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Educating today's Minds for Tomorrow's Challenges

Wednesday 22nd March 2017 Week 8/9

Dates to Remember

Term 1

March 2017

Mar. 21 Book Club Due Back
Mar. 31 Last day of Term 1 – Early Dismissal 1:30pm

April 2017

Apr. 17 Easter Monday **Public Holiday**
Apr. 18 Term 2 begins
Apr. 25 Anzac Day **Public Holiday**

Camps Excursions and Sports Fund

Please return forms to school asap to process. A copy of your current Card will be required with the application form.

Principal's Message

Curriculum Day

On Monday Michelle and I attended a professional development in-service in Swan Hill. Around 100 teachers attended the PD from the Swan Hill area. It gave us many ideas to enhance our Writing program at Lake Charm.

Tennis

Each Thursday afternoon the students will be receiving tennis coaching as part of an Australian Government Sporting Schools Grant that we have received. The Sporting Schools program aims to increase participation in Sport. On Tuesday, we received our Tennis coaching equipment from Tennis Victoria. The equipment includes tennis racquets, tennis balls and mini nets. We are really grateful and excited to be able to access this funding.

Swimming

Our swimming program culminated in the Kerang Central, Murrabit and Lake Charm swimming sports on Friday. All the students had a great day and came back to school with lots of ribbons and smiles. It was great to join with Murrabit Primary to provide a quality swimming and water safety program for our students.

ANZAC Presentation from the war Memorial in Melbourne.

On Wednesday, the students were given a hands on presentation about World War One. I am sure that this presentation gave them a much clearer insight into the life of a soldier or nurse involved in the conflict.

Busy times

This time of the year is a very busy time for Principals in small schools. There seems to be a large number of Principal meetings as well as a very heavy workload of tasks to be completed. Over the next two weeks, I will be writing up the School Annual Report, the Self-evaluation for the School Review, and will be completing my Performance Plan.



Lunch Orders

Lunch orders on Wednesdays this term.

What's happening in the classroom?

Over the remainder of this term, the senior students will be using the newspaper as our main reading source. As well as studying Ancient Civilisations through the Herald Sun daily features, we are also using articles from the paper to enrich our reading and writing. On Tuesday, we read two separate articles about cats. One article was positive and the other one was negative. This was the impetus for lots of discussion, persuasive writing, and further research, including finding interesting facts. Did you know that scientists estimate that there are 500'000'000 domestic cats in the world? In addition, did you know that in Australia of the 29 mammals that have become extinct in the last 200 years, cats played a major part in 28 of those extinctions?

On most weeks, the students read online news articles from the Herald Sun's Kids News. This form of reading has really extended their level of reading, and has resulted in lots of quality discussions, follow up writing and further reading.

Student Voice

Last week a robot visited our school.
The robot did a dance.
Ultima Primary School also visited Lake Charm.
Everyone had a good time.
I hope the robot comes back.

Ryan

Student Banking

Win a family adventure holiday at Tokyo Disneyland!

This year, School Banking is running a Future Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker all the way to Tokyo, Japan. The winner gets an unforgettable family trip, for up to two adults and three children, where they'll explore Tokyo Disneyland with its amazing attractions, including the futuristic Tomorrowland, plus enjoy the fun rides at Tokyo DisneySea.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2017 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Community Connections



Registration is now OPEN

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**REGISTER BEFORE APRIL 22
TO RECEIVE FREE AFL TICKETS**

*Kerang Junior Football Oval, Riverside Park
Thursday's 5.00pm - 6.00pm*

**START DATE
Thursday 27 April 2017**

Enquiries
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Kids and Worry

Kerang



During this workshop we will explore the reasons why children worry and ways parents and carers can support them. It will include ideas as well as practical tools to assist children to manage their worries.

Term 2, 2017

When: Thursday 20th April 2017
Time: Arrival and registration 6.15pm
 Session 6.30 pm - 9.00pm
Where: St. Josephs Primary School, 89-103 Nolan Street Kerang
Cost: Free
Childcare: Not provided
Facilitators: Jo and Linda (Family Education Services Team)

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined seven working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged

Contact Debbie Garlick or Cathy Hutchinson on 5452 1426 or dgarlick@sjkerang.catholic.edu.au



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