PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

ICAS | Results for 2015
The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) are independent skills-based assessments. These are available to students in Years 3 – 6.

This year, we had a total of 277 students participate in ICAS. We received great results again this year. Our results are:
- High Distinction: 5 students
- Merit: 26
- Distinction: 38 students
- Credit: 90

This is a great achievement for both the school and all of the students that participated.

Yours sincerely,
Debbie Mierisch | Principal
Karlie Gooding | Assistant Principal

DIARY DATES | Next Week
- Mon 30 Nov: Foundation 2016 Parent Information Night [7 – 8pm]
- ALL WEEK: YR 4 | Bike Education
- Wed 2 Dec: Parent Helper's Morning Tea
- Wed 2 Dec: YR 5 | Incursion – Lead the Way
- Wed 2 Dec: YR 1 | Appreciation Afternoon Tea
- Fri 4 Dec: Bookpack Collections [8.30 – 9.30am | 3 – 4pm]

Full Calendar details available in Compass.

DIARY DATES | Special Events
- Thu 10 Dec: Milgate Carol’s Night
- Fri 11 Dec: End of Year Celebrations
- Tue 15 Dec: Year 6 Graduation
- Thu 17 Dec: Meet new teacher for 2016
- Fri 18 Dec: LAST DAY | Dismissal at 1pm

REMINDERS
LATE ARRIVALS [after 9am bell]
Students must report to the Office to be signed in by an Office staff member.

EARLY DEPARTURES
Parents are required to have an Office staff member record the early departure BEFORE collecting your child.

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SCHOOL NEWS

STUDENT REPORTS & PORTFOLIOS
Monday 14 December
On this day parents will be able to access student reports via Compass by 2pm. Students in Foundation - Year 2 will bring their student portfolios home with them on this day, while students in Years 3 – 6 will have their portfolios available on their iPads for parents to view.

SPORTS NEWS
Cricket Semi Final
Our boys Cricket Team played Serpell PS in a District Semi Final on Wednesday 25th November. The boys all played an outstanding game and were a real credit to Milgate PS. The final score was Serpell PS 122 runs defeated Milgate PS 82 runs. Many thanks to the parents who assisted driving the students on Wednesday and to Sam Pisano who coached the boys throughout the season.

CHRISTMAS SWEEPSTAKES RAFFLE FUNDRAISER
Raffle Tickets for the Sweepstakes have been sent home. Please offer them to your friends, family and neighbours and start returning the money and ticket stubs to your Class Teacher. The Raffle will be drawn at the Milgate Carols Night on Thursday 10 December.

DONCARE CHRISTMAS DRIVE
Once again, we ask the families of Milgate to think of those less fortunate than ourselves living in the Manningham area and make a donation for them this Christmas. Please place your donation under the Christmas tree located in the School Office Foyer. Items most in need are non-perishable food items and toys for school-aged children. New items only please.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD
Any relevant material is posted on our noticeboard [located outside the Art room] as a service to our school community. Recent articles include:

- Girls Footy 2016 | Beverley Hills Football Club
- Wildlife Detectives ‘Adventures After Dark’ Night Walk | Fri 11 Dec
- Community Christmas Celebration | Sun 6 Dec

COLLECTION DAYS | Student Supply Packs
Students in Years 1 - 6 in 2016
Student book/supply packs will be available for collection from the Community Room on:
- Friday 4 December 8.30 - 9.30am 3.00 - 4.00pm
- Monday 7 December 8.30 - 9.30am 3.00 - 4.00pm
- Tuesday 8 December 8.30 - 9.30am 3.00 - 6.00pm

Students in Foundation/Prep in 2016
Foundation students’ stationery will be delivered directly to their classrooms. We request payment to be made to the Office before Friday 18 December 2015.

2016 CAMP | Parent Helpers
If you are interested in being considered as a Parent Helper at one of our Camps in 2016, please return your completed ‘Camp Dates & Helpers Notice’ form. The form is available on Compass either in:
- News Feed [on right-hand side of Homepage]
- School Documentation [located under Community]

Please return the form to your classroom teacher and your details will be added to our list. Parents will be contacted next year by Mr Will to confirm a place.

LIBRARY BOOKS
Just a reminder to return all library books by Friday 4 December. Thank you!

2016 DATES
Wed 27 Jan Curriculum Day | No students at school
Thu 28 Jan School Starts for students in Yrs 1 - 6
Fri 29 Jan School Starts for Foundation students [8.50am – 12.30pm]
Mon 1 Feb First full day for Foundation students

2016 TERM DATES

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