Principal’s Report

Education Week begins on Monday 20th May.

On Monday evening at 7.00 p.m. our year five and six students with their families are invited to attend a special slide night. The students will be sharing their recent Kangarooie Camp experiences through photographs. The presentation will be held in the Year Five Six Learning Area. On Tuesday 21st May we are holding our 2014 Prep Evening from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This will provide an opportunity for parents of prospective prep students to visit and make enquiries about 2014 enrolments. We have recently had a very successful Prep Discovery morning held on Tuesday 7th May when we had over twenty enthusiastic preschoolers enjoy a typical morning in Prep. This evening session on Tuesday will involve a virtual tour of the school capturing all the wonderful learning opportunities that are available at Gray St followed by the Q&A session.

On Wednesday 22nd May, to celebrate Education Week we are having a special ‘Italian’ morning from 9.00 - 11.15 a.m. Italian as you may know was successfully introduced into our curriculum last year through our Prep classes and this year our year one students have continued with their Italian studies and the preps have begun their studies. For the Italian morning the students will be in multi age groupings and will rotate around three activities: Mask Decorating which fits with the Carnivale spirit, a celebration of the traditional Italian story Pinocchio and jewelry making using the tradition Italian food pasta to make some original designs. Parents are most welcome to come and see the activities in action. All students will have the opportunity to experience a cone of gelati as a treat at recess. Lyn in the canteen is offering a special Italian lunch menu on the day. A note regarding this has been sent home and needs to be returned with money tomorrow (for ordering purposes).

Today, the Grade Three and Five students completed their NAPLAN testing I would like to congratulate them all on the way in which they enthusiastically participated in the battery of tests especially the grade three students as this is a totally new experience for them. Special thanks to the teachers who supplied healthy treats and in the Year Three area a ‘Hobbits Breakfast’ to support the students through the experience.

Last Thursday at the Mother’s Day Stall all students had the opportunity to purchase a special gift. The students were all very excited selecting the gift which they believed would be the best for the person they were buying for. All the gifts were beautifully presented which is thanks to the wonderful parents who helped out with the stall Janelle Biggins and Nicki Downes and to Bonita O’Brien and Kim Sparrow for their organising and preparation for the stall. Without help from our parents, such events could not be possible.

Finally, all the best to our Hamilton District Cross Country competitors who will be competing at the lake tomorrow weather permitting; unfortunately the competition was cancelled on Wednesday due to the severe weather conditions.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Helen

Casual Dress Day
‘a little bit of country’
Tomorrow – Friday 17th May
Gold Coin Donation
Money Matters – Grade Six

The grade six classrooms buzz on a Friday morning as they create their own business world. Firstly they calculate their tax and pay a visit to the tax office. Then they pay their weekly bills including water, electricity, rent/rates, telephone, groceries and petrol. The students then work in pairs to stock, complete paperwork, advertise and sell goods for a particular business. The students are aiming to buy and furnish a house, buy a car and have enough clothes for their pretend family of two adults and two children by the end of the year. The program covers a lot of curriculum areas including Mathematics and Economics. It fosters teamwork and organisation and is definitely a highlight of the students’ week.

Artist of the Week

Kobe – for a fabulous monster picture

Lily, Alera and Emilee – for their magnificent 3D house construction

Grade 5/6 Slide Night

The grade five and six children, along with their families, are invited to share in a slide night. The children will be sharing their Kangarooie Camp experiences with you through photographs. It will be held on Monday 20th May at 7pm in the 5/6 learning area. Hope to see you all there.

District Cross Country

The District Cross Country will take place on Friday 17th May.

This day is also a “Country” casual dress day. Students participating in the Cross country can wear the following:

- “Country Casual Dress Day clothes and bring their sports clothes and get changed at lunch time.(and bring a gold coin donation) OR
- Wear their sports clothes all day

Student will leave school at 1.45pm, ready to start running at 2.15pm
New Uniform

The Uniform Shop will be open Tuesdays from 8.30 to 9.00am and 3.00 to 3.30p.m. for sizing purposes only.

Please hand Uniform Orders with payment (cash, cheque or credit card) into the office.

OSHClub News

Things we need
Small cans, boxes – like tissue, cereal, biscuit boxes
OSHclub Staff

Safeway Earn & Learn

Safeway are running the Earn and Learn promotion in 2013. Stickers are available from Safeway please keep collecting!!

Gray St Music Room

Make-Over Fundraiser Night

@ Blue Malt Café

Saturday 18th May, 8pm

Special guest Phil Holmes

will be performing!

Light Supper provided and
Drinks at bar prices

Tickets $25

@ the School office

Canteen

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Also available at the canteen:

Monday Recess ONLY   Egg & Bacon Muffins $2.50  (Toasted English Muffin, egg, bacon and tomato sauce)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday Lunch Order Only  - Chicken and Veg Pies $2.80  (Four & Twenty School Range)