

## CELEBRATING LEARNING IN ...

### Grade 3/4

I have written a story from the perspective of a Tasmanian Tiger. I am going to read the introduction of my story. I am running away from the farmer with a gun. I know I killed those cows, but I had to feed my pups. There are not many left of us in the world. It's lonely and scary, I don't want to die please help us. All of us animals need your help.

**Jake BN**

P.E is good for you because it helps you stay fit and have fun. In P.E we played *Gingerbread Man*. Then we played *British Bulldog*. I had fun. Thank you Ms. Smith.

**Nate L**

In Art we were mixing and smudging colours. When we mixed the paint, it made different colour combos. Then we put it on paper and smudged it with the other colours on the paper. We did four pages each. It looked really cool.

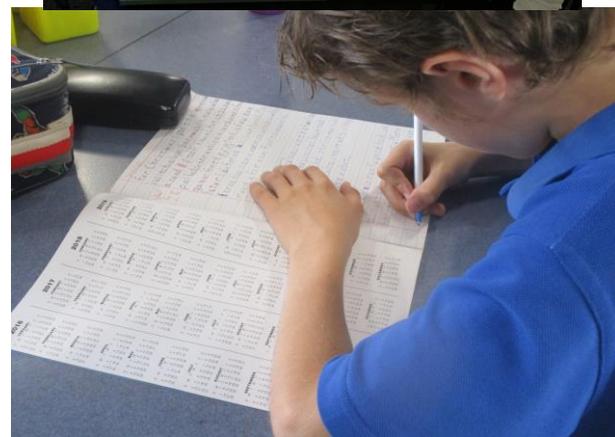
**Maddie**

In Writing this week we have been learning how to write persuasive texts. Persuasive texts are about convincing people to agree with you. I am writing a persuasive text that argues that kids should play outside more often. Some of my reasons are that they need Vitamin D from the sun. This helps them stay strong and healthy. It is very fun writing persuasive texts because you can write about any topic that you want.

**Bailey**

This week in ICT we made our own names on Scratch. To make our names we had to get a sprite letter. Then we made them change colour and size by using codes. The last thing we did was choose a background.

**Dayne**





## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Celebrations!

As mentioned in our last newsletter, we have commenced running small group learning sessions for students on Wednesdays and Fridays. Miss Walton has been running these sessions which include 2-4 students in each group and target specific areas of learning. Reading Miss Walton's weekly e-mails to staff summarising these sessions, it has been very pleasing to note how students have quickly adapted to these sessions and are already showing great progress in the areas of learning being targeted.

Small group learning is an evidence based practice used to target individual student learning needs via a teacher working with a small group of students with like needs. We are in the process of planning for the 2021 school year and are hopeful of being able to continue to provide this practice for our students as we seek to ensure any gaps in learning due to this year's adapted learning program, are recovered, and any positive impacts of this year on student learning are maintained and taken advantage of.



#### Principal's Award Term 4, Week 2:

**Student Name:** Flynn Patton

**School Value:** Community

For demonstrating great empathy in recognising a fellow student experiencing challenges in their schooling and making the effort to assist in any way he could. You're a champion Flynn!

### Grounds Maintenance

As many of our families would have noticed, our grounds are well overdue for some tidying up. In particular, as we head in to the warmer weather, we need to cut our grass. Fortunately, some recent sunshine has meant that our grounds are in a better state to be mown.

We have had a fantastic response previously to call outs for assistance in this area, enabling the school to allocate greater funds to learning rather than school maintenance. We are hoping for the same again. New faces/families are always welcome. If you are able to assist in this matter, please contact the office.

Thank you in advance for your support.

### Camp

Our 3-6 campers along with Ms Taylor, Mr. Rodwell, Anne and Miss O'Donnell, departed for Lady Northcote this morning, arriving just before midday. Whilst the weather is not looking perfect, it's not looking horrible either. As such, we are confident that all of our campers will get to make the most of the opportunities the camp has to offer, making this camp a very memorable experience in what has of course been a very memorable year. Keep an eye out on Compass for camp updates.

### Drop Off and Pick Up

A reminder that the school day commences at 8:50am sharp with a whole school focus on spelling. Students should not arrive any later than 8:48am when the bell music commences and students head to class. For some students, a little extra time is recommended enabling them to catch up with friends and play in the playground prior to entering the classroom. For this reason, school gates are opened at 8:35am when the yard is also supervised.

We are adjusting to the staged pick up times of 2:55 and 3:00pm. A reminder that all students should be picked up by 3:00pm. We are noticing a number of students being picked up well after this time. Late pick ups hold up staff on yard duty after school which impacts their ability to get to after school meetings on time. Also, students can become concerned when they are picked up late, having watched all of their peers leave before them. We understand that unforeseen circumstances can occur, resulting in a delay. In such cases, please contact the school to inform us of your late arrival.

A reminder that Willowmavin Primary School partners with Connect Kids from Kilmore to provide before and after school care services. If you would like to utilise this service, please contact Connect Kids on 0416475882 or [info@connectkidskilmore.com.au](mailto:info@connectkidskilmore.com.au).

### 100 Days of Foundation

It was sooo good to see our elderly Foundation students arriving at school this morning, dressed and ready to celebrate the most delayed 100 Days at School in the history of Foundation! Complete with walking canes, beards, moustaches and some very silver hair, our students looked a treat as they put some style into looking 100 years old. Thank you to Mrs Reed and Miss Smith for organising the day for the students and thank you to our families for assisting the students get in to the spirit of the day with their looks and by bringing 100 items. We hope our Foundation students' next 100 days at school doesn't take quite so long to reach!

### Netbooks

Now that remote learning is over, please ensure devices that were borrowed from the school are returned as soon as possible. Such devices are crucial to our classroom learning program and without them, we are unable to offer student learning tasks requiring 1:1 devices. When returning your device, please ensure power cords are included.

### Signing Off

*Melbourne Storm. Premiers 2020. That is all.*

Until next time, take care of one another and be the best you can be!

Mr. O'Callaghan

## CELEBRATING LEARNING IN ...

# Grade 5/6



Being back at school has been very fun! When we first got back we did some fun stuff like tower building, puzzles and board games. Then we went into our normal learning. Although being at home was probably fun for most of us, being back at school is the best for us! Thank you to all the teachers and Mr. O'Callaghan for helping us get through such a hard time. Although our teachers helped us to the best of their ability our parents have been the teacher. It's something most parents haven't done before, but it was an experience for all of us to try and hopefully won't happen again! Well done to everyone for getting through such a hard time and settling in so well at school.

Lacey



# Student of the Week



Term: 4

Week: 2



**F/1**

**LOUIS CAMPBELL**

**SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT**

*For working well on his learning and building on his sentence writing.*



**1/2/3**

**BLAIR NEWBOULD**

**SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT**

For working hard in all our Maths sessions this week. Super effort Blair!



**3/4**

**DAYNE LANG**

**SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT**

For having a great first week back! He has worked very hard on all his learning tasks and has helped out when needed.

**5/6**

**SAVANNAH WATTS**

**SCHOOL VALUE: HEALTH AND WELLBING**

For having such an amazing and positive start to Term 4. Keep up the fantastic attitude! I am very proud of you.



Wednesday, the 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

## What's On...



### BREAKFAST CLUB TERM 4

Breakfast Club has started this term and it has been fantastic to see so many students coming in to share breakfast with their friends. This week we added Milo milk to our breakfast which was very popular. Students also enjoyed cereals, fruit and plenty of toast with jam or vegemite.

Foodbank supply most of the items for our Breakfast Club with the school buying bread and jam in addition to this.

If you can donate a loaf of bread for the breakfast club this would be most appreciated. A big thank you to Jesse and Beau Jervis for coming to school early to help set up Breakfast Club each morning.



### October

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sway Frost
- 14<sup>th</sup> Aneka Thornton
- 18<sup>th</sup> Amelia Standing
- 18<sup>th</sup> Nate Eames
- 21<sup>st</sup> Rhys Pate
- 25<sup>th</sup> Alexis Carter
- 30<sup>th</sup> Chloe Jackson

### Icy Pole Tuesdays:

To support the JSC Icy Pole sales on a Tuesday, we are looking for donations of packets of Zooper Doopers! Thank you to those families who have already brought some in.

### School Photos

Our School photo day has been rescheduled to Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020. All envelopes must be returned to school before photo day with the correct money enclosed. Orders can be made online also.