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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

OPEN MORNING

It was wonderful to have so many families supporting their children's education and wellbeing, by attending the Open Morning. Parents joined in classroom activities, chatted informally to their child's teacher and observed daily classroom structures/routines. It was a highlight to see (hear there were) so many students with big smiles on their faces, keen to share their learning experiences with their families and interact with their peers.

Thank you to all parents that attended.

The Governing Council AGM will be Monday 6th March 2017 at 6:00pm. We look forward to seeing you all. You may also like to write the Teacher/Parent interviews on your calendar, which will take place in Week 10, Tuesday 4th April and Wednesday 5th April. Interviews will be held from 3:30pm until 5:00pm. A note will be sent home closer to the date. We hope to continue to further develop positive relationships and links between school and home.

GRIP LEADERSHIP

The Year 7 students and Janita Galloway attended a Grip Leadership conference at the Sir Robert Helpmann on the 22nd March. The students were involved in three sessions for the day.

Session 1 – Topic 1: Leading in the Land of Zootopia. The animals in the Land of Zootopia prove that leadership is not about using a position, but rather about using individual strengths. It also reveals the importance of strength of character and appreciating the strengths of others.

Session 2 – Topic 2: The 4 Expectations of Responsibility. This session

DIARY DATES



Monday 6th March

Governing Council AGM

Monday 13th March

Adelaide Cup Holiday

Wednesday 22nd March

Kongorong Sports Day

Friday 31st March

Small School Sports Day

Thursday 13th April

End of Term 1

Friday 14th April

Good Friday

REMINDERS

School Fees Due

Full payment or 1st instalment **overdue.**

2nd payment due by 24th March 2017.

assisted students to develop responsibility by understanding the importance of role modelling values, upholding the trust of others, responding to needs and developing one's own strengths.

Session 2 – Topic 3: Outside the Box. This practical workshop taught students how to use a valuable tool for generating new and exciting ideas that need the necessary balance of being both creative and realistic. Activities during this session enabled students to have discussions with other schools to share experiences and generate ideas together.

Session 3 – Topic 4: Turning Ideas into Action. Often great ideas only ever remain as great ideas. This practical session taught students how to use a reliable process for bringing a great idea to life and following it through to the end.

All students enjoyed the highly motivated conference and took away many leadership strategies to use throughout their lives.

ELECTIONS

Congratulations to Brianna, who has been elected School Captain for 2017, Dakota, elected as Vice- Captain and Emily has been elected Sports Captain. Well done to all our Year 7 students.

Congratulations to all other students that were elected for SRC:

SRC REPS

Reception – Sam

Year 1 - Koby

Year 2 - Logan

Year 3 - Jacob

Year 4 - Toby

Year 5 - Kyla

Year 6 - Chloe

BACKUP

Cohby

Riley

Sienna

Nate

Annabelle

Jasmin

Camerin

The House Captains for 2017 are:

Rocks (Blue) - Brodie

Caves (Yellow) - Claire

Schank (Red) - Kate

I know all these students will lead our school successfully and do us proud.

Here is Brianna's Captains speech:

'Hello everybody, my name is Brianna. I believe that I would make a great school captain for Kongorong Primary School for 2017. This year I will bring leadership and hard work to the school. If you elect me this year as school captain, I will push for new swings in the older kid's playground. Have music played as well as activities in the arena at recess and lunch times and even more fun ideas. I have won an end of year award in Year 3 and heaps of other awards at this school. I have been an SRC at this school once. I am also in the White Ribbon Committee and have the knowledge to lead this school for 2017. I am a good and honest role model to everyone. I will try my hardest to make this school a happy place this year. Don't be

afraid to ask any questions. If you have any ideas I will try my hardest to make it happen, so everyone can be happy! So elect me Brianna for School Captain 2017.'

This year saw a new look process to electing School Captain/Sports Captain. The students were encouraged to write their own speeches why they wanted to be the School Captain or Sports Captain, skills they could offer and their big ideas for Kongorong Primary School & CPC for 2017. Students presented these speeches to the whole school and then the student body voted. All Year 7 students had to submit an application about being a leader, how they display respect and honest qualities. The students also needed to have a referee statement from a member of the community. Students then had the opportunity to experience an informal interview panel. The panel consisted of the Principal; Mrs. Hunt, UP Teacher: Mrs Galloway, and a Community Member: Barry Kuhl. The students were asked a series of questions and a real life scenario, they had to problem solve. All Year 7 students that participated took it in their stride, answered honestly and to the best of their abilities. Well Done. The panel then went through applications, referee statements and the interview questions. Then the panel elected the successful applicants.

KONGORONG SPORTS DAY

This year, Kongorong Primary School & CPC are very excited to hold their second school Sports Day. The proposed date is the 22nd March 2017. The time will be negotiated with the community, so please fill out the slip and return to Front Office by Monday 6th March 2017. This will be followed by a BBQ, drinks and ice-creams. The format will be similar to last year. This will once again give students an opportunity to develop, practise and compete in all events in preparation for the District Small Schools Sports Day. Once date and time have been confirmed, more information will be given out, so please save the date.

Veronica Jenkin, once again has offered her expertise to assist our students this year to practise for sports day. This years' District Sports Day will be held on Friday 31st March at Blue Lake Sports Park.

PARENT COMPLAINTS

Today you will receive a DECD parent complaint pamphlet. Please carefully read this and if you have any questions please contact the Principal.

WHITE RIBBON

Please continue to send in or drop off photos of "where will you put your White Ribbon". Families were asked to take a photo of your family with a home-made ribbon of your choice in a special location.

BUNNINGS BBQ

On Sunday 5th March, we are running the Bunnings BBQ from 9:00am to 4:00pm. The funds raised will be going towards Canberra Cam. If you would like to assist for 1 or 2 hours, please ring the Front Office tomorrow.

Michelle Hunt
Principal



KONGORONG SPORTS DAY 22/03/2017
PLEASE RETURN TO FRONT OFFICE BY MONDAY 6TH MARCH 2017

Family Name: _____

I would prefer the proposed start time for Kongorong Sports day to be: (please circle preference)

9:00am

2:00pm

3:00pm

Signed: _____

Parent/Caregiver

Any other comments or questions:



8th february Jacob

9th february troy

11th february Crystal

26th february Bam

26th february Gemma

9th March Declan

9th March Kate