest of the school is invited to the disco <b>(\$2 per student, payable at the door)</b> |
| 8:30pm  | Disco will end promptly  |

**Staffing News** - Yesterday Mrs Erwin accepted a new teaching position as an Out Of Home Care Teacher for the Highlands and Shoalhaven. This is wonderful news for Mrs Erwin as she is passionate about pursuing this new career path. But it is sad news for Primbee. Mrs Erwin has been a dedicated and a valued member of our Primbee School teaching staff and wider Primbee Community for many years. I would like to thank Mrs Erwin on behalf of the Primbee Public School community and wish her success and happiness in the future.

**Planning for 2018** - We are currently organising our classes and teachers for 2018. At this stage our numbers are indicating that we will have 6 classes with anticipated enrolments of 133 students. Our student numbers are currently indicating that we will have the following class structures:

Kindergarten  
Kindergarten/Year One  
Year 1 /2  
Year 2/ 3  
Year 4  
Year 5 /6

We are hoping to notify you of who the class teachers for 2018 will be by the end of the school year.

**Student Leaders for 2018** - Yesterday we held speeches and elections for the positions of Captains and Vice Captains. We had 11 students nominate and they all delivered very impressive speeches. The captains and Vice Captains for 2018 will be announced at our Presentation Day Assembly. We don't send notes to parents.

**End of Year Reward Activities** - Mrs Burden and Mrs Connell have organised our end of year reward activities for our students. Notes have been sent home and I urge you to send in signed permission notes and payments for these fun activities as soon as possible.

**Combined Christmas Scripture Service** - Yesterday our Scripture teachers and students participated in a combined Christmas Service. I would like to thank our Scripture volunteers who have been providing these lessons for our students each and every Thursday throughout the year.

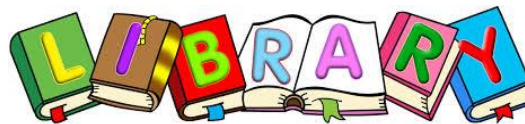
**Semester 2 Reports** - Our teachers have been very busy over the last few weeks writing the Semester 2 reports. I have personally read each and every one of them and I am very proud of the progress made by all our students. As always, parents and carers are welcome to book an interview time to discuss their child's progress through the school office.

**Swim School** - Mrs Erwin and Mr Duff have been supervising students travelling to and from Berkeley pool. This activity involves a considerable amount of organisation by students, parents and teachers to run smoothly. I thank you all for making sure that your child has been coming to school well prepared and organised for the swim scheme.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

**Lucia Gargaro**

## LIBRARY



Students that have borrowed books, could they be returned next Tuesday please.

There will be no further borrowing until 2018.

## P & C NEWS

The uniform shop is open every 2nd Friday from 2.30pm - 3pm. Uniform order forms can be obtained from outside the office or on the website. Direct credit payments are preferred to the P&C account on the form.



There will be a 'Red Food Day' on 14<sup>th</sup> December. You can order 2 pieces of Pizza and a Slushy for \$4.



## WHAT'S ON.....WHEN?

### Term 4 – Upcoming Events

Monday 4 December	Swim School (week 2)
Tuesday 5 December	Swim School (week 2)
Tuesday 5 December	Year 7-2018 Orientation Day
Wednesday 6 December	Swim School (week 2)
Thursday 7 December	Presentation Day – 9:15am Five Islands Secondary College
Friday 8 December	Swim School (week 2)
Tuesday 12 December	K – 4 Hoyts Movies
Tuesday 12 December	Year 5/6 Jamberoo
<b>Friday 15 December</b>	<b>END TERM 4 – 2017</b>

### Term – 2018

Monday 29 January	Staff return
Tuesday 30 January	Year 1-6 return
Wednesday 31 January	Kindergarten Best Start
Thursday 1 February	Kindergarten Best Start
Friday 2 February	Kindergarten Best Start
Monday 5 February	Kindergarten commence.
Thursday 14 March	Selective High School Placement Test (Smith's Hill)

Keep an eye out for our new online payment system the P & C will be bringing out for canteen and uniform orders. It is called 'school 24'. We are working towards having it functioning before the end of the year!

Below is a list of proposed dates for possible 2018 events. Please note them on your calendar and keep in mind we always need extra volunteers:

- Working bee – BBQ - new kindy parents invited for meet and greet 10<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Movies under the stars – 16<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Colour run – 13<sup>th</sup> April 2pm start
- Mini bingo in school event for kids in July. Date to be set in the new year.
- Bingo 10<sup>th</sup> August (2<sup>nd</sup> choice 3<sup>rd</sup> August)
- Fete – 16<sup>th</sup> Nov 4-8pm (2<sup>nd</sup> choice 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov)
- Trivia – will be discussed as an option in the New Year.
- Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser - throughout the year on a date to be provided by Bunnings each term.

Thanks Bec

# The Super Nova

The “material” girls and boys of Kindergarten have been getting crafty, stage three learn about Volta and unravel the mystery of electricity generation, and our garden has some new additions!



Students from KB continue their investigation of the uses of materials. Provided with a range of craft materials, students were given the opportunity to make their “own creation”, thinking about which materials would suit their purpose. It was exciting to see that students could readily identify materials that were of a specific use that other materials just couldn’t perform – namely plasticine. Makini decided the pipe cleaners would make fabulous bracelets and necklaces, while Nate used the plasticine as a binder to ‘glue’ his pieces together.

***I think even Nate was unsure of what he had constructed. Surely that giant, silver antenna could pick up signals from distant planets, Nate!***



***Jack’s plastic jet-fighter seems to be caught in an intergalactic-space tentacle! Could the jet be carrying a top-secret green payload destined to reach the Prime Minister?***



In the stage 3 science classroom, students have been getting more familiar with Alessandro Volta through an exploration of a comic text. Students are continuing to work through a biographical timeline of Volta’s life and his contributions to science.

Putting some of our knowledge into context, students learned about electricity generation from coal.

What a controversial topic! Ashton made a very interesting point – “Just why aren’t we collecting and storing more solar energy?”

We touched on the interests of coal mining companies and the taxes they pay to the government – but what can Australian citizens do? Partition the government, of course! Writing letters to your local parliamentary representative is an important way to have your concerns heard.

In the last column, I talked about how we could protect some of our capsicums in our garden from the hot afternoon sun. Well, students got to work during Gardening Club and quickly made some garden bed adjustments before planting twelve corn seeds. Most have germinated and are coming along beautifully. Fingers crossed the snails keep their distance!

Mr. Morphew

## 2018 STUDENT LEADER NOMINATIONS & SPEECHES



## COMBINED CHRISTMAS SCRIPTURE SERVICE



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## Presentation Day Canteen

This Thursday our Presentation Day the canteen facilities at FISC will be open for parents to use.

Children will need to bring their own recess and lunch on the day. Children are not to use the canteen area at all. This is for the safety of the children and teachers will not be able to supervise the area.

Parent are able to buy food for their children but the FISC canteen isn't cheap this canteen is fundamentally used for adult students not young children.

Please make sure your children have enough food to last them the day with plenty of water.

Thank you looking forward to seeing you all

Presentation Committee