

Junior School Newsletter

Friday 17th August 2018



In the classroom:

Maths – Volume and Addition

The Junior School students are currently learning about Volume and Addition.

What to do at Home

- Encourage your child to pack away their own toys and books. Talk about how things will fit better depending on the way they are stacked or placed.
- Talk about how much you can hold in your hand. Compare how many marbles or small rocks you can hold to the number your child is able to hold.
- Collect a variety of different sized boxes. Encourage your child to see if they can fit the boxes inside each other. Talk about which box is the best to start with and why.
- **Use Maths with your child in daily life:** There are several opportunities for children to practise Maths every day. In the supermarket, compare the prices of multi-packs of fruit to decide which pack offers the best value.
- The numbers 10 and 100 are important in our number system. Name a number and ask your child what you would have to add to it to make 10 or 100.



Unit of Inquiry:

On the 21st of August, to conclude our investigation of food, the Junior School will be hosting a Cultural Day. Students will be asked to bring a dish that is popular or regularly eaten by families in their culture. They are to present their food to the class.

Their presentation needs to include:

- What the dish is called
- What country it is famous in
- Why do they think it is famous or popular
- What are some of the ingredients
- When is it eaten? For example, at dinner, only at celebrations, Christmas etc.

For those students who cannot bring anything, they can present on a food that they might have eaten at home.

IB World School Programme:

Burwood Heights Primary School is a candidate school* for the IB PYP. This school is pursuing authorization as an IB World School. IB World Schools share a common philosophy- a commitment to high-quality, challenging, international education- that we believe is important for our students. * Only schools authorized by the IB Organization can offer any of its four academic programmes: the Primary Years Programme (PYP), the Middle Years Programme (MYP), the Diploma Programme (DP), or the Career-related Programme (CP). Candidate status gives no guarantee that authorization will be granted. For further information about the IB and its programmes visit <http://www.ibo.org>.



Jumping Juniors:

Every Thursday afternoon, and every second Friday from 3:00 – 3:30, the Junior School takes part in fun and exciting games. These encourage students to be physically active and promote healthy living.

Over the last fortnight, the students have played:

Relay Races: The Junior School classes all raced against each other. They had to run, hop, skip and run sideways to the end of the line. Grade 1/2M and 1/2W were the winners and victorious!

Sleeping Giants: Some students were picked to be sleeping giants. The rest of the students had to run or walk quietly to the other side of the basketball court without the giants waking up. If the giants woke up, they had to go back to the start and try again. The giants were not heavy sleepers!



Stars of the week:

Every week the 'Star of the Week' completes three, one-minute speeches about the following topics:

- All about me – personal attributes, likes or dislikes favourite food, animals, brothers or sisters, friends etc.
- Favourite book
- Favourite toy

The 'Star of the Week' student is chosen because they have been kind and caring to their peers, and have shown commitment to their studies.

Our most recent 'Star of the Week' students were:



Class Performance: 1/2A and 1/2J

On Friday the 3rd August, 1/2A and 1/2J were lucky enough to perform in front of the whole school during assembly. They were demonstrating the Learner Profile of Communication through the song 'Getting to know you' from the movie 'The King and I'. We could not be more proud of how well the students worked together in learning both the song and the dance. Well done all!



Key Dates:

Fri 17th Aug: Assembly

Tue 21st Aug: Junior School Cultural Lunch Day

Wed 22nd Aug: Sausage Sizzle

Thu 30th Aug: Fathers' Day Stall

Wed 5th Sep: Writing Fair 6:00 – 7:30

Tue 11th Sep: CERES Excursion

Fri 14th Sep: Interim Reports

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Kind regards,

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