PRINCIPAL’S PERSPECTIVE

On Tuesday our Year 6 students went to the City on the Milgate City Marathon. They were in groups with a teacher or parent and had planned out their routes and places to visit prior to the day. They had a wonderful time navigating the city and seeing places of interest. It is a great opportunity as they had planned their route prior to the visit - times for catching trams, trains, walking and visiting. They enjoyed the experience. Karen Young, a teacher visiting Milgate PS from the University of Columbia in Canada also went on the Milgate City Marathon. She is here for 3 weeks at Milgate to learn about Australian education.

The Foundation students had an RACV incursion this week and learnt about safety on the road, road rules, how to cross the road and safety when riding a bike or walking on the street. On Wednesday night many parents attended the student led conferences with their children. It was good to see the students talking to their parents about their learning and explaining it to them. This is a good opportunity for parents to hear from their children about the learning and for students to be articulate in explaining it. This demonstrates their understanding and the purpose of their learning. The parents and students all enjoyed the experience. If parents would like an individual parent teacher interview with their child’s teacher this can be arranged with the teacher for Tuesday 21 June.

Student reports will be available for parents to access on COMPASS on Monday.

On Thursday night the students who learn a musical instrument took part in a musical concert. They played and sang to the parents and are all developing their musical talents. There were guitars, drums, keyboard, violin and singing items.

Well done to all of them.

Yours sincerely,”

Debbie Mierisch  |  Principal
Karlie Gooding  |  Assistant Principal

DIARY DATES | Next Week
Fri 24 Jun  |  END OF TERM
            |  2.30pm Dismissal

UPCOMING DATES
Wed 13 July | CURRICULUM DAY
Mon 8 Aug   | CURRICULUM DAY

Full calendar details available in Compass.

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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LAST DAY - TERM 2  |  Friday 24 June
Dismissal at 2.30pm
Students on holidays before the end of term are requested to enter the upcoming absence in Compass.
ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERS | Garden Award
We are very proud to announce that Milgate Primary School was chosen to be a 2016 Victorian School Garden Awards ‘Maintenance Grant’ recipient. As such, we received a $300 gift voucher, which we are delighted to say that we have already put to very good use! On Thursday afternoon, Miss Iacuone and Miss Cergol visited Beasley’s Nursery and brought back a carload of seedlings. Then on Friday, 4SI and 5JC worked incredibly hard to prepare our garden beds and plant carrots, several varieties of kale, lettuce, cabbages, cauliflower, mint, parsley, rosemary, silver beet, oregano, coriander, spring onions, lemons and limes!

As you can see in the photos, the garden now looks fantastic! Listen out for announcements in the near future detailing when you will be able to purchase the vegetables and herbs students have grown and harvested.

Jasmine Cergol | Environmental Teacher

School Disco | Thursday 23 June
The School Disco is next week! Pre-order your tickets now! Please complete and return the form that was sent home or download it here <insert link> along with the payment of $8 per child. If you are able to help out on the night, it would be really appreciated (especially dads!). Please note that only Milgate students may attend (no friends or pre-school aged siblings).

Cadbury Fundraiser
Please help us raise funds to improve the school by selling Cadbury chocolates to your family, friends and work mates. If you want to steer clear of the sugar, a donation would be appreciated. Every box sold raises $20 for the school. Please complete the order form and return it to school.

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:
- School Holiday Programs
STUDENT REPORTS
PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Teachers are currently writing student reports and these will be available to parents on COMPASS from Monday 20 June.

If parents would like an individual parent teacher meeting / interview with their child’s teacher, these will be conducted on Tuesday 21 June and parents can organise the time directly with the teacher.

YEAR 6 | EXCURSION: The Milgate City Marathon
Over the last two weeks, our Year 6 students completed a standalone mathematics unit titled ‘The Milgate City Marathon’. This involved a week of strategic planning in small groups, using maps and public transport timetables in preparation for the marathon.

On the day of the marathon, each group put their plan into action and caught trams, trains and buses around the Melbourne CBD in an attempt to complete as many challenges and collect as many points as possible at the specific locations they chose and planned to visit.

This excursion was thoroughly enjoyed by students, and extremely exhausting for parent and teacher helpers who supervised each group as they raced around the City. Thanks again to the parent helpers who came along on the day.
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Parents are welcome to stay for the Prep - Yr3 session, however we ask that only those who have volunteered as parent helper, stay for the Yr4 - Yr6 session (pre-school aged children may not be brought to the disco).

Please fill out the form opposite if you would like to volunteer on the night, but be quick, numbers are limited!

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