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Dear Parents and Carers,

Week 8 is upon us already and we are busy at school finishing off the 3D printer STEM challenge in 3-6. This has been a wonderful opportunity for our students to develop their critical thinking and problem solving abilities. We will try to secure another printer during Term 4 this year. Our school is still part of the Rural and Remote STEM network that we joined last year, and Mrs Noske will begin networking with other members to add new forms of technology to our programs throughout the year.

This week, I will be heading to a Principal network meeting for 2 days. Mrs Noske and Mrs Mimmo will be attending the MiniLit training in Albury on Wednesday and Thursday, and we will then add this program to our literacy rotations. During the time we are away from school, we will have Mrs Menz and Mrs McRorie teaching both classes. If you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to call the office and I will ring you back as soon as possible.

Our school is currently undergoing some construction, with the wall between the two classrooms being fitted with panel walls. This is hugely beneficial to our teaching and

learning programs, and will allow us to add word walls and subject specific content to display for the students. The work is expected to be completed by the end of the term. In the meantime, the K-2 class will do most lessons in the library.

Could I please remind all parents it is a requirement of the Department of Education to provide a note to the school when a student is absent. Sending in a note promptly will help the School Administration Manager promptly record the reason and keep the notes as part of our auditing requirement. Your help in this matter is appreciated.

Thank you to the families who attended the open classrooms yesterday. It is a great opportunity for students to demonstrate aspects of their school day with you. We will continue to run these days throughout the year and adjust days and times to hopefully fit in with all our families schedules.

Kym Poidevin
Relieving Principal

K-2 News

During this week we have been developing our comprehension strategies to unpack what a question is really asking us. This is helping

us to become better readers, as we make sense of the meaning of the text.

In maths we are continuing to use different strategies to help us with our subtraction- using lots of concrete materials to reinforce our learning. We are also investigating position over the next couple of weeks – going around, under, inside, and next to various objects!!

This week we planted some organic material in the vegetable garden, and we will be looking at them weekly to see how long they take to break down. This is a part of our unit on sustainability that will continue for the rest of the term.

Have a fantastic week 😊

K-2 students and Mrs Poidevin

3-6 Class News

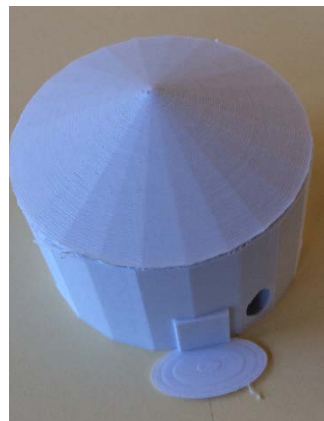
We have been lucky to have the use of a 3D printer through the STEM Share Program this term. Students have been busy using a design program called 'Tinkercad' to design a 3D object for our fairy garden. The design process has involved adjusting their original designs after printing to improve on their original design. It has been a great learning process as we became more familiar with the capabilities of the 3D printer.

Students continue to focus on Patterns and Algebra in maths. This strand of maths is really testing the students problem solving and perseverance skills! These are skills that we need to nurture and continue to strengthen.

In writing we have begun to look at elements of persuasive writing. These elements will assist students in debating and strengthen their skills in supporting a view point during forming an argument. Hopefully you might see students using their reasoning skills in discussions at home!

It was great to see many parents/carers at our open classroom yesterday morning. Students enjoyed sharing their exciting learning. Have a great fortnight!

Mrs Noske 😊



NAPLAN Online

NAPLAN Online will provide better assessment, more precise results and faster turnaround of information. The assessments can run through a real-time internet connection or onscreen without an internet connection.

NAPLAN Online features 'tailored testing' which gives students questions that are more suited to their ability – resulting in better assessment and more precise results.

Information letters have been sent home to the families involved. Online training for those students will be in the next two weeks. NAPLAN testing will be early next term.



Harmony Day

Greater Kengal schools will be celebrating Harmony day on Friday 22nd March at Yerong Creek. Staff from the 3 schools have organised some great activities for the day. The Year 6

students will be running sport games in the afternoon for the other students.



Remember to wear your orange clothes or sport uniform.



School Fees

The school fees are made up of a book levy and voluntary contributions. This is the same as last year at \$50 per student.

Book Levy - is \$40 per student, which contributes towards the textbooks and all the consumables the students use during the year, eg pencils, pens, rulers, folders, home reading book, etc.

Voluntary contributions – is \$10 for each student, which helps the school with items like tissues, soap, etc.

Please send in by **Friday 29 March** or contact the school to discuss a payment plan.



Premier's Debating Workshop

The students from Years 5 and 6 will attend a debating workshop at Turvey Park Public School on Thursday 11th April. This day is highly regarded for informing the students how to prepare and conduct a debate.





P & C News

A huge **THANKS** to our out going P&C Committee for your commitment last year. Your time and support has enabled our school to purchase many much needed items.

Our 2019 Office Bearers are:

President- Terri Anschaw

Vice President- Emmalene Murphy

Secretary- Sarah Kennedy

Treasurer- Kellie Noske

Thanks to all our parents and carers who assist the P&C with activities and programs to support our school and students. We all really appreciate it.

School Calendar

Week 8

Friday 22 March

Harmony Day

Week 9

Tuesday 26 March

Chess Club

Friday 29 March

Hot Shots Tennis

Week 10

Tuesday 2 April

Chess Club

Friday 5 April

Hot Shots Tennis

Assembly @ 2.45pm

Week 11

Tuesday 9 April

Chess Club

Thursday 11 April

Premier's Debting

Workshop @ Turvey
Park PS

Friday 12 April

GK Cross Country @
REEC

Last day of Term 1

Term 2 Week 1

Monday 29 April

SDD

Tuesday 30 April

Students Return for
Term 2

Friday 3 May

School Sports