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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Site Improvement Plan

Teachers are continuing to implement reciprocal teaching with a focus on questioning for their teaching sprints. As part of the site improvement plan, I am observing teacher practices in classrooms and giving feedback. Students have also set new reading goals using the literacy progressions.

The Reading Rocket Challenge continues, with 3 students reaching 40 nights and 2 students reaching 20 nights being rewarded with a special morning tea with Mrs Hunt in the Principal's office. The students will also receive a certificate. Happy reading everyone.

Preschool Survey

The 2023 Preschool Parent Opinion Survey is opened now. I encourage parents to participate in the survey, which closes midnight Friday 6 October, by using your preschool's unique link

https://survey.education.sa.gov.au/sc/Ne6MjGGkfq91hfTSC_knmw2

OR

QR Code:

https://chart.apis.google.com/chart?cht=qr&chs=350x350&chld=L&choe=UTF-8&chl=https://survey.education.sa.gov.au/sc/Ne6MjGGkfq91hfTSC_knmw2

Progressive Achievement Tests

All year 3-6 students have completed a PAT (Progressive Achievement Test) in Reading and Mathematics in week 7 -10. The information gained from these tests is invaluable to inform our teaching staff on where to go next with planning and programming. The PAT achievement information does not produce a report that is sent home to families. The year 1-2 students will participate in these tests in term 4, in weeks 1-4.

Our school values— Working Together, Respect, Striving for Success, Honesty, Tolerance

Our school vision—We encourage a love of learning, a strong sense of self, respect for others and the desire to become good global citizens. We promote independence and responsibility as we guide our school towards a positive future.

DIARY DATES

**Week 10—Wednesday 27th
September**

End of Term Assembly

Term 4

Student Free Day
20th October 2023

School Camp
Wednesday 8th—Friday 10th
November

Student Free Day
Friday 17th November

Swimming Week
Monday 20th—Friday 24th
November

School Concert
Tuesday 12th December

REMINDERS

Full payment of school fees are **overdue.**

Please pay as soon as possible or contact Stacey in the Front office for alternative arrangements/payment plans.

SAPSASA Cricket

Congratulation to Angus and Connor for being successful in making the Lower South East SAPSASA Cricket Team. They will participate in the state carnival in Adelaide in term 4.

Congratulations also to Claire for being selected in the Southern Country Zone SAPSASA Girls Cricket Team.

Save the Dates

Term 4 begins on October the 16th at 9:00am. In term 4 the Local Day of Significance for the Mt Gambier Show will be held on Friday the 20th of October. We will also be having a Student Free Day on Friday the 17th of November. The school will be closed for these two dates. Refer to the enclosed Term 4 calendar.

Tennis Hot Shots

On Tuesday 12th September students from Year 2—6 participated in Tennis Hot Shots against other schools from the South East. Tennis Hot Shots is tennis for kids! It's a program designed to help every child, no matter their age or ability, jump in and start playing tennis. Tennis Hot Shots is played on smaller courts with modified equipment, including lighter racquets, lower nets and low compression balls that don't bounce too high. Everyone had a fun time with some great matches played. Jamison was the recipient of the Sportsmanship award for Kongorong Primary School.

Father's Day Breakfast

A special thanks to all the fathers, grandfathers and special friends that attended the Kongorong Primary School and CPC Father's Day Breakfast. We hope you had a wonderful morning spending time with family and friends. Thanks to Stacey for cooking the BBQ and staff for helping on the day.



Upper Primary English

The Upper Primary have been creating ballads and limericks in English. Please see below a couple of examples.

The Naughty Dog

There once was a dog called Matt
One day he ate a big brown bat
The next day he was sick
So he had to leave quick
So he didn't get lazy and fat.

By Claire



The Big Race!

McQueen and Ramirez are talking on the phone
Saying that they need a race
To get Mater to come home
Mater needs to come back to take a place



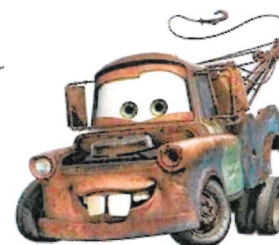
The day is very warm and sunny
As Mater drives in to town in reverse
Which everyone thinks is funny
He says G'day McQueen my driving is a curse



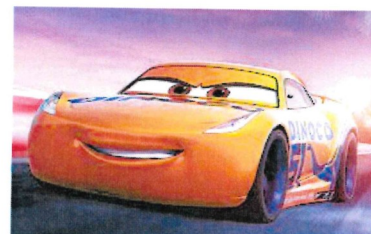
McQueen says Mater my old friend
Who are you keen to race today in the warm?
Who will you beat around the bend,
Will it be Cruz Ramirez or Jackson Storm?



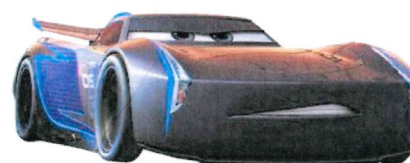
Mater doesn't want to race
He would rather someone else have a go
As he doesn't think he has the pace
To keep up with the faster cars, he's too slow!



At the start of the race, out on the track
The cars are all straight faced and ready to go
Cruz floors the engine and doesn't look back
Jackson is left behind feeling oh so slow



Jackson tries hard to catch Cruz
But Cruz is too fast and isn't slowing down
Jackson is angry as he will lose,
And he wears nothing but a frown.



By Jamison

YELP

For YELP five people from the UP class went to the Mount for a YELP meet up. We went to Wulanda Recreation & Convention Centre for the meet up. Our project is an aboriginal garden in the Lower Primary.

By Claire

Mini Camp

Day 1 highlights

On the 31st August we went to Mount Gambier for a mini camp that included everyone in the school. The mini camp included lots of activities on the camp. We first went to the Blue Lake Pumping Station for a tour. We got to go down the bottom to the water. We went to the Art Gallery for recess and Simon was really nice and brought us donuts. Once we ate our recess we got to go to the Winter Wonderland Room and make badges and bracelets. We went to the library for lunch. Then we went to the Lady Nelson.

By Brodie



Michelle Hunt
Principal

