The Grapevine

Wednesday, 14 October 2015

Team Building Activities

Giant Swing

Raft Building

Stage 3 Camp 2015

We all worked together to make it to the top!!!

Flying Fox

We also built catapults
Dear Parents / Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 4. Our students have made an excellent start to the new term.

Last week Stage 3 students went to Camp Wombaroo in the Southern Highlands. They had an amazing time and had the opportunity to participate in many activities, canoeing, the Flying Fox and the Great Swing just a few of them. This week in assembly the teachers will show a slide show of the camp. Camps cannot take place without teachers willing to give up their time to go. Teachers do not get paid overtime and during camp they are on call 24 hours if necessary. I’d like to say the biggest thank you to Miss Twist, Miss Wyper and Mrs Warwick (formerly Miss Spiteri) for their hard work and dedication in making the camp a truly great experience for our students.

This week Kindergarten Orientation began. The children are in school every day for one and a half hours. This provides the students with a smoother transition to school by giving them a taste of what to expect. They have certainly made a promising start and there haven’t been too many tears so far from children or parents!

A number of parents have expressed concern about recent news about a Buxton student and Thirlmere students approached by a stranger in two separate incidents. The Staff share these concerns with you too and will continue to educate our students about the importance of staying safe. Last week I sent a letter home in regard to this. ‘Child Protection’ programs are taught during the year and teachers remind students often about alerting parents or teachers if they feel unsafe in a situation. On 30th October the school will participate in ‘Day for Daniel’ and you will shortly receive information in regard to the day which will again promote to our students the importance of keeping safe. I am also arranging a day when the Police School Liaison Officer will visit the school to speak to students about ways to stay safe.

I’d like to wish one of our students all the very best as he represents the school at State Athletics next week in a number of events. Well done Liam for going through to State, we wish you all the very best for next week.

I’d like to remind parents that if you have a concern about your child please contact the class teacher first. My door is also always open if there is something you wish to discuss and I can be contacted by phone. If you are unable to see me immediately due to other commitments I will always call you back as soon as I can.

Sue Davies
Relieving Principal
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Mittagong Blue Light Disco

**Venue:** Mittagong RSL

**Date:** Saturday 31st October

**Times:** 4pm to 6.30 pm

**Cost:** $5.00 per child 4 – 14 yrs

Parents and children under 4 free.

Due to this being Halloween – let’s dress to impress – so if you would like to come dressed in your favourite Halloween Hat, Dress or costume if not just come and have a great time.