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A School Wide Positive Behaviour and
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Student Learning Conversations

You should have received notice via compass that bookings are now open for Student Learning Conversations. These conferences are an important part of the learning process as they give students an opportunity to explain to parents and teachers about what they are doing well, and what they need to learn next. Evidence shows that students can articulate their learning goals and that parents understand these goals, then learning will be more effective. If you are having trouble booking a time on Compass, please contact Joanne or Danae in the office.

School Council Elections

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legal bodies that are given powers to set the key direction of a school within state-wide guidelines. For most school councils, there are three possible categories of membership:

1. Parent Category: more than one third of the total members must be from this category. Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school. Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not employed at the school.
2. A DET employee Category: members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The Principal of the school is automatically one of these members.

3. An optional Community member category: nominations are also called for a community member who could be a parent or carer or another member of our school community. Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections. Nominations for categories 1 & 2 close on 1st March at 4pm. A ballot will be held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant. You don't need special experience to be on school council, but you do need an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future. If you decide to nominate, forms are available from the office.

Free dress day

We will be having a free dress day on 09/03/2018, we ask that every student who comes out of uniform brings some produce to donate to our Kitchen Garden program.

Newbee's on the week



From our Matrix...
Be Respectful/ All Areas
I am honest

What's on this term

05/03/2018- Student Free Day- OSHC will run all day on this date. Bookings required.

06/03/2018- School photos

09/03/2018- Free dress day- please support our Kitchen Garden program by donating some fresh produce

13/03/2018- Student Learning Conversations- School finishes at 1pm- OSHC will be available from 1pm-6pm.

Assembly is every Monday morning at the start of the school day.

Playgroup runs out of the multipurpose room each Tuesday from 9:30am.

Icy poles are available for purchase each Friday for \$1.

Attendance

This year we would really like to see all children at school every day unless they are legitimately ill. If your child is away due to illness, please let us know on 5127 1448. We do need to provide a reason for why each child is away so if you can let us know at your earliest convenience that would be much appreciated.

As we have changed from Sentral to Compass this year, we no longer have the ability to receive text notifications regarding absences.

Adventures in 3/4W

By 3/4W

On Thursday 3/4W found a praying mantis in the school. After going out to look at the insect, they then wrote a story together using the correct structure of a narrative and including their focus VCOP aspects of brackets, quotation marks and words other than said. They also research facts about praying mantis. Here is some of their great work!

The story of the praying mantis

One sunny day Amelia (with the jojo bow) and Taya (with a big bun) where walking up the stairs, when all of a sudden they found a (rare red) praying mantis.

Taya whispered, "look at the wall!" Amelia responded "wow it's a rare red praying mantis."

So the grade went out to have look at the rare red praying mantis.

Facts about praying mantis:

- There are about 2,300 species of praying mantis
- Praying mantis eat grass hoppers, flies, crickets and sometimes they eat small birds such as humming birds.
- Praying mantis are most commonly seen in Autumn.



Meet Sensei Newbee

by Alex and Emerson

Following Captain Newbee's retirement and the introduction of Sensei Newbee, Captains Warehouse will now be renamed Sensei's Shop.

For those that don't know Sensei shop is a place to spend their Newbee tickets and we will still keep all 5 boxes which are the 1,2,3,4 and 10 boxes. Every week we try to restock so you can purchase awesome new toys/items. Sensei's shop is a fun way for caring Newbee's to spend all there hard earned Newbee tickets that they have worked really hard for.

"Sensei's shop is an amazing experience because there is a lot of fun stuff."- Alex

