Thursday 30th, May 2013

Dear Parents and Carers

It was a pleasure to watch our students in the Stylin’ Up Dance Competition last Saturday. These students had practised regularly at lunch breaks and on Tuesday afternoon with a Hip Hop teacher funded by the Brisbane City Council. They performed well and were placed third in the competition. Congratulations to all those children who represented the school so well.

Sport

On the sporting front we have had a number of children trialling for various district sport’s teams. Congratulations also to Mitchell Hansen for his participation at the Regional Cross Country Competition on Tuesday. Mitchell placed 40th, 16 places ahead of last year in the regional competition. Mitchell has taken his Cross Country Training very seriously. Again, well done.

Commissioning

Last Monday saw the Commissioning Service for Felicity McClenaghan. Members of the Local Chaplaincy Committee took part in this service.

Kinex Lunches

Both 3/4L and 6/7J have participated in the Kinex Lunch Program since the last newsletter. After participating in classroom activities, the classes then shared a lunch with their parents before entertaining the school with a song featuring an anti-bullying message and a Hip Hop Dance respectively. Invitations for Kinex lunches are sent out in the week prior to the luncheon and are also advertised in the Upcoming Dates in this newsletter.

Absences

All Day, Every Day, Ready to Learn, On time

Accompanying this newsletter is a printout of record of attendance for each of your children. Where attendance has been less than 85% a letter has been sent home. I was shocked to see that only 54% of Prep students attended school last Friday. Attendance in the lower school is not good. It is in these years that the foundation for all education is laid down. Please return the printout with reasons for absences if you have them. In an effort to improve attendance three children who had had perfect attendance were drawn out of a hat and received a school fleece as a reward. One fleece a week will be drawn and awarded to a student whose attendance has been 100% for the previous week. Arriving late disqualifies a child from the draw. Congratulations to Tanisha, Colleen and Aaron, the winners this week.
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Myatt Testing

On Tuesday, Year 7 students undertook the MYATT Test. This test is administered by Forest Lake State High School and is used to identify children for the Lighthouse Program. This program identifies gifted children entering Year 8 and streams them into an academic program.

4/5 Camp

We have some very excited Year 4 and 5 students as they anticipate their camp next week. I would like to thank Mr Hill for his organisation of the camp and the P&C for paying for the bus. This has made the camp very feasible for parents of those children attending camp.

Mini Behaviour Day

Last Friday saw 209 children participate in our Mid Term Mini Behaviour Rewards. This is 97.6% of our students. WOW. It is wonderful to see so many children being rewarded for their wonderful behaviour at school.

School Banking

Information regarding school banking has gone home with children. We have had a number of students already signing up. Bank books will be collected in the office each Friday morning and the funds then deposited and books returned to the children. Banking starts this Friday!

Wendy Hoskin
Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Winter Uniform

Fleeces are now available from the office. The fleece is $25 and there are a small number of winter long pants in microfibre for $15.

Under 8’s Day

Last Thursday students from Prep to Year 3 participated in our annual Under 8’s day celebration. Students and families enjoyed many activities including face painting, fruit loop threading, crown making, bubbles, quotes, ribbon dance, chalk drawing and water play. Our brand new Prep playground was also well utilised on the day. It was also great to see so many of our Year 6/7 students assisting with activities. Thank you to all the families who attended. Many memories were certainly created.

Angela Sharry

NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL SAFELY DAY

On Friday 24 May students at Carole Park State School participated in National Walk To School Safely Day. Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine. 78 students walked to school safely on Friday. The class with the most students walking safely to school was 4/5H. They were rewarded for their great effort with a healthy fruit platter. As a part of these activities a colouring competition was run with many great entries. The following student entries won a prize of a podometer and drink bottle: Odrey (Prep), Jarar (Year 2), Jessica (Year 6) and Tanish (Year 7). Well done to all students!

Angela Sharry

Firemen’s Visit

On Monday we had a visit from the Fire Brigade. The following were recounts of their visit. Ewen Bremner: On Monday the firemen came and they told us about the fire and they are coming back to show us all about the fire engine and what it does. The man dressed up in the fireman uniform.

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