From the Principal

School X-Country Winners

Well done to all who participated in our cross country competition and to the following place getters.

Year 4 - Boys
1st Edward Astill  2nd William Oxlade
3rd Aidan Spencer  4th Eric Chapman
5th Jacob Foley  6th Harper Gadsby

Year 4 - Girls
1st Kate Taylor  2nd Alison Capper
3rd Abby Breust  4th Manon Rodet
5th Genevieve Grier  6th Holly Preston

Year 5 - Boys
1st Matthew Byron  2nd Patrick Lee
3rd Sam Nicholas  4th Bennett Nolan
5th Oliver Edmonds  6th Tate Van Heemst

Year 5 - Girls
1st Sophie Eastaugh  2nd Matilda Sayer
3rd Maeve Grant  4th Tess Ryan
5th Charlotte Broad  6th Madison Reilly

Year 6 – Boys
1st Zane Lewis  2nd Alec Walker
3rd Angus McDonald  4th Lachlan McGrath
5th Leo Dalitz  6th Aden Lukan

Year 6 – Girls
1st Rory Milbourne  2nd Natasha Hayne
3rd Neisha Priestly  4th Lily Van Ooran
5th Olivia Newby  6th Juliet Morris

Year 7 – Boys
1st Levan Addinall  2nd William Hughes
3rd Lewis Martin  4th James Olton

Year 7 – Girls
1st Izzy Widlake  2nd Phoebe Cargill

The interschool competition for yrs 5-7 is next Friday 16 August at 10.30am at Brentwood PS. Spectators are very welcome.

Lisa Dentith, Principal
Enrolments 2014: I am currently processing all the applications for 2014 and applicants will receive letters before the end of August.

I am pleased to say that we are expecting our year 3 teacher Adele Gaskin back from sick leave on 26 August – we have missed her immensely. Many thanks for all your messages of support.

Farewell to our Italian teacher Antonella Blanchard who goes on maternity leave for a year soon. Her last day will be Wednesday 21 August. Lily Hale will commence here on Monday 26 August.

Congratulations to our year 6/7 teacher Lloyd Tifflin who has been selected by the DoET to do further study as part of the Switch program (training primary teachers to teach secondary subjects). Lloyd is doing further qualifications in Mathematics. This will benefit his class hugely as they transition to the high school curriculum.

Entertainment Books – still available from the office. This is a P&C fundraiser.

Building program: This is going well and we hope to have the staff room and corridor back in two weeks. The universal access toilet is going up now on the end of room 13 (a bit stalled by the rain) and the veranda will be completed by the end of term. Thanks for everyone’s patience. It will be worth it.

Financial Audit: Last week we were audited as part of the DoET’s regular checks on schools. The auditor was here for three rigorous days going through all our books. We passed easily and I would like to thank our Registrar, Gabrielle Ivanac, for doing such a great job in managing our physical and financial resources. Thanks too to Deputy, Charmaine Cook, who handles all our leave and relief pay so accurately – no small job.

I will be going to the UK to visit family for two weeks from 23 August until 9 September. Charmaine Cook will be Principal during that time.

Lisa Dentith, Principal

P&C Association

Last Friday’s disco was a great event. Thanks so much for all the parents and teachers who volunteered their time to organise, set up and clean up for the event. The kids all had a fantastic time and proved the disco must be a regular on the P&C calendar.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday August 20, 7.30pm in the Library. We’d love to have you join us as we discuss other events and issues that help make our school better for our kids.

The once every 4 year fete is quickly approaching and our first ever dads and kids sport day is also on its way.

Happy to chat if you have any ideas or feedback.

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Thanks!!

Jeans for Genes: THANKS for everyone’s support of this fundraiser for charity – the students raised $420 that has been donated to genetic research.

DISCO THANKS!! To everyone who helped with the disco. Special thanks to the main organisers - Phil Beeck, Lisa Dentith, Cheryl Pech, Andrew Foley & Mike Dean. And to those parents who volunteered to assist on the night –Marnie Foley, Peta Van Heemst, Liann Cooper, Anna Hayne, Janet Duncan, Kerrin Larwood, Milly Sayer and Helen Bawden some of whom cleaned up until 10pm!

Thanks too to the teachers who helped on the disco night – Lloyd Tifflin, Vanessa Ryan, Charmaine Cook, Lisa Dentith and Lee Maloney and to Liane Hadlow (front desk) and the Student Council for selling tickets and managing the money.
Important information for students entering high school in Year 7, 2015

Significant changes have been implemented to ensure your child is prepared for entry into Gifted and Talented Selective Entrance programs in high school from 2015. The application, testing and placement process is open to all students in Year 6, 2014.

Key Events and Scheduled Dates

- October 1, 2013
  Applications open for entry into selective academic, arts or languages programs in Year 7 2015
- February 10, 2014
  Applications Close
- March 15, 2014
  Students applying for placement in Gifted and Talented programs must sit the Academic Selective Entrance Test.
- May 9, 2014
  Academic Performance Reports posted to the listed parents
- July 4, 2014
  All offers of placement for Gifted and Talented programs will be finalised before the commencement of Semester two.

For further information on the Year 7 transition to high school visit Schools and You.

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