

Rubbish Free Lunch Day
Every Wednesday!

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T20 Cricket Blast

Last Friday all the children from Year 2 to Year 6 participated in the annual T20 Blast Cricket Day. We were able to enter two teams and it was very pleasing to see the skill development as the day progressed. All the children displayed excellent sportsmanship and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Special mention must be made of Stella Peppernell-Baks and Bronte O'Brien who led the junior team by example. They were supportive and encouraging of the younger students, many of whom were playing their first games of cricket outside the playground! Our senior team were undefeated on the day and displayed some fine batting, bowling and fielding skills.



Our teams looked very smart in their new sports shirts. A very big thank you to our wonderful P&C for purchasing these smart shirts for the children to wear on such occasions.



Mrs Rae's maths groups have been learning about large numbers, square numbers and triangular numbers. Siobhan has been learning what 10,000 looked like by building a tower of thousands blocks to represent 10,000. Bridget and Stella enjoyed making square and triangular number sequences.



Music Count Us In!

MCUI is Australia's biggest school initiative. With support from The Australian Government, it has run since 2007 and is all about celebrating the value of music education to students' development, whoever they are, wherever they are. It involves more than 600,000 students, teachers - and often parents - from schools all over Australia who sign up to learn, rehearse, then perform the same song, on the same day, at the same time.

On Thursday the Year 2-6 students joined in to sing "Keep On". They watched the live streaming from Melbourne prior to the performance and saw Harrison Craig, the winner of "The Voice" perform.



Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the Parent's Guide to the NSW Primary Syllabus.

This document has been updated to reflect the new K-10 syllabuses for English, Mathematics, Science and Technology and History.

TERM 4, 2013 CALENDAR

WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5	4 Speech Pathologist visiting WR Cricket	5 WR Cricket	6 WR Cricket	7 WR Cricket	8
6	11 Remembrance Day Speech Pathologist visiting	12	13 Library Van Galloping Gumnuts	14 Musica Viva 2014 Yr 7 orientation day MHS	15
7	18 Speech Pathologist visiting Prac student commences	19 Go Go Golf P & C Meeting 2pm	20	21	22
8	25	26	27 Galloping Gumnuts	28	29 Prac student finishes
9	2 December Swimming Lessons	3 Swimming Lessons	4 Swimming Lessons Library Van	5 Swimming Lessons	6 Swimming Lessons
10	9	10	11 Galloping Gumnuts	12	13 Presentation Evening 7 pm Nugget News deadline
11	16 Life Skills Auction	17 Children's Christmas Picnic	18	19	20

School Photos were taken on Wednesday morning—They will be returned to school shortly and parents will be able to order copies. Payment **MUST** be made at time of ordering.



Why we should talk to our children



When we talk with our children we are teaching them how to talk, listen and interact with others. So, your child could be showing you something they've done, asking you a question or talking about their day - these brief chats are all chances for your child to learn.

For infants, any sound can be a way of communicating with them. Talk, sing and coo to them as much as you can. Name things around them as you talk. This is how they learn what things are called.

As they get older, kids will start to name things. They might point and say "truck". You could reply, "Yes. It's a red truck." So you have let them know they are right, given them a new word and put it all in a simple sentence for them.

Toddlers and preschool-age children ask lots of questions. They are starting to explore their world and will ask you about things they don't understand or things that worry them.

When they come to you and ask, pause what you are doing briefly, give them your attention, and listen to what they say. You can also ask them questions about what they think.

Talking to your children also sets up a relationship between parent and child. They are more likely to feel free and safe to talk to you. And this is so important as they grow up. From Triple P "positive parenting program"

If you would like more information please contact Barnardos on 63721422

Student of the Week



Bronte O'Brien and Stella Peppernell-Baks
For excellent leadership at the T20 Blast Cricket Day



Gemma Colley
For fantastic improvement in Reading and Writing