DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3

7th August – Letterland Party for Foundation students
8th August – Working Bee
10th August – Production Photos
18th August – Prep Transition
19th August – Hooptime Years 1/2
21st August – Hooptime Years 3/4
21st August – Daffodil Day and Jeans 4 Genes Day
1st & 2nd September – Production
4th September – Father’s Day Assembly
16th September – Hooptime Years 5/6

“Together we make a Difference!”

PRINCIPAL’S BLOG

Dear Parents and Friends,

News from the Curry Beaners!

We now have 5 weeks left to be ready. Rehearsals are in full swing.
- Senior students with character roles are practising every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- Costumes are nearing completion in the next few weeks and we can begin to promote the show with pictures of grades and lead characters. Becky Barlow and her team are well down the road in creating costumes for every single student in the school.
- We are planning on using our pre production pictures to produce a glossy program.
- We have also engaged the services of Brian Baker to produce a video of the production.
- Promotions Team have begun organising all things promotional.
- Emma Jennings, Doug and Cheryl are putting together ideas for sets and props.
- Melody is teaching every grade their musical item, and various teachers and volunteers are developing dances for each grade.
- Tickets are organised and go on sale Tuesday August 11th. Limit of 4 per family.

Parent Opinion Survey

This week the annual Parent Opinion Survey have been sent to 40 families. There will be a two week period to complete it and return it to school. Anonymity is ensured as only the office staff will keep track of returns and let the class teacher know only how many are returned and how many more need to be. This survey provides important data as to where our community feels our school is ‘at’. It does make a difference. I also often get asked what to do if you have no knowledge of one or two areas in the survey. For example, you might be asked about our Preschool to Prep transition program but your child might be in grade 6. I suggest you leave it unanswered. The data should only reflect responses to topics you have a good knowledge about.
PRINCIPAL’S BLOG CONTINUED…

UNSW Digital Technologies and Science Results
Our results for our Digital Technologies and Science Competitions have arrived. Six students sat the Digital Technology Competition with one receiving a Distinction, three receiving a Credit and two receiving Participation certificates. The Science Competition also had six participants and resulted in one Distinction, four Credits and one Participation. Fantastic efforts students! Awards will be handed out at this week's assembly.

School Student Leadership Team
Our school student leadership is made up of three areas; our School and House Captains, our Junior School Council, and all Year 5 and 6 students. I met with the first group last week and I am very impressed with their ideas and thoughts for improving their school. Here are some examples:

1. Buildings and Grounds to look at state of the lower basketball court
2. We need to fix the washing hands issue in our toilets. JSC has also addressed this issue and a solution has been found. Stay tuned!
3. Can we fix Music Room Drinking taps?
4. Can we discuss if we can get netball rings used on our netball court?
5. We need two or three outdoor bins. Matthew to organise and have House Captain's run the litter program.
6. Student Support fluoro vests for two student leaders a day to compliment the Friendship Chair. Students from F to 2 can ask these people for help and/or guidance with any playground issues.

Well done team!

Enrolment 2016:
If your child is due to commence school in 2016 please call at the office to complete an enrolment form. If you know of friends who have children due to commence school in 2016, encourage them to visit our school (tours can be arranged by contacting the office) and remind them that enrolment can be finalised now!!! By enrolling early we are able to work on our planning for next year. If you have any questions or to arrange a school visit please contact us – 9755 1522

Coming up in This term
• School Leaders Conference: 29th – 31st July
• Foundation Letterland Party: 7th August
• Prep Transition: 18th August
• Education Policy ans Planning: Tuesday 4th August
• Building and Grounds: 11th August
• Communication Forum: 12th August
• Education Support Week: 17th August
• Hooptime Year 1/2: 19th August
• School Council Presidents’ Dinner: 19th August
• Hooptime years 3/4: 21st August
• Daffodil and Jeans for Genes Day: 21st August
• Jim Asimakopoulas: Sporting values and coaching Football team, 4th August, 13th and 20th August
• Pirates of the Curry Bean: September 1st and 2nd
• Leadership PL Day 2: 3rd September
• Father’s Day: 4th September
Sassafras Ferny Creek Netball Club is open for registration for our Spring Competition and welcomes any new players. You don’t need to have any experience, just the will to join in and become part of a team!

**Registration:** closes August 8th, 2015  
**Season:** Spring season runs from September 2015 to early December (no finals for 11 & Under)  
**Age:** 8 years old to open.  
**Training:** Teams train at the netball court in Olinda  
**Matches:** All matches are on Saturdays  
**Venue:** Mountain District Netball Complex, Ferntree Gully for all matches.

Have a wonderful week everybody,  
Matthew

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**Production Photos**  
Whole school production photographs will be taken on **Monday 10th August**. All students are expected to be at school for photos. Please call the office if your child is unwell and Jill/Dana can give you an approx. time to come in for photos.  
* Grade 5/6 costumes must be at school by Monday 3rd of August.

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**Player Registration** for Spring 2015  
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**Working Bee at Veronica’s Place**  
**Where:** 213 MDTR Ferny Creek (enter off Old Main Road)  
**When:** Sunday 2nd August between 10am and 5pm  
**Why:** to help the Baker-Johnson family get organised and ready to move to a new home!!  
**What:** cleaning, gardening, painting, preparation, moving furniture etc. Any trades welcome 😊  
Veronica Baker is a local mum to 5 kids, works in the Emergency Theatre Department at the Angliss hospital, and may have helped many of you or your families at a time of need. So any time that you can donate would be greatly appreciated.  
For more information please call Jo Hirst 0427 494 831 or Corinne Sukroo 0419 805 915.
**STARS OF THE WEEK**

**Foundation R**
- **Matilda W:** For always working hard and trying her very best at all times. Fantastic! Keep it up, Matilda.
- **Finn C:** For being so helpful around the classroom. I can always rely on him to keep things tidy, find lost things and to be honest. Well done, Finn!

**Foundation/1 JN**
- **Eve C:** For being a fantastic helper in our classroom.
  - **Bobby D-H:** For a fantastic piece of writing completed during free-choice writing time.

**1/2 Kelly/Alison**
- **Ava W:** For your attention to detail in your writing. It is a pleasure to read!
  - **Alex T:** For working so well during maths and spelling this week. Way to go!

**1/2 Anna**
- **Indi B:** For demonstrating a very mature work ethic and earning a gold certificate in Mathletics. Congratulations, Indi!
  - **Sam G:** For continuously working at his very best and making a magnificent teacher assistant this week. Well done, Sam!

**3/4 Cheryl**
- **Aurora E:** For being a kind and considerate person who is always willing to include everyone.
  - **Lily I:** For working hard to learn her speedy maths. Great work Lily.

**3/4 Heather**
- **James P:** For working so well on his mathematics. Great work James
  - **Ruby C:** For an excellent working week. Terrific spelling Ruby, well done.

**4/5 Adam**
- **Kaitlin J:** For the wonderful way you project your voice during production rehearsals and your clear delivery of your lines. Keep up the great work!!
  - **Zach R:** For the wonderful contribution you made to your group during our focus on Values. Your values iMovie on RESPECT was great!! Well done.

**5/6 Allen**
- **Ethan B:** For reading your book talk very fluently. The extra expression and humour made it a lot of fun to listen to.
  - **Heath K:** For responsibly getting all homework assignments done. Great job on your dream holiday – I want to go there!

**5/6 Coby/Kristy**
- **Mia VK:** For the amazing progress you have made with your character in the production. Well done Mia.
  - **Lauchlin J:** For the extra effort he has put into his Google Doodle submission. Working well Lauchie, keep it up!

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**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*Don’t doubt your abilities.*

*Liam*
Marvellous Mathematics

Problem Picture One: Rubik’s Cube

ANSWERS:

- How many faces are there??? = 6
- How many colours are there??? = 6
- How many small squares are there??? = 54
- How many small cubes are there???, but in fact there is no cube in the centre and so the total is one less than this, which is, 26

The Rubik’s Cube in the picture has been tampered with in a way that makes it impossible to solve the puzzle.

Can you see how???, On the edge nearest the camera there is a cube which is coloured red on two faces. These two red squares will always lie on different faces of the Rubik’s Cube.

Problem Picture Two: Box of Jelly Beans

Each compartment in this box contains six jelly beans of the same flavour. They are arranged in two layers of three beans. There is a different flavour in each compartment.

- How many different flavours are there in the box???
- How many beans are there altogether???

Jelly beans are sold in ‘40 official flavours’. Suppose that the jelly bean company asks you to design a similar box which could hold all 40 flavours. Is it possible???
The Week That Was

Last week (week 2) we kicked off the second week of term with filled with 'Sensory Madness' activities. We overloaded our senses in a fun and funny taste testing game which left everyone in fits of laughter. We touched; smelled, looked, listened and tasted throughout the week but everyone especially enjoyed the colourful squishy bags!

Kid’s Corner

It was hard to say good bye to Karli last week. She made us each a personalised bookmark. We are going to miss her, but we still will hear from her, as she said she will send us postcards.

By- Emma

This Week’s Program

This week (week 3) is 'Mix N’ Match' madness week!

We are spending the week mixing and matching colours and paints to create masterpieces for the room, exploring different methods or drawing and painting, experimenting with modelling clay, using recycled materials to construct a 'Mix N’ Matching Madness' creation.

We will also spend the week trying new games and even mixing up some old favourites!

Upcoming Week

Next week (week 4) we will be going on an adventure 'Into the Wild!' Exploring the surrounding nature, searching for the minibeaches, sneaking and hiding in the garden. We will even construct a classroom rainforest for our wild creations to lurk, hide and call home.

Joke of the Week

Q- This week we have a riddle; can you solve the answer…?

A- What is as big as an elephant, but weighs nothing at all?

Cooking Club

Next week on Wednesday we will be making a yummy Lemon Slice.

Welcome

Hi, my name is Bethany and I will be part of the OSHCare 4 KIDS Ferny Creek program. I look forward in meeting you all at the program. The program will also have present Ruby, Chris and Skye this term. Feel free to come and see us at the program, as we are happy to assist you in your OSHC needs.

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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