



Thursday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of March, 2020

Newsletter 6

CELEBRATING LEARNING IN ...

## Grade F / 1

We have been chunking words by clapping to help us spell words. - Charlotte

We have been writing recounts about Investigations. – Charlie McCrossan

We have been using finger spelling to sound out words to write. – Georgia

If we practise sounding out we get better at knowing the words. – Jai

Using the letters to sound out words. - Ryder

We need to do a full stop at the end of our writing. – Zara

We need to be careful and try our best. – Bryce

Good counters count then go back and start again to check. – Hudson

Good counters try their best. Abigail

We have been learning to count to 100. – Louis

We have been doing exercise in P.E to get healthy. – Amelia

We are learning to read and write. - Lilly

We listen to our teacher. –Torah

We have been learning to put things away.

– Charlie McKenzie

We are learning to spell words. - Lucie





## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Celebrations!

It has been particularly pleasing to see the range of learning opportunities our students are being provided in our specialist classes. In particular this week, I would like to acknowledge the work Mr. Rodwell put in to the Grade 3/4 & 5/6 Science lesson yesterday. The lesson was on volcanoes and rather than simply reading about volcanoes and watching a YouTube video, Mr. Rodwell instead provided our students with a lesson that required students to actually make a volcanic eruption, giving students an in depth and hands on insight into the events that lead up to this natural phenomenon. The lesson took a great deal of time to plan and organise materials and supplies for – as well as clean up afterwards. Thank you to Mr. Rodwell for his efforts to provide engaging, informative and enjoyable lessons for our students. Please remind your child of the need to express their appreciation for their teachers' efforts to go above and beyond for their learning. Photos and a short summary of the lesson can be found on the back page of this newsletter.



### Principal's Award:

**Student Name:** Abigail Cooke

**School Value:** Community

For being extremely welcoming, caring and friendly towards others. You make Willowmavin a nicer place to be Abigail. Thank you!

### Fundraising and Community Engagement Team

Last year, our Fundraising and Community Engagement Team did an amazing job in raising over \$6,000 for our school. In the coming weeks, we will be making presentations at assembly to show how these funds have improved our school. In 2020, we are seeking to continue the fantastic work that our FACE Team does. If you would be interested in being a part of the school's fundraising and community engagement efforts, please come and see us at the office.

### School Council

At last week's School Council meeting, Council endorsed the school's 2020 Annual Implementation Plan. Key foci this year will be the continued implementation of the Writer's Workout instructional model and to also create and action a consistent instructional model for Reading. We will have a focus on creating a whole school approach to spelling and will spend considerable time learning about how we can create classrooms and a school environment where student voice is listened to and acted on.

During the meeting, Council also approved our curriculum days for the year. These will be held on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please note these dates in your diary as they will be Student Free days where alternative arrangements for students will need to be made for the day.

### Tissues Issues

A massive thank you to the families who have donated tissues over the past couple of weeks. Some families have even donated more than 10 boxes of tissues! Whilst this is fantastic, we do not want to rely on the generosity of a few, but the contributions of all. If you are yet to send in a box of tissues, please do so at your earliest convenience. Thank you to all in advance for your assistance.

### School Fees

Invoices for 2020 school fees went out in Week 1 and asked for accounts to be settled by this Friday. Thank you to those families who have already paid their fees. For those families who are concerned that they will not be able to pay their fees by the due date of Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, please don't hesitate to come and speak with us. We are extremely flexible when it comes to forming a suitable payment plan that enables you to make this essential contribution to your child's education.

### Signing Off

*"She is WOMAN. She is Mother. Daughter. Wife. Sister. She is a Person. She is Strong, Smart, Crafty. She is Passionate, Courageous, Generous. Cooking barefoot is only one of several superpowers. She is Action, Emotion, Devotion. She has Hope, Beauty, Power. She has a Brain and she knows how to use it. She Gives You LIFE. She gives you RESPECT, LOVE, GRATITUDE. She believes in you. She will nurture you, fight for you. She deserves nothing less from you.*

Until next time, take care, and be the best you can be.

Mr. O'Callaghan



# Student of the Week



Term: 1      Week: 5



**F/1      RYDER MORGAN      SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT**

For working very hard on his writing and making an excellent start to his foundation year



**1/2/3      ANWYN LAJANG      SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT**

For demonstrating persistence when learning to rename numbers.



**3/4      MOLLY GILL      SCHOOL VALUE: RESPECT**

For always being willing to help teachers and her classmates without being asked.



**5/6      Charlotte Hiscock      SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT**

For facing a challenge and fear head on.



The **MORE** that you  
**READ**, the **MORE** things  
you will **KNOW**.  
The **MORE** that you  
**Learn**, the **MORE** places  
you'll **GO**.  
Dr. Seuss

25 Nights Plus

Jai Bamford-Newey  
Alex Mason  
Hannah Pate  
Molly Gill  
Milla Hiscock  
Maddie Nolan  
Rhys Pate  
Tyler Stebbing  
Anneka Thornton  
Lacey Buhagiar  
Christopher Milvain

100 Nights Plus

125 Nights Plus

150 Nights Plus

175 Nights Plus

50 Nights Plus

200 Nights Plus

225 Nights Plus

250 Nights Plus

75 Nights Plus

275 Nights Plus

300 Nights Plus



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## What's On...



### March

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade 3&4 and Grade 5&6 Science Incursion (Please note, no notice required for this)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Foundation students first Wednesday
- 9<sup>th</sup> Labour Day Public Holiday
- 12<sup>th</sup> Grand Prix STEM Excursion (Grade 3&4 and Grade 5/6)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Curriculum Day (TBC)
- 27<sup>th</sup> Last day of term. 2:30pm finish time.



### March

- 5<sup>th</sup> Blake Dale
- 8<sup>th</sup> Hannah Pate
- 17<sup>th</sup> Willow Poulter  
Chevelle Cooke

# SCIENCE



In Science this week, we participated in a science experiment conducted by Ecolinc. Professor Noah taught us about volcanoes. We learned that Shield Volcanoes erupt a lot faster than Strato Volcanoes. We were able to watch the volcanoes erupt and time how fast they took.

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