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The Overport Times

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,,

EVERY DAY COUNTS!.

District Cross Country Results: Congratulations to the team who represented us so well at the District Cross Country last Friday – wining the senior section, and becoming overall Division 1 champions! Well done to you all and thanks to Mr Broecker for his organisation of this event.

Parent/Teacher Interviews- now – 'Family Forums': both School Council and Staff have had discussions regarding a new format for our Parent Teacher meetings. These meetings will now be known as '**Family Forums'**. These are designed to give students greater ownership of their own learning, as well as an opportunity to share and celebrate their learning journey with their parents. As mentioned last week, these meetings will include students, as well as parent and teachers, and will be held on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd July. Our online booking site will open early next week and a tiqbiz message will be sent out to you.

Education subcommittee: School Council and Education subcommittee have recently reviewed and updated the following school policies: Transition, Staff Wellbeing and Anaphylaxis. These updated policies can now be found on our school website. A topic of conversation for our next Education Subcommittee meeting will be **homework**. There have been a few questions raised in relation to the amount of homework set and levels of difficulty, which will be addressed at this meeting. If you would like to be part of our discussions, you are most welcome to attend. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 17th June at 3.45pm in the staffroom.

Diary Dates

Friday 6th June
Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal

Monday 9th June
Queen's Birthday
Student Free Day

Mon 16th - Fri 20th June
Wellbeing Week

Thursday 19th June
Open Night

Monday 23rd June
School Council

Friday 27th June
Last day Term 2
School finishes at 2.30pm

Monday 14th July
First day Term 3

Thursday 11th September
School Production

Thought for the Week

Life Shrinks and expands in proportion to one's courage
Anais Nin – 1900s' French Novelist.

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Staffing News: While yesterday we said 'Bon Voyage' to Mrs Gleeson as she headed off on a wonderful trip overseas, next week we say 'Welcome Back' to Mr Bryant. For the remainder of this term, Mr Bryant will be teaching 5B while Mr Pryor continues extended leave. Mr Broecker is able to continue teaching our Phys Ed program for the next two weeks, which is great. A replacement teacher will be sourced for PE for the final two weeks of this term. We thank all of our staff for their flexibility during this time. We are also delighted to advise that Mrs Monica Champion will continue in the canteen for the rest of this year. The canteen hours will remain the same.

Assembly: Our new format with assembly has worked extremely well. Last Monday we held our first whole school assembly for the term and it was very successful. We plan to continue with this format for the rest of the term and review it prior to commencing next term. Next week's assembly locations will be Prep – Yr 2 in the hall, Yr 3/4 at the Yr 5 end of the TLC and Yr 5/6 at the Yr 6 end of the TLC. Parents are most welcome to join any of these smaller assemblies. Our next whole school assembly will be on Monday 23rd June. This will be our final assembly for Term 2.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Julie Gleeson — **Principal**

Deborah Madder — **Assistant Principal**

Student Banking

Reminder to all families that student banking is every Wednesday.

Student banking information packs are available from the office.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Happy Birthday to the children who have celebrated their birthdays this week.

Caleb 2B, Ashanti OPB, Cooper 1B, Evie OPA, Jasmine 1A, Braydon 6B, Bianca 5C, Joel 6B, Makayla 3A, Tiaani 6B, Jake 3B , Lachlan 5C., Sara OPB, Angus 3B & Jordan 4A.

Canteen News

Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal Friday June 6th

Order forms went home last week, extra copies are available from the office.

NO other Lunch orders or counter sales available on this day

Please return orders by next MONDAY JUNE 2nd

District Cross Country Report

Last Friday was the District Cross Country at the Woodleigh Senior School in Langwarrin South. We fielded a strong team made up of the top place getters from our own cross country back in March.

It was an overcast day and rain looked threatening through the events but it held away and running conditions remained good for all the age group races. We had some wonderful results with a number of students finishing in the top 10 and will be off to regionals later in the term. I was really proud of all the students who competed and their determination was evident as we won both the Senior Shield and the Overall Division 1 Shield which is a real credit to our team of students. I would like to thank all the parents who came to support the students and to the Teachers: Ms. Rachelle, Mr. Rodwell and Education Support Officers: Sue and Wendy who assisted in the day.

Mr. Broecker

Bunnings Art Workshop

Grade 1 and 2 students making sand bottles with Lyn from Bunnings.

Extend OSHC at Overport Primary School

Last week the children had fun all week as they had new sports equipment. Soccer games, poison ball and skipping games were played. As well as the usual fun in the playground and sandpit.

Indoor activities, the children were playing plenty of games of Uno, board games, building towers from blocks and still more fun with junk craft and boxes.

Also I won't be at the program on Friday 6th for after care or Tuesday 10th for before care as I'm going for a quick trip to visit family in Sydney, JJ will stepping into my shoes for those 2 sessions.

Next week's activities starting 2nd June

Monday- sweet treats

Tuesday- match stick shapes

Wednesday- pasta pictures

Thursday - mini picture theatre

Friday- balloon rockets

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The tiqbiz app will help our school keep you fully informed and up-to-date with newsletters, notices, news and events. It's easy to use and also has the benefit of helping reduce our paper consumption by printing less.

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ANDROID APP ON Google play — Android smartphone and tablet. Go to Google play and search tiqbiz.

www.tiqbiz.com — Windows & Mac computers. Go to www.tiqbiz.com and click on the download button.

'OVERPORT CARES' AWARDS

These certificates are awarded at assembly each week for children who have excelled in an academic or social endeavour throughout the previous week.

Mia OPA, Jake OPB,
Zoran OPC, Ashanti OPD,
Tony 1A, Brandon 1B,
Brock 1C, Indiana 2A,
Sheetal 2B,
Daniel 2C, Oscar 3A,
Charlotte 3B,
Olivia 4A, Josh 4B,
Cleo 3/4C, Caleb 5A,
Riley 5B & Michael 5C,
Luke 6A, Joel 6B & Manny 6C

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