

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

SWIMMING SUCCESS

Our swimming team went off to Pines Forest Swimming Pool yesterday at the Northern Peninsula Division Swimming Carnival. The whole team represented our school with distinction. From the carnival a number of student have earned the right to go on to the next stage which is the Zone Carnival at MSAC in 2 weeks time. The following students have earned that right.

Thea Mills (Team Captain)	Butterfly/Medley relay/Backstroke/Freestyle relay
Gypsy Visser	Medley relay/Freestyle relay
Layla Carter	Medley relay/Freestyle relay
Elena Petrovic	Freestyle relay
Hayley Meddings	Medley relay
Jaspa Adam	Backstroke
Luca Laurito	Butterfly

Congratulations to all those who competed and good luck to those who go on to the next stage. Below are a photos of the successful relay teams



CURRICULUM DAY

A message to member sof the school community that Tuesday April 18th has been approved as a Curriculum Day and as such students will not be required to be at school on that day.

EARLY DISMISSAL

A reminder that Friday March 31st is the last day of term and as such students will be dismissed at 2:30 pm.

We would ask that parents make arrangements for children to be collected from school at this earlier time.

UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES

The Department of Education is determined to decrease the level of student absence in schools to maximise the potential of all children in term of their academic outcomes. As a part of this, we are required to hand on information about individual student attendance through our normal accountability procedures.

After our recent student Census we have a number of student absences that have been labelled "UNEXPLAINED". We ask that all parents who are contacted about these absences, forward a written explanation for the absence to the class teacher as soon as possible. Thank you in anticipation.

CALENDAR

TERM 1

- 20/3 Gr1 Olden Days dress up day
- 21/3 Gr2 McClelland Gallery excursion Gr2E, 2SE & 2W
- 21/3 Gr4 Pollywoodside payment due
- 22/3 Gr2 McClelland Gallery excursion Gr2A & 2D
- 22/3 Foundation Grandparents afternoon
- 24/3 Gr6 Interschool Sport LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP
- 24/3 SNR Principal Awards presented at assembly
- 27/3 Gr4BR, 4J & 4S Pollywoodside excursion
- 27/3 JNR Principal Awards presented at assembly
- 28/3 Gr4B & 4H Pollywoodside excursion
- 29/3 Gr6 EMC visit
- 31/3 Last day of term-2:30pm finish**
- 31/3 Foundation, Gr1 & 2 Easter Bonnet Parade @ 9:30am on Basketball courts

FIRST DAY OF TERM 2: (CURRICULUM DAY) Tuesday 18th April

- 19/4 Students First day**
- 25/4 ANZAC DAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- 26/4 Gr4 Science incursion payment due

LUNCHTIME CLUBS

After receiving feedback from parents in last year's Parent Opinion Survey regarding extra curricular activities at Woodlands, we have expanded our Lunchtime Clubs program to cater for a wider range of students' needs and interests.

In the next few newsletters we'll be providing you with a brief description of each club and on what day it is running. If you see a club that your child will enjoy, please encourage them to attend. All Lunchtime Clubs run from 1.40pm – 2.20pm.

This newsletter features 'The Arts' clubs available to our students.

Monday - Art Club

(Mrs. Clowes)

Junior Art Room

During Monday Art club students will complete a lot of paper craft such as making collages, paper sculptures, pencil/pastel/texta activities and sometimes free draw. Some students prefer to have free time and draw, others prefer to make and have a task to complete (paper craft).

Tuesday - Art Club

(Mr. Clough)

Senior Art Room

Activities provided in the Senior Art Room are;

- Drawing using a variety of tools such as crayon, coloured pencils, oil and chalk pastels.
- Simple paper constructions
- Origami
- Weaving using wool.
- Making loom bands

Wednesday - Art Club

(Mrs. Block)

Junior Art Room

On Wednesday in the Junior Art Room we will be doing many activities such as colour therapy which is designed to be relaxing for students who need a break from the yard. We will draw with various art media throughout the course of the year. This club is a quiet relaxing club for students.

Thursday - Choir

(Mrs. Muehlechner)

Choir is open to students in Year 3-6

We will be learning a number of songs and will have a few opportunities to perform. ANZAC Day assembly will be our first performance. The Performing Arts Showcase to be held in September will be what we mainly work towards and each week we will rehearse and prepare for this.

There are no auditions all students are welcome but we ask that only students who are committed to attending every Thursday rehearsal attend.