Friday 9 November 2012

Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful assembly last Friday with five of our boys singing and accompanying themselves on the ukulele. Mr Wells has been working with a group of children who are keen to play. Well done boys.

Behaviour

As we approach the final half of the Term I have been reminding students that failure to follow the instructions of staff at school can lead to suspension; especially if the behaviour is encroaching on the learning time of students. Last week we had a number of students who were not following instructions. Unfortunately I believe that the sugar intake of some students following Halloween contributed to this. This is a reminder that fighting at school is not acceptable behaviour and can lead to suspension.

This behaviour comes from a very small minority of students. Of our 226 students, 208 are today participating in a mini behaviour rewards session and all received ice creams today as our way of recognising the good behaviour in our school.

Foodbank Christmas Appeal

Some of you may have seen a photograph in the South-west News that highlights the Christmas Appeal that is being undertaken by Foodbank. We are fortunate that both our Breakfast and Lunch Programs are supported by Foodbank and Goodna RSL Club. To that end we are collecting non-perishable foods to be donated back to Foodbank. A single tin of food purchased whilst shopping quickly adds up and is a way we can say thank you to an organisation that supports us.

Three Little Pigs Endangered Animals

On Thursday 15 November Queensland Arts Council will present Three Little Pigs Endangered Animals at our school.

Three Little Pigs Endangered Animals is an interactive theatre experience that follows Bilby, Cassowary and their friend Dugong who learn how their homes are in danger and what may be done to save them. The production introduces primary school students to endangered Australian animals, animal and human habitats and the issue of sustainability.

SHOW: Three Little Pigs Endangered Animals
DATE: Thursday 15 November
COST: $6 per student or $15 for a family of three or more

Queensland Arts Council is a not-for-profit, non-government organisation, dedicated to bringing the arts to Queensland students. This program is funded with the assistance of the Queensland Department of Education and Training.
Volunteer Grant
On Friday I was notified by Bernie Rippoll’s Office that the P&C was successful in their grant application for funding for Volunteer Organisations. This funding will assist with tuck-shop, uniform shop and hall enhancements. Congratulations to the P&C

Wendy Hoskin
Principal

From the Classroom

Last Friday students in 5/6D buddies up with 1/2B for an afternoon of visual art. Students enjoyed the experience and produced beautiful pieces of work!

Except of poetry analysis by Zaina, 5/6D
Kelly Oliver, the author of “Ancient Heart,” describes Uluru as if it is alive. She uses the words, “Your vast red cheeks,” and “blush of light and colour” to describe the rock. She also uses alliteration and personification such as, “Breathing, beating.” “Solid and comforting “...you’ve sat in silent watchfulness.” She says these words to make us think that Uluru has its own natural beauty. The words, “silent watchfulness” make me feel like the rock is there, looking at us, taking care of us.

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Kelly Oliver wrote Ancient Heart to express her feelings about Uluru. The theme she has written about is guardianship. The guardians of Uluru are the Indigenous people. We know that the Indigenous are the guardians because she uses the words, “Once again your Guardians Protecting you, understanding Your place and your presence.” The audience are the people who respect Uluru and how old it is.

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Wild Term Carole Park Bike Day

This Friday students who meet Carole Park State School behaviour expectations in all school settings will be invited to attend a Mini-Carole Park Bike Celebration. This is a celebration of behaviour and being a Caregiving, Committed and Courageous member of our school. Students who are selected to participate have not had any major behaviour incidents (three or more minor incidents are counted as a major) recorded during Term 4.

We currently have a HUGE number of the students attending which is a fantastic achievement for Carole Park State School.