A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our school is a-buzz with excitement about our Monsters Primary School performances this week. I am very impressed by the commitment of all our parents, students and staff in ensuring that this special event is the best that it can possibly be. There have been quite a few notes distributed to you, informing you of what is happening in regards to costumes, photos and the performances. If you are unsure of something please contact the office or your child’s teacher so that you can get the information you need. Our first newsletter next term will be full of photos from the performances.

Please be aware that there can be NO photos or videos taken of the performances by the audience. This is to ensure the safety of all our students. A professional videographer has been employed by the school to video one night performance so that this can be shown to the students and staff at school at the end of this week. As our students are performing, or waiting to perform, they don’t get to see the show. This video will be unable to be sold to our community, once again, to ensure the safety of our students.

The audience will also be asked to turn their phones to silent or turn them off so that calls are not heard by the actors, singers and dancers and become a distraction to them doing their very best.

I thank you in anticipation of your understanding of these necessary administrative matters.

HOLIDAYS:
This term concludes on Friday 19th September and school resumes for all teachers and students on Tuesday 7th October after the long weekend.
Term 4 is an 11 week term with students completing their school year on Wednesday 17th December and staff completing the year on Friday 19th December.
There will be lots of exciting things happening for all our students in this term including swim school, transitions for high school and our kinder 2015 girls and boys, year 6 farewell, class parties and a Halloween themed disco run by our P and C.

Have a great holiday and be safe if you are travelling.

Regards

Cathy Watt
THIS WEEK IN 4N

Open – minded Portraits:
- Students drew and coloured a large portrait (head and neck) of a character from a book they were reading.
- The students then cut out their portrait and attached it to another piece of paper.
- They then traced around their character’s head on the 2nd page.
- They lifted the portrait to draw or write words about their characters’ thoughts / traits on the 2nd page.

Student comments:
Tylar – Great activity, it was fascinating.
Paris – It something new and exciting.
Michael – It was real fun and interesting.
Dylan – Something different to do.
Nick – It was ok.
Hayley – I loved it and it was fun.
Kelsey – Since we could not draw the picture exactly, we were able to draw it in our own image.
Kaitlyn – If you didn’t like the picture you could add accessories.
Kostya – It is cool and creative.
Joe – Awesome and mind blowing!
Maddison – It was an extremely fun activity.
Cadence – Cool and amazing!
Caroline – The activity was challenging and extremely awesome.
COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER’S NEWS

Hi Everyone. What a fantastic way to end Term 3 with our students being involved in the school production “Monsters Primary School”. We hope all families have an opportunity to attend.

Thank you to all Parents and Carers who have given their time this term to help out with many activities this term. We greatly appreciate your time and effort.

Wishing all of you a relaxing holiday break and we look forward to seeing you when Term 4 starts on Tuesday 7th October. Please note that Monday 6th October is a Public Holiday.

Enjoy your holidays! Katherine Barr.

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METFORD MUNCHIES NEWSLETTER   Canteen Roster Term 3 Week-10 & Term 4 Week 1

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

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Key points to remember around schools

7 Safety around school crossings

Ensure that your child always uses the school crossing as this is the safest point of entry to the school.

Where there is a school crossing supervisor at a school crossing, pedestrians must wait on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road, until the school crossing supervisor indicates that it is safe to cross.

Drivers must not proceed until the crossing supervisor’s hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the crossing supervisor indicates that the motorist may proceed through the crossing.

At an unsupervised children’s crossing when ‘CHILDREN CROSSING’ flags are displayed, drivers must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross at the crossing. Drivers must remain stationary until the crossing is completely clear of pedestrians.

Drivers need to know that a children’s crossing is a part-time crossing that operates before and after school hours, and at times when children are using the crossing, such as for excursions or during lunchtimes.

8 40km/h school zones

The 40km/h school zone slows traffic in the vicinity of the school.

Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8am and 9:30am and from 2:30pm till 4pm. The 40km/h school zone speed limit must be observed even if school children cannot be seen.

A 40km/h school zone operates on all gazetted school days including staff development days (pupil free days).

While some schools may operate on different term dates, school zone speed limits MUST be adhered to during NSW Government determined school terms.

Gazetted school term dates for 2014 and 2015 are listed below. These can be found at roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au website and the websites of the NSW Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards and the NSW Department of Education and Communities.

**Dragon’s teeth road markings**

To increase motorists’ awareness of 40km/h school zones, triangular dragon’s teeth road markings indicate that the vehicle is entering a school zone.

For information about fines and demerit points – visit rms.nsw.gov.au

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