Dear Parents and Friends,

A reminder that we have a pupil free day on Wednesday 21st October.

Pirates of the Curry Bean
I hope you have had the chance to read my open letter of thanks posted on TiqBiz last Friday. As a thank you to the legion of parents and friends who helped make this the best show ever we are having a thank you morning tea on Thursday 17th September. If your name is in the list of helpers, or even if it’s not, we would love for you to come and celebrate with us! I hope you can all come at 10.40am.

Pie and Footy Day
Now that the Cats are out of the finals I will be able to relax and enjoy this day for once! Please stay tuned to the notes and notices outlining this fun last day of term 3.

UNSW Spelling and Writing Results
Our results for our Spelling and Writing Competitions have arrived. Eight students sat the Spelling Competition with two students receiving a Credit, two receiving Merit certificates and four Participation certificates. The Writing Competition also had eight participants and resulted in three Distinctions, four Credits, one Merit and two Participations. Fantastic efforts students! Awards will be handed out at this week’s assembly.

Buildings and Grounds
Over the upcoming school holidays our new stage 2 rear playground is being installed. Graham Laurence and Michael Paterson have done so much work for this project.

Thank you to our Trivia Night and Movie Night fundraisers for raising the money to get this done this year! Building and Grounds are also excited to announce that the funds raised from our magnificent School Production will go towards our new canopy for the front playground. We will have this done by the start of summer!
Bullying/Restorative Practices
As you already know our school follows the Restorative Practices programme. Not only does this programme give us skills and strategies to be proactive but also what to do when ‘damage’ has been done. Staff are taught to intervene in a number of ways, they are taught to choose the most suitable intervention for the incident and the person/people involved. When dealing with a person who has been harassed or suffered from bullying we choose to do the following:

- Find a quiet place where we won't be interrupted to speak to the pupil
- Tell the pupil that I am worried about them.
- Ask them to tell me about the bullying that they are experiencing.
- Tell them that many people are bullied, but that no one should have to experience that sort of behaviour.
- Let them know that if they are experiencing bullying it is their right to get help to stop it, and our school’s duty to provide that help.
- Be prepared to listen in a non-judgemental way. Rushing in, though well intentioned, can be frightening and off-putting.
-Whilst we must acknowledge the victimisation of the child or young person, it is unhelpful in terms of encouraging their self-esteem to label them ‘a victim’.
- Encourage them to record and report any incident of bullying that they experience. This will help them feel less isolated and in more control.
- Remember to report the bullying to the classroom teacher and/or Principal.
- Tell them never to endanger themselves by standing up to bullies in a situation where they maybe outnumbered for example. Reacting to bullying by fighting back is almost always an instinctive response, an emotional response. Bullies generally tend to pick on and abuse another on their terms, behind closed doors and out of sight of a member of staff or a supervising adult.

For our students: Your role as a bystander
Most playground incidents occur with bystanders at or near the place of conflict. If you are one of these, how can you help? What should you do if your friend has a problem or is in trouble? Suppose your friend doesn't want to talk about it? Or maybe they've confided in you but sworn you to secrecy? These situations are not easy. Sometimes just being there and listening is enough but sometimes they might need more help than you can give them.

Don't ignore the incidents. You can help. Don't let the students who are not doing the right thing get away with thinking that no-one will do anything. Here are a few things you can do ... and a couple that you can't:

- **Don't rush over and take them** on - it might not be safe and you don't want other people to think you are a bully
- **Let a teacher or other adult know** what's happening
- **Try to be a friend** to the person being harassed
- **Refuse** to join in
- **Try to be friendly to the bully**, but even if you can’t be friends, being kind can sometimes help the bully stop bullying
- Sometimes **you can’t sort it out yourself**. Ask an adult for help.
Sunsmart
A reminder to all families that term 4 is a Sunsmart term and children are required to have a school uniform hat at each play time and lunch time. Those without will be restricted to play in certain areas.

End of Term
A reminder that school finishes at 2.30pm next week. Out of School Hours Care will operate from 2.30pm.

Matthew

School Captains Blog
Dear Parents, Teachers, Students and Guardians,

Last week we were doing production and have been extremely busy with it. Phew it's over. Those were two exhausting nights.

Thank you to our fabulous two directors Coby (5/6 teacher) and Matthew (our school principal) you did an awesome job and with putting up with us! Thank you to our costumes people. If you heard the crowd ooohing and aghhing you should be proud! Thank you to Doug and Cheryl as well for our props and sets! Thank you for everyone else who helped we couldn't have done without you!

Upcoming events:
  • Hoop time for the senior students on 16th Sept. Just remember that it's just a game and to have fun is the most important thing!
  • Footy + Pie day on 18th of Sept on the last day of school! Don't forget to wear your footy colours.

We are now including school House Captains so our first topic is from blue house captains, Charlie and India, on inter-school sports...

5/6 sports
Everyone did a great job. Fantastic effort from everybody, it was a great day.
A special thanks to Jim for coaching the football team, thank you! Thanks too Deb for coaching the Netball team, and thanks to the grade four, five, six teachers, Doug and anybody else who helped make it a great day. The football team did awesome. They had some wins and they had some losses but great effort overall try not to get so dirty next time. The Minke team had a couple of wins and ties plus a couple of losses but over all we all had fun and that's what matters. The netball team unfortunately lost all their games but there were a lot of exciting goals but everyone had a smile on their face at the end of the day. Well done to everyone who participated in sports, fantastic job everyone!

By Ella and Ashton and our Barrak Captains

A Big thank you to the Murray family (Dan 5/6A) for the great donation of many books to the Library.
Very much appreciated.
Thanks Beth.
### Foundation R

**Mabel G:** For her kind, caring attitude towards others. Well done Mabel!

**Milly M:** For being so mature and working hard to fix some friendship “issues” herself. Well done, Milly - you are a good friend.

### Foundation/1 JN

**Lily-Marie M:** For using fantastic listening and attention skills in the classroom. Keep it up!

**Finlay A:** For trying his best at new activities during investigations. Well done!

### 1/2 Kelly/Alison

**Alexis R, Oliver P, Layla G and Camille B:** For their patience and helpfulness during production. Thank you!

### 1/2 Anna

**Eloise T:** For her persistent and enthusiastic attitude towards her writing. Your pirate story was well written and entertaining. Well done!

**Lewis F:** For his honesty and persistence in making more positive choices. You are becoming a mature and responsible young man. Keep it up Lewis!

### 3/4 Cheryl

**Felix G:** For his creative and well written newspaper article about Production.

**Mason C:** For working productively on his writing about Production and producing a very good piece of work.

### 3/4 Heather

**Lucas W:** For demonstrating great maths skills and asking relevant questions.

**Marley K:** For his excellent demonstration on Powerpoint. You blew us all away with your expertise.

### 4/5 Adam

**Jenna C:** For your outstanding brochure on Morocco. The presentation of your work was wonderful and you included a wealth of interesting facts. Well Done!!

**Talia L:** For the wonderful fractions work you have been doing in iMaths. You have demonstrated you can accurately determine equivalent fractions and add and subtract fractions.

### 5/6 Allen

**Marie S:** For producing a skilfully - written pirate memoir that was entertaining and creative. Well done!

**Ethan B:** For producing a skilfully – written pirate memoir that was seriously creative and fun to read. Well done!

### 5/6 Coby/Kristy

**Maddy C:** For putting in a huge effort during the round robin playing netball. Well done Maddy!

**Saskia H:** For being such a wonderful member of our class who actively lives our values – pride, respect and inclusion. Well done Saskia!

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**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*Listen to yourself.*

*Chloe*
Problem Picture seven: Dominoes with Nine Spots

ANSWERS:

How many tiles does this special set of Dominoes have???
- The set in the photograph has $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 = 55$ Dominoes

How many tiles would a set of Dominoes going up to twelve have???
- A set of Dominoes going up to twelve would have $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 + 11 + 12 + 13 = 91$ Dominoes

Why is it impossible to match up the set of Dominoes in the photograph to make a continuous chain that uses all the tiles???
- The problem with matching up the tiles in the photograph can be illustrated by thinking of all the tiles with 6 spots on them. There is a 'double six' and nine other tiles (six combined with blank, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9). Nine is an odd number. When you make a chain, eight of these nine tiles can be matched together but their will always be one tile left over. Therefore, it is impossible to make a continuous chain.

Problem Picture Eight: House of Cards

- How many playing cards have been used to build this 'House of Cards'???

The house in the picture is four storeys high.
- How many cards would you need for a similar house that is six storeys high???
- Can you figure out a rule that tells you the number of cards for any size of 'House of Cards'???
On Monday 14th the Pirates of the Curry Bean fundraising production photos will be up and online!!!

Check our Website / Facebook / Tiqbiz on Monday for full details and logins. They are an excellent keepsake or perhaps presents for relatives near and far! All provided to us by a willing team of generous parent volunteers.

Money raised from the sale of the photos will be put towards the cost of the production and towards our other fundraising projects.

Thanks again! FCPS Fundraising Team
September 2015
School Holiday activities - Belgrave Library

Monday 21st September 11am - 3pm
Games and Puzzle Extravaganza
Drop in any time to enjoy some fun games, puzzles and Wii. Or get creative with some Duplo then unwind with relaxing Mandala colouring sheets
Ages: 3+

Tuesday 22nd September 11am (ages 5-8) and 11.30 (ages 9-12)
Hip Hop Dancing
Join Tara Walton from Dance Empire in Tecoma for a fun, free hip-hop dance session
BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Friday 25th September 11am
Louise Hartley - To Pluto and Beyond
Join astrophysicist Dr Louise Hartley, to explore the New Horizons’ mission to the outer reaches of our solar system
Ages: Primary school
Cost: $4
BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Saturday 26th September 1pm
Teenlit Trivia
Join us for an out-of-this-world trivia event! Think you know fantasy? We'll be covering everything from Middle-Earth to Hogwarts and Panem. Come dressed as your favourite fantasy character. Best costume gets a prize!
Ages: For teens only
BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Tuesday 29th September 11am
Movie Morning
Bring a comfy cushion and enjoy a relaxing, family-friendly movie with family and friends. Cordial provided. BYO snack
Ages 4+
BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Wednesday 30th September 11am
Elf Sneakybottom
Join Elf Sneakybottom for some fun! All ages $5 per child, payable before the day
BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Book online at www.yourlibrary.com.au or phone 98006489
The Week That Was
We shared our favourite colours, books, sports, numbers, food and more; and we played heaps of outdoor activities, trying to work out what we all enjoy the most and what works best. And we're trying out many super-tasty, easy, healthy-as snacks.

How Cheap Is OSHC
Did you know that if you enrol your child into Before and After School Care it can cost you as little as $6.27 per session per child with Government Rebate eligibility?

Announcement
Sun Smart Season has started, so don’t forget your hats!

This Week’s Program
We drew our pets, families and friends! We played basketball, played at the playground and much more! The kids were all extremely creative and loved every part of Family Week. The paint, glitter and crayons were out this week as the kids wanted to show how special their families were by using some special materials!

The Upcoming Week
Sporty madness! We will be playing outside, completing a basketball tournament and we even be playing some down ball! How exciting! And for the creative types, drawing our favourite sports.

On more of an educational note, we will be learning about the Olympic Games and some of the sports that are played in them. We will also be having a small party at ASC on Thursday to celebrate the end of term!

Community News
September VAC program is out now!
Incursions! Excursions!
Adventures galore!
See what’s on and join in the fun at Mater Christi or Emerald Primary.


Cooking Club
This week we will be making Chocolate truffles!
“Look out! Condensed milk is sticky…”

Thank You
We would just like to say a massive thank you to Ashley and Lachie’s mum for all the games and books she has given to our class!

ENROLMENT AND BOOKINGS
We always welcome new faces to Before and After Care! 2015 Enrolments can be completed online or by downloading a paper version, or you can pick one up at the OSHCare room. Should you need any assistance with the online process, feel free to come and see us and will be happy to help you out with the process.

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Joke of the Week
Knock knock. Who’s there?
Broken pencil, broken pencil who?
Oh, never mind… it’s pointlessa…