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PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

EDUCATION WEEK | Tuesday 16 May

This week we had a wonderful education week when the school was open for new families and our current families to visit and see the excellent learning programs that Milgate PS provides for our students. On Tuesday's Open Morning parents, friends and families visited students in the classrooms. New and prospective parents came and explored the exciting learning that takes place.

On Tuesday, Open Night was a great opportunity for students to show off their creativity and curiosity to family and friends! Many people visited the different classrooms and explored what it means to have a 'Healthy Mind, Healthy Body' and the activities were all linked to this theme. Buskers also performed throughout the night and we have so many talented musicians.



Throughout the evening everyone enjoyed the Mandarin Performance by our Foundation students, our Milgate Choir performance and the Sausage Sizzle.



DIARY DATES | Upcoming

Mon - Fri	CAMP Yrs 5 & 6
Mon 22 May	Assembly Yr 2 Presenting
Tue 23 May	ICAS Digital Technologies
Wed 24 May	YR2 Excursion: ACMI

**Fri 30 Jun LAST DAY of Term 2
2.30pm Dismissal**

2017 DATES

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



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The Book Fair was held in the Library and was a very busy place as students and their families selected books to buy and read. There was an enormous selection of books and students were very enthusiastic. It was great to see so many families involved and it was another great Milgate event for us all to share.

EDUCATION WEEK | Wednesday 17 May

On Wednesday, Grandparents and special friends were invited for a special visit. It was great to see so many grandparents and special visitors enjoying time in the classroom and sharing lunch together.



We had many new families visiting the school throughout the week's activities. Thank you to the School Leaders and House Leaders who did a fantastic job conducting tours of the school for new families and directing visitors to various areas of the school. Also thank you to all the students who performed and the teachers who organised the night's activities. Thanks to the many people who visited and took an interest in the student learning.

CAMP | Year 5 & 6

Next week our Year 5 and 6 students are off to Coonawarra Camp near Bairnsdale. They will participate in activities such as: climbing wall, horse riding, canoeing and raft making, flying fox, ropes courses, hut building, bush cooking, giant swing and various games. They are looking forward to spending the week with their school friends having fun, participating in the activities, learning new skills and challenging themselves. Our Year 5 and 6 teachers – Megan North, Claire Harvey-Beavis, Kirsty Bone, Jasmine Cergol, Fiona Bashford and Caitlin Murphy will be attending the camp as well as James Will (PE Teacher) and Debbie Mierisch (Principal - Tuesday to Thursday).

FOUNDATION SWIMMING

Our Foundation students have had their swimming program every day at Aquarena over the last week. Many of them have developed new swimming skills, are learning to swim and extend their knowledge of water safety. They all enjoyed the experience.



Yours sincerely,
Debbie Mierisch
Principal

Karlie Gooding
Assistant Principal

David Mander
Assistant Principal [Acting]

SPORTS NEWS

Walk Safely to School Day | Fri 19 May

On our "Walk Safely to School Day" it would be terrific to see as many students walking to and from school on this day as possible. If you would like any more information about this day, then click on the following link:

<http://www.walk.com.au/WSTSD>

Golden Boot Award | 1MW

Congratulations to 4SI who had the most active travel participants during last week, therefore making them the winners of the Golden Boot Award.

Eastern Region Soccer Trials

Congratulations to Alec T (6JC) for being successful in making it through the Eastern Region soccer Trials. Alec was selected as 1 of 15 students to compete at the next round SSV State Soccer Trials in June. All the best Alec and we look forward to hearing how you go in the next round.



BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE | Sunday 4 June

Milgate Primary school are holding a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Nunawading on Sunday 4th June 2017. We will need some volunteers to help cook, serve & handle money through the day between 9am-4pm in two hour blocks.

If you would like to volunteer please email the parents and friends on milgate.pf@gmail.com with your preferred time.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Located outside the Art room. Recent articles include:

- Doncare Factory Clearance | Sat 20 May
- National Disability Insurance Scheme | Information session - Thu 1 June
- Parenting Anxious Children | Tue 6 Jun
- Donvale Primary School | 50th Birthday Cocktail Party | Fri 16 June
- Kids Helpline | 1800 551 800
- Programs | Term 2:
 - Basketball | Various Clubs
 - Football | Various Clubs
 - CLC Eltham Science Program | Girls in Yr 4 - 5
 - Soccer
 - Sports Program FREE | Yr 3 & 4 | Netball, Soccer, Hockey | Blackburn High School

OFFICE NEWS

2016 Annual Report

The 2016 Milgate PS Annual Report is available on the school website under the 'About Us | School Profile' section.

Attitudes to School survey

The 2017 Attitudes to School survey will take place from 22 May to 23 June for all students in Years 4 to 12, via a secure online survey platform.

DONCARE FOOD DRIVE

Hi, my name is Patrick.

Thank you for all the donations that have come in. If you would still like to support Doncare with a non-perishable food item that would be appreciated. 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**. Your help is very much appreciated.



Hi Everyone,

We are a group of Milgate mums who have been participating in the Manningham Relay for Life for several years now.

Participating and raising money for The Cancer Council is close to all of our hearts as each of us has either been touched by someone that we know who is either a survivor or is a current sufferer.

Please help us in our endeavours by coming to our Relay for Life - Comedy Bingo Nite fundraiser for what we hope will be a fun and fabulous night all in the name of a great cause!!

All the details are on the brochure at the back of this newsletter.

Many thanks,

The Milgate Angels | Harveen, Lee, Liz and Louisa



Milgate Multicultural Catch Up

Wednesday 24th May 9:30am

Limelight Café (352 Blackburn Road, Doncaster East)

Do you want to make a connection with other parents in the school community? Come and join us at the Milgate Multicultural catch up!

The Milgate Multicultural sub-committee of Milgate Parents and Friends Association focus on encouraging parents from various backgrounds to come together and meet up in an informal social way. Whether you've been at Milgate for years, or you're new to the community and just want to meet other parents, you can come along with us for a gathering.

Young children are welcome!

Hope to see you there!

Jane Liang (coordinator) RSVP to 0410749765

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