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PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

Milgate PS teacher on ABC Splash

The ABC has a digital education site, ABC Splash:

www.splash.abc.net.au

Splash brings together educationally rich audio-visual resources from the ABC and beyond, for an audience of teachers, students and parents. It has some excellent resources in many subject areas at all levels for students to access at home.

The ABC Splash is having a series of live streams in coming months, aimed at a teacher audience. The streams will be interview-style conversations with a range of educators, with the aim of giving teachers a place to find and share great teaching ideas. Guests will discuss some of the things that have really worked for them in the classroom and answer questions that come in from our online audience of teachers. Fiona Bashford, one of our Milgate teachers, will be the primary maths-focused teacher guest talking about Maths education and answering teacher questions. Fiona was selected to be the Maths teacher on this program from maths teachers around Australia. Congratulations to Fiona and we look forward to hearing the live stream on Wednesday 10 May. A great promotion for Milgate PS and our maths programs.

Student achievements and opportunities

Over the last few weeks several of our students have obtained awards in sports, karate and dance. One of the students was one of 15 young Bollywood dancers selected from all of Melbourne to perform at Rod Laver Arena last weekend on stage with a famous Bollywood actor. She was the youngest dancer on the stage. Another of our students sang the national anthem at the ANZAC ceremonies both last Sunday and on Anzac Day at the Doncaster RSL. We have many talented students at Milgate PS and what wonderful opportunities for them all.

Yours sincerely,

Debbie Mierisch
Principal

Karlie Gooding
Assistant Principal

David Mander
Assistant Principal [Acting]

DIARY DATES

Mon 1 May	District Cross Country [selected students] 12.30-3pm
Wed 3 May	YR F Guide Dog Speaker
Wed 3 May	YR5 Incursion - Bully Zero
Wed 3 May	Bully Zero Parent Session 2 - 3.30pm Staffroom
Thu 4 May	YR4 Excursion - Geocaching
Sat 6 May	OPEN MORNING 9.30-11.30am
Fri 30 Jun	LAST DAY of Term 2 2.30pm Dismissal

2017 DATES

Fri 12 May	CURRICULUM DAY No School for students
Thu 14 Dec	Carol's Night 7pm
Fri 15 Dec	End of Year Celebrations
Tue 19 Dec	Year 6 Graduation
Thu 21 Dec	Meet new Teacher / Class
Fri 22 Dec	LAST DAY of 2017 1.00pm Dismissal

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 [before 3.30pm]
Parents are required to have an Office staff member record the early departure BEFORE collecting your child from their classroom.

Parents are still required to enter their approval into Compass afterwards.

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2017 TERM DATES

Term 1	30 January	31 March
Term 2	18 April	30 June
Term 3	17 July	22 September
Term 4	9 October	22 December

CURRICULUM DAY | Friday 12 May
Report Writing Day – no school for students.



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ANZAC CEREMONY | Thursday 20 April

Our school leaders, Charlotte, Stevaan, Megan and Nicholas, along with Miss Bashford attended the Rotary Club of Templestowe Schools ANZAC service at the Templestowe Memorial Reserve. Members of the Australian Defence Force were there and the army band played. The Mayor of Manningham City Council, Cr Michelle Kleinert, spoke along with other dignitaries.

There were around 800 students from schools in Manningham in attendance. We listened to the reading of the ANZAC Requiem, a bugler musician from the army played the Reveille and the Last Post before and after a minute of silent tribute. At the end of the ceremony all schools laid wreaths at the memorial in memory of the ANZACs and those who have died in wars around the world.



YEAR 5 INCURSION | Wednesday 26 April Koky Saly

As part of the inquiry, How We Organise Ourselves, Koky Saly, the founder of BeeKeeper Parade came and spoke the Year 5 students. The students were enthralled to hear the stories of his early life where he was born in a Cambodian prison during the Pol Pot regime, the kindness that strangers showed his family to ensure their safety and the precious memories he has of his beloved little sister. Koky inspired the students to dream big, be creative and change the world – because everyone has a superhero power and imagination is all you need to make a dream come true. His presentation will lead into the students' Makers Market, where they will sell products to the school community. The students will concentrate on upcycling and creating products that will make the world a better place.



SAFETY ON THE ROADS AROUND THE SCHOOL

Just a reminder to parents to drive safely and obey the signs in the streets around the school. The police have been around the area twice in the last week and will continue to visit on a regular basis as well as the Manningham Council traffic inspectors. Parents and students must use the school crossings when going across the road. The speed humps are NOT school crossings. One of the parents recently saw a child crossing over the road on a speed hump and the child was nearly hit by a car. We want all of our students and school community to stay safe. This requires everyone to drive safely, walk safely, cross roads safely and obey the road signs.

SPORTS NEWS

House Cross Country | Friday 21 April

The weather wasn't so kind to us, therefore we needed to run a modified version of our annual House Cross Country. Mr Will set up a course around the school and the students that wanted to run came out at various times and ran their races. The conditions were rather wet and muddy under foot, but the students who participated all ran extremely well and showed terrific persistence and true sportsmanship. This therefore allowed me to select my District Cross Country Team, that will represent Milgate PS at the Templestowe District Cross Country on Tuesday 2nd May at Ruffy Lake Park.

Also from the results of the races, we still managed to come up with a winning house. The results were as follows:

- 1st Place = McCubbin ~ 202 points
- 2nd place = Streeon ~ 196 points
- 3rd place = Roberts ~ 166 points
- 4th place = Boyd ~ 154 points

Many thanks must also go to the parents who assist on the day in some very trying conditions. As always without your support these events wouldn't be possible.

Golden Boot Award

Well done to all the students who have been coming to and from school by an active method of transport. The class with the most active travellers last week was: **3TW**

DONCARE FOOD DRIVE

Hi, my name is Patrick.

I am a Year 5 student at Milgate Primary School. I am also a member of the 1st Doncaster East cubs pack.



At cubs we do a lot of fun things. We also get involved in community minded issues occasionally. I have decided to coordinate a food drive on behalf of my cubs pack. I have chosen local charity group Doncare to be the recipient.

If you could support Doncare with a non-perishable food item that would be appreciated. Students brought home a flyer yesterday listing items Doncare are in urgent need of. If you are able to donate, could you please do so by leaving your item/s in the box supplied in the school office foyer.

I will be collecting all donations from Milgate families by Friday 26 May. I am also collecting through my cubs pack. I will transport & present all donations to Doncare with help from our cubs leader just in time for winter. Your help is very much appreciated.



MOTHER'S DAY STALL | Monday 8 May

Our annual Mother's Day Stall is coming up on MONDAY 8 MAY! This year we have a huge variety of gifts to choose from, for mums and nanas/grandma's. The range includes fresh flowers, chocolates, candles, mugs, photo frames, baking sets, jewellery plus much more.

All gifts are priced at either **\$5** or **\$8**. So please place money in an envelope clearly marked with students name and class; and bring it along on the day. There will also be a stall held on the morning of Tuesday 9 May for those who are absent or needing to purchase additional gifts.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS | \$70

These are being sold at Milgate again this year through the P&F and can be purchased online at:

www.entbook.com.au/18037a6

Books are now available. Digital memberships can be accessed via the app on your device immediately.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Located outside the Art room. Recent articles include:

- Schramm's Cottage 50th Anniversary | Sat 29 April
- Power of Social Inclusion | Tue 2 May FREE EVENT
- Open Day | Blackburn High School | Wed 3 May
- Parenting Anxious Children | Tue 6 Jun
- Donvale Primary School | 50th Birthday Cocktail Party | Fri 16 June
- Programs | Term 2:
 - Basketball | Various Clubs
 - Chess | EDSC – starts Sun 30 Apr
 - Football | Various Clubs
 - Join the CLC Band - Eltham | Girls in Yrs 4 - 6
 - Soccer
 - Sports Program FREE | Yr 3 & 4 | Netball, Soccer, Hockey | Blackburn High School

