Driving Towards Maryborough

Putting Some Energy Into The Breakthrough

Attached is a calendar showing fundraising events that our Year 4-6 students will hold to raise money for attendance at the 2014 Energy Breakthrough. The students have come up with these ideas themselves and are in charge of organising each event. We hope that families and community members can support some of these events. Our first event is a Five Cent Trail. The idea is that we collect five cent pieces (Let’s face it, they are good for nothing) to create a trail that depicts the trip from from Torrumbarry to Maryborough. Every five cent piece collected will be displayed on our trail and will get us that little bit closer to Maryborough. The trail will run until November or until our five cent pieces reach Maryborough; whichever is first.
Library Visit
The P-3 Students will be visiting the Campaspe Library in Echuca on Tuesday August 5th. We are lucky to be given our own personal ‘Story Time’ session which involves a story, follow up questions and a crafty follow up activity as well as a tour of the Children’s Section of the library. Attached to the newsletters are cards and information about joining the library. (It’s free and they have a great range of books, DVD’s, internet access as well as special events during school holidays). For those wishing to become members please fill in the card and send it back to school before our visit. Those students who are already members may return and/or borrow books on the day- they will need their borrowing card.

Years 4-6 News
Welcome back senior class. We are past the halfway mark! This term in Literacy/Humanities we focus on two areas. For the first five weeks, we are studying Music. This includes instruments used, mood, artists, culture, etc. The following five weeks will be focused on Agriculture. Stay tuned for future details on this area.
In Maths, as well as Number, students will be focusing on Chance & Data, Probability, Mass, Temperature, Co-ordinates and Money & Finance. Students have already completed their own games, which involves probability. They tested their games on each other today and had heaps of fun.
Health this term is one of Miss Michell’s personal favourite areas; biology. Students will learn about the human body systems including Respiratory, Circulatory, Skeletal, Digestive and Nervous Systems. If students are lucky, we may even have a chance to dissect some animal hearts and lungs and take a look inside!
Sport this term involves hitting and striking. Students will participate in games and activities, which encompass these areas such as T-Ball and Cricket. Students will also practice for the upcoming Interschool Athletics.
On a final note, students are reminded that it is expected that they read for at least 30 minutes each night, whether it be to themselves, parents or their siblings.

Reward Offered
Missing: Two Dogs. 1 Chocolate Labrador who answers to Laura and 1 Spaniel who answers to Tia. If found, please contact Donna on 0488421069. $200 Reward is on offer.

School Council
A reminder to school councillors that our next meeting is on Monday July 28th at 7pm here at the school. An agenda and other information for the meeting will be sent out this week.

Two Litre Plastic Bottles
Students in years 4-6 need to bring along a 2L plastic bottle for Science tomorrow. Jangan lupa!
School Lawns

The school lawns will need attending to on or around the 2/3 August. The next rostered family is Tucker/Allen.

Footy Tipping

If you picked five winners this weekend you clearly entered your tips yesterday. So what did we learn from AFL this week?
- Saints. Where did that come from?
- Blues. Even after a win Mick still has them!
- Port. Lacks power!
- Bombers. Bomber’s Bombers are catlike!
- Cats. Premiership sleepers?
- Next week. Split round continues. Marty returns with an up to date ladder

We’re Hooking Up

Over the next few weeks both grades will be taking part in sessions involving the video conferencing unit. The P-3 students will be connecting with a Year One Class that have made their own Lego Movie. They will meet the students and class teacher, watch their movie and then get to ask questions- all without leaving the classroom.

The Year 4-6 class will be taking part in two sessions which will show them how to create their own animation. Our students can ask questions and talk ‘live’ to the presenters. They will then be able to use their iPads and other resources to plan, develop, edit and publish their movie. This will then be shown to the presenters in a follow up session. The senior students from Leitchville Primary School will also be taking part in the same sessions. Our students will be able to video conference with the Leitchville students during the interim to share ideas and challenges.

Should any parents be interested in coming along to watch a session, or learn more about the unit, please contact the school and we can give you some suitable times and dates to join us.

The staff have been making good use of the Video Conferencing unit too taking part in after school sessions on the topics of Training to use the Unit, iPads in the Classroom and meetings with staff from other schools.

Cough Up

A reminder to those families paying by instalments for school fees and iPads that Term 3 payments are now due. Payments can be made directly into the school account. Please contact Joy in the office on a Wednesday morning or on a Friday to get account details.

Some families have set up regular periodic payments of small amounts to make paying for fees, excursions and camps easier. Once again Joy will be only too happy to assist you with this.

We’re Putting Our Feet Down

..into something more comfortable that is. Students and teachers can bring along their slippers, ugg boots, bedsocks etc, to wear inside. Dirty, wet shoes are not permitted inside and must be left at the door, but should you want to keep your delicate little tootsies warm you will have to come prepared.
Dates To Remember

Monday July 28
School Council 7pm

Tuesday 5 August
Prep-3 Library Visit

Friday 8 August
Ladies Morning Tea @ Torrumbarry Public Hall

Friday 29 August
Athletics Sports

Friday 5 September
Fathers’ Day Stall

Tuesday 9 September
Breakfast & PJs Day

Friday 19 September
End Term 3 EB Luncheon

Monday 6 October
Term 4 commences

Wed 15- Fri 17 October
Whole School Camp

Sunday 2 November
Bunnings Sausage Sizzle for EB

Tuesday 4 November
Cup Day Holiday

Thurs 20 - Sat 22 November
Energy Breakthrough

Friday 12 December
Annual School Concert

Friday 19 December
End School Year