PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM & RESILIENCE
Our peer support program started on Wednesday. The Stage 3 teachers have worked hard to plan a program that will assist all students in developing resilience and handling different bullying situations. The groups this year have been organised into gender groups as we believe the issues can be different for boys and girls. Please take the time to talk to your child every Wednesday about what they did and what they learnt. Some resources about resilience are included with this newsletter.

VISIT BY JULIE OWENS MP
Our Federal Member of Parliament, Julie Owens, visited our school on Monday. She met with our student leaders for over an hour. During this time she learnt all about our school and how our leadership program works. The students had an opportunity to ask her about a range of things. World issues and the budget did not escape the conversation. I was impressed with our student’s thoughtful questions and their respectful manner. I would like to thank Julie for taking the time out of her busy schedule to visit our school.

PRIZE WINNER
Cat-Lien Bui attended a presentation on Wednesday at the Interrelate Headquarters in Bella Vista. Cat-Lien received her award for her excellent poster about what the school would look like without bullying.

NAPLAN
Correction - Results will be sent out to parent in term 4, not term 3.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL
Walk safely to school day was today. This is a national event when all Primary School children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. This week has seen 4 students across Sydney alone hit by cars. The students have and will continue to be taught what it means to be a safe pedestrian. I ask all parents to hold their child’s hand and be vigilant.

Craig Brown PRINCIPAL

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

CRUNCH AND SIP
Please remember to give your child something for crunch and sip each day. This provides a much needed energy boost in the morning session and is heavily supported by research into the positive impact it can have on your child’s education. If you are looking for some interesting ideas, please visit: https://healthy-kids.com.au/

MENTAL MATHS STRATEGIES
We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here : www.bit.ly/JkiUsY

TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Bruce Francis DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

DEBATING NEWS
On Thursday, 22nd May our Senior Debating team completed Round 1 of the Premier’s Debating Competition. This is an impromptu debate. The students are given 1 hour to prepare without any help, they find out their topic on the day. Our team, Lily Louden, Mikayla Fuller, Claire Moutter and Lale Kaya debated against Dundas Public School and were successful in their debate. The topic was ‘Children should have more holidays’, we were given the negative side of the debate. I would like to congratulate all the girls on their manner and the way they held themselves. I was very proud.

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ZONE X-COUNTRY

Congratulations to our team today. I believe all that training was well worth the final results.

HOT OFF THE PRESS: Congratulations to Corey Petroff 1st; Jack McLuckie 2nd; Tallara Bamblett 2nd; Audrey Nadaya-Harb 3rd; Max Spackman 4th; Lily Louden 4th; Caleb Peterson 5th; Dylan McMahon 8th; Nathan Anderson 8th; Elizabeth Navarro 9th; Cameron Drinan 11th; Summer Leahy 12th; Sarvin Kanapathpillai 13th; Gabriella Farrugia 13th; Claire Mouster 14th; Eva Nadaya-Harb 14th; Ashleigh Tai 20th; Jet Smith 21st; Imogen Falzon 21st; Mariah Single 22nd; Jarod Wright 26th; Joshua Buttigieg 28th; Jong Lee 38th; Mila Purkovic 41st; on a wonderful effort.

LIBRARY NEWS - MEET MORRIS GLEITZMAN

Popular Children’s author, Morris Gleitzman will be visiting the Children's Bookshop at Beecroft on Monday 2 June at 7pm to introduce his new novel “Loyal Creatures”. This is a free event but bookings are essential. RSVP by phoning 9481-8811 or email: staff@thechildrensbookshop.com.au.

Renata Redman TEACHER/LIBRARIAN

TOONGABBIE LADIES TWILIGHT MARKETS- ONE WEEK TO GO!

On Friday 30 May, at 7.00pm, Toongabbie and Stage 3 will be hosting a twilight market. We have a number of exciting stalls that I am sure will interest you. The entry cost is $10 for the evening. Tickets are available at the office. Raffle tickets, which are $1.00 each will be set home with the students on Monday. Please return all tickets sold or unsold to the office before Friday. Great prizes to win.

CANTEEN NEWS

Students who are in the PSSA teams are asked to tell the canteen ladies when ordering their lunch. This allows them to get the order ready in time for early lunch before going off to play sport.

JELLY DAY

We will be having a special Jelly Day on Friday 30 May at recess. Jellies will be 50c each, so come along and enjoy one.

MEAL DEAL – WEDNESDAY 4 JUNE 2014

The next Meal Deal at the canteen will be Wednesday 4 June. We will be selling Fried Rice, Chicken Tenders and a Drink for $4.50.

Please place your order on a brown paper bag and hand it to the canteen before Tuesday 3 June. Vegetarian option available. Sorry no late orders accepted.

BAND NEWS – BUNNING BBQ FUNDRAISER – THANKYOU!

A BIG thank you to all the parents who supported our fundraiser at Bunnings last Sunday. We appreciated your donations, help and support very much. Thank you also to the families who came along and bought our sausages and cakes. It was a great success with approx $1800.00 being raised. A great effort.

WANTED

We are looking for parents who would be able to help us by covering “HOME READERS” with contact. If you are able to assist, please see Mrs Redman in the Library.

PSSA DRAWS FOR 30 May, 2014

Soccer vs Metella Blue at Binalong Oval
OzTag Toony White vs Beresford Road at Binalong
Toony Red vs Darcy Road at Binalong
Girls Soccer vs Darcy Road at Binalong
Netball Toony White vs Metella Gold at Binalong
Toony Red vs Wanderers at Binalong

For all your automotive needs, visit the Hills Auto Centre.
Toongabbie Ladies Twilight Market

Friday, 30th May 2014. 7pm till late

@ Toongabbie Public School, Fitzwilliam Road.
($10 entry. This includes champagne/soft drink on arrival and finger food)

Tickets will be available from next week at the school canteen. Pre sale of tickets will help us with catering. This event is open to females in the school community as well as the wider community. Please come along, bring a friend and enjoy a wonderful evening. We have over 20 market stalls participating, including:

- Cupcakes/slices/truffles
- Jennifer Kale creations- soft animals, bags and owls etc
- Fancy schumancy gift bags
- Foxy’s jewellery
- Choo Choo belle kids clothing
- Unique reflections acrylic mirrors and clocks
- French crepes
- Tatoo fun
- Thermomix demonstrations
- Mademoiselle-French provincial homewares
- Beaded jewellery
- Mens shed
- Secondhand book stall
- Wax/tinter beautician
- Card stall
- Independent phoenix trader- greeting cards, gift wrap and stationery
- Fancy cupcakes
- Candles
- Children’s items
- PLUS MANY MORE…………

(Don’t forget to bring some dollar coins to purchase tickets in the awesome raffle)

**TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE**