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NAPLAN

Earlier this week our Year 3 and 5 students began their NAPLAN tests along with every other Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 student in Australia. Our Online NAPLAN will continue until Friday 25 May 2018.

However, it is important to remember that this is just one test on one day and the score will only tell how your child did on that day in that learning area. It does not assess what makes our students exceptional and unique. It doesn't score how caring, thoughtful and how much your child brightens up someone's day. The people who score the test don't know that our children are good at art, music, sport, Japanese, always try their best and are just "good kids". These attributes cannot be measured but they are a vital component of how special your child is as a person.

Faction Cross Country

Our Annual Faction Cross Country will be held on Wednesday 30 May 2018 starting at 9:30am on the School Oval. All students from Year 3 to Year 6 are expected to participate. The students who nominate NOT to run the course will be expected to walk one lap of the course to earn points for their Faction. The first five runners across the line will be selected for the Interschool Carnival with the sixth position as a reserve. Years 1 and 2 who want to are able to run in the Faction Carnival as SCISA rules allows them to participate in the Interschool Junior events. A note with all the information will be distributed early next week.

School Board

Accompanying this Newsletter is a Voting Form to elect a new parent member of our School Board. Every parent/guardian is entitled to vote and voting closes Friday 25 May at 3:00pm. Please return your slips to the box in the office.

School Evacuation

Last week we had a practice of our procedures. The whole school was out on the oval and the school checked in 8 minutes. Well done everyone.

Band Weekend

This weekend the Year 4,5 and 6 instrumental students will participate in the Band Weekend at school. There is a performance at 2:00pm. All are welcome.

In Term Swimming Lessons

Interm Swimming Lessons for all children from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will commence on Day 1 of Term 3 on Tuesday 17 July and continue daily for 9 sessions, concluding on Friday 27 July. Consent and Payment Forms will be sent out later this term.



Saturday
19 May
Band Workshop

Sunday
20 May
Band Workshop
Performance 2:00pm

Monday
21 May
NAPLAN continues

Thursday
24 May
Assembly - Area 2

Friday
25 May
Willetton Basketball
Cup

Monday
28 May
Year One Area 4&5
Excursion

Wednesday
30 May
Faction Cross Country
Carnival

HONOUR CERTIFICATES



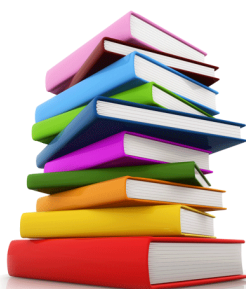
Congratulations to those students who received Honour Certificates on Thursday 10 May - Maddie Banks, Mikayla Bird, Hannah Brunt, Charlotte Carroll, Will Clifford, Hayleigh Cronje, Saskia Dunn, Jed Endicott, Louie Foreman, Reed Fraser-Birkett, Logan Grida, Charlie Harris, Elijah Hernandez-Smith, Tahliq Jarvis, Sienna Kim, Vincent Kim, Chloe Mansell, Elijah Rowles, Calan Skipworth, Indi-Rose Swart, Finley Watson and Aiden Wilson.

Girls Cup State Final

On 11 May 2018 the Interschool Girl's Soccer A team went to the State Finals. They played against Riverton who won their division in the regionals. In the first half Riverton scored 2 goals and Banksia scored none. Five minutes into the second half Charlotte scored the first goal for Banksia Park. After Charlotte scored Riverton scored again. Then with ten minutes to go Lauren Blair scored the second goal for Banksia. In the end Riverton beat Banksia Park 3-2. We were very pleased with our results and every one played very well. Many thanks to Mr C for coaching us through the game and the parents for supporting us. GO BANKSIA!!

By Madi and Charlotte

DONATE A BOOK TO OUR LIBRARY



Many old and outdated books have been withdrawal from our library this year. As our students are avid readers we would like to replace them. Please come and view a selection of books which will be on display in our library for parents to buy and then donate to the school. A label acknowledging your donation will be placed in the front of each book. The library will be open from 8:15am - 9:00am on Tuesday 29 May, Wednesday 30 May and Thursday 31 May. Cash and credit cards will be accepted.

Thanking you in anticipation. Your support will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions see Mrs Hanrahan our Library Officer.

Thank You



A big thank you to Della Chamberlain for making aprons for the Pre-Primary students in Area 3.

Thank You



A big thank you to the Taylor Family who donated a new Sita Sam Bear and a new bear for the soon to be announced Kidsmatter Assembly Award.

Reminder School Survey

The Parent Survey is a mandated survey that all schools must conduct every two years. This year we hope to increase the number of responses and get opinions and views from as many parents as possible. Parents will again have the option of completing the survey online.

How do you notice anxiety in children ?



At home

- Fear and avoidance of a range of issues and situations.
- Headaches and stomach aches that seem to occur when the child has to do something that is unfamiliar or about which they feel uneasy.
- Sleep difficulties, including difficulty falling asleep, nightmares and trouble sleeping alone.
- Lots of worries and a strong need for reassurance.

At School

- Wanting things to be perfect. For example, a child may be so dissatisfied with his/her own work that he/she will tear it up and redo several times.
- Reluctance to ask for help. Sometimes anxiety creates an obstacle that prevents children asking for help from the teacher about a problem with learning. Children who ask too much for reassurance may also be overly anxious.
- Difficulty in joining in. Children with high levels of anxiety may be afraid to join in class discussion, take part in sport or games or go to school camp.
- Requests to go to sick bay. Anxious children often complain of stomach aches and headaches.
- Fearful of test situations. Some children do not do as well as they can in test conditions because they are struggling with anxiety. They may also be too self-conscious to perform in front of the class.

For more helpful discussions and resources visit KidsMatter website
<https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/families/newsletter>

KANGAROOS

Students have been told that if they see any kangaroos on the school grounds to stay well clear of the wild animals. Please reinforce this with your children so they do not go near or antagonise any of these animals either during the week or on the weekends.



P&C News

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Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to all the gorgeous kids who came to buy something for their Mums last week. We hope all the Mums had a wonderful Mother's day. We raised roughly \$580 for the school.

Banksia Park Fair Committee 2019 – First Meeting Tonight!

We are holding a 30 Year Anniversary Fair next year on the 30th March 2019. There is a meeting tonight (Thursday 17th May) at 7pm in the Performing Arts Centre foyer (where the Uniform Shop is). This is the first meeting of the Fair Committee where all positions will be filled and an action plan put into place, the positions are listed on Facebook and in the Connect notification sent out. We would love to see as many people as possible join in to help us put together the most amazing event possible! If you have any questions please contact Maria on 0402 660 242 or stevemariawilson@bigpond.com

School Disco – Save the date!

Save the date! The next school disco will be Friday 15th June. Put it in your calendars! Theme to be announced soon.

Uniform Shop – Opening Times Changing!

Please be advised that the Uniform shop will be trialling opening at 8:30-9:15am on Tuesday mornings starting from **Tuesday 22nd May**. During this trial period the uniform shop **will not open on Wednesday afternoons.**

Coles Sports for Schools

Thank you to all the families who brought in vouchers. We ended up with roughly 30,000 to spend on sports equipment for the school. Mr C has already put in the order!

Car Park Space in Staff Carpark

Congratulations to the Bird family who now have their own car bay in the staff car park for Term 2!

Gilbert's Fresh Market Southlands

Gilbert's Fresh market in Southlands is very kindly offering to donate 1% of your purchase back to the school! So if you are shopping for your fresh fruit and veg there, be sure to mention our school at the checkout to make it count. Loyalty cards are now available for customers. Thank you Gilbert's Fresh Market!!

Canteen Updates

The Canteen has a new menu for Winter!! Come and try our winter warmers - Soup is on the menu and you can provide your own thermos! The new menu has been sent home with this Newsletter and is on the School Website.

Canteen Help

It's been very light on for volunteers still and we would love to see lots of Mums, Dads or grandparents help out – even if it is just once a term it helps the canteen dramatically! Come and see us and put your name down for a shift – the kids just love seeing you there!!

Entertainment Books

Entertainment books are now available! If you would like to purchase a hard or digital copy of the Entertainment Book they are \$70 and can be purchased online at www.entbook.com.au/860b40 or via Giorgia Kloosterman, gkloosterman@westnet.com.au. The front office now have a supply of books which you can purchase if paying by cash.