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Week 8

June 19th

2019

DIARY
DATES

24th June – Year
4/5/6 to Mount
Wedge

26th June –
School Photos

27th June – R/1
Assembly

5th July – Mid-
Year Reports go
home

Respect

Caring

Fairness

Responsibility

Hello Everybody,

Mid-Year Reports

It won't be long before students receive their Mid-Year Reports: Friday 5th July in fact.

As a parent it is really important, as tempting as it may seem, to compare your child's results with others. It's hard to resist, as we tend to assess our progress in any area of life by checking out how we compare with our peers. You need to remember that each child has his or her own developmental clock, which is nearly impossible to alter. Benchmarking children's progress with that of other children is not a wise parenting strategy. Inevitably, it will lead to parent frustration, as there will always be a child who performs better than your own, on any scale you use.

The trick is to focus on your child's improvement and effort and use your child's results as the benchmark for his or her progress and development. "Your spelling is better today than it was a month ago" is a better measure of progress than "Your spelling is the best in the class!"

Take pride in your children's performance at school, in sport or their leisure activities. Seeing your child doing well is one of the unsung pleasures of parenting. You should also celebrate their achievements and milestones such as taking their first steps, getting their first goal in a game or getting great marks at school.

9-a-side Footy Carnival

Congratulations to our students who formed an amalgamated team with students from Elliston for last week's Footy Carnival at Cleve. Our students displayed great sportsmanship and came away with a healthy win-loss record. Well done students.

Mt Wedge Excursion

Mrs. Adams' class of Yr. 4/5/6 students will be off to Mt Wedge next Monday for a day of hiking and socialising with a class of similar age from Elliston Area School. This class-to-class relationship between the two schools has always been positive, and supports the social learning of all our students.

School Photos 26th June

Don't forget that school photo day will be Wednesday 26th June. It's always nice to have 100% attendance on such days. Can students please be in school uniform and be neatly groomed for the occasion.

Student Enrolments 2020

A BIG thank you to the majority of families who sent back their intentions about enrolments for 2020. This is really important data as we plan ahead. Information about next year will eventually be made visible, but for now there's always lots to consider. I feel ably supported by a dedicated staff team who aim for the best for every child.

School Assembly

The School Assembly has been postponed another week. It will definitely go ahead next Thursday 27th June in the Triple Block. This assembly will be hosted by the Pre-School, Reception and Yr. 1 students (of Miss Sampson's class). Things will kick-off at 2pm.



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Vicki Mundy's Farewell

Vicki has officially announced her retirement- a well-deserved retirement after so many years of supporting schools. She has been a stalwart of support across the Eyre and Far West regions, dealing with IT and network issues in the education sector. Her skill base and knowledge is nothing less than amazing. So consequently, we are extremely sorry to see her go. Staff will be acknowledging Vicki's service at a morning tea in the Staff Room, Friday 28th June at recess time (10.50am). If you have worked with Vicki at some stage of her engagement with Lock Area School and would like to attend, can you please RSVP Meryl so we can cater for you too.

Work Experience

Two of our Year 9 students will be gaining some valuable experience with MTA in Cleve during the last week of Term2. We wish Zane Palmer and Thomas Proctor all the very best.

School-based Apprenticeship

Bailey Brown who is doing Yr. 11 on-site through Open Access College, will be off to Sims Farm (Cleve) to do 2 days of training: "Working in Confined spaces and High Access." Bailey has been ably supported all year by the school's Co-ordinator (Pathways & OAC), Mrs. Bedding. We wish you well in all your endeavors Bailey.

Have an awesome week!

Peter

PCW CORNER**Neale Daniher – Just Inspirational!!!**

I wonder how many of you saw Neale Daniher's recent address to the Melbourne Football team prior to the Big Freeze the weekend before last. Oh my goodness! What an inspiration this man is! Diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease, a condition which affects the nerve cells, causing weakness in the muscles that gets worse and eventually leads to paralysis and death, Neale lives to fight the disease by raising awareness and funds for research. Neale shared that he has recently become a new grandfather to Cooper. He shared his hopes and dreams for his grandson. The message is amazing and so pertinent to us all. Life is good, but it doesn't promise to be fair. There will be good times, hard times and mundane times. Life can be tough! How do we conduct ourselves in the difficult times? Neale hopes that Cooper will not fold and become another life victim. He hopes that he will conduct himself in the "right manner when things get tough". He implores the players to have the moral courage to take responsibility and not play the victim with an attitude that says, "It wasn't my fault!" and refuses to do anything positive. He tells the players that it's up to each of us to look for the opportunities in our circumstances and warns that while we focus on self ("Poor... me!") and blaming others, we will not see those opportunities. Neale was diagnosed with MND in 2013 and while many would crumble and falter, he says that it was an opportunity for him to prevail, to find purpose and transcend what is happening to him. The choice as to how we respond to our circumstances is up to us. If you haven't seen the address, it is well worth a look. Neale Daniher, you are an inspiration!

Heather

PLEASE NOTE

The School Assembly will now be held **NEXT THURSDAY 27th JUNE at 2pm.** Run by the K/R/1 class.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

advancedlife photographers will be coming to the school next Wednesday June 26th. They will be taking photos from around 8.45 am. Could each child please wear full school uniform.

For the convenience of the school, school photos can be ordered and paid for online using a secure online platform. Orders placed online DO NOT require an envelope.

If you would like to have a family photo taken, (children at school only) these can be ordered online or envelopes available at the front office.

Please note – if paying by cash/cheque, the correct money needs to be placed in the envelopes and must be returned to the school no later than Tuesday June 25th.

BREAKFAST CLUB

This Thursday, 20th June 2019, breakfast will be available for students on arrival at school. Toast with vegemite or strawberry jam and pieces of orange and apple may be collected from the Home Economics room. Students, please enter and leave via the kitchen door on the northern side.

We thank Foodbank for providing the food to make this possible at no cost to the school or students.

SCAM ALERT

There are so many scams, and unfortunately, if you're not careful, you too could fall victim to one. The current SCAM ALERT we would like to bring to your attention is one that is operating under the NBN banner.

ACCC deputy chair Delia Rickard said, "Scammers are increasingly using trusted brands like 'NBN' to trick unsuspecting consumers into parting with their money or personal information."

The ACCC said some of the scams include people pretending to be NBN employees, either attempting to sell bogus NBN services over the phone or in person, or to steal personal information and banking details in various ways.

"We will never make unsolicited calls or door knock to sell broadband services to the public. People need to contact their preferred phone and internet service provider to make the switch," NBN Co chief security officer Darren Kane said. "We will never request remote access to a resident's computer and we will never make unsolicited requests for payment or financial information.

"It's also important to know that NBN does not make automated calls to tell you that you will be disconnected. If you get a call like this just hang up," Rickard added.

Australians over 65 are particularly vulnerable. "If you think a scammer has gained access to your personal information, such as bank account details, contact your financial institution immediately."

If you are uncertain and need a second opinion, then you could call

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Caleb, Jackson and Zane joined with the Elliston students to participate in the 9-a-side football carnival at Cleve.

