

## From the Acting Principal- Mrs Jenkins

### Dear Parents/Carers,

And we are almost there! One week to the end of the school year. This week we have enjoyed the buzz from Up Day on Tuesday, immersed ourselves in a diverse range of knowledge during the 5/6 Passion Project Presentations and celebrated at the PaCS (Parents as Classroom Support) Graduation afternoon tea!

Next week's highlights include Year 6 Graduation, Year 6 Big Day Out, Up Day # 2, Special Food Day, and the House Cup! We are planning for an outdoor final assembly so our parents, carers can attend. Please note if the assembly is moved indoors, we will only be able to invite our Year 6 parents due to density limits (we will keep you posted). The last assembly of the year will begin at 2:45pm.

### Student reports- Semester 1

Student reports will be sent home next Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of December. They will also be available via the Compass portal. Please note the DET has advised schools to modify reports for Semester 2 2021 due to disruptions relating to COVID 19. Progression points have been allocated to Maths and English only. Personalised comments and assessment against key learning outcomes are also included.

### Up Day # 1

Some of our 2022 teachers and 2022 students joined us for Up Day 1 on Tuesday morning. The students participated in a range of get-to-know-you activities and literacy-based tasks. It was lovely to see so many welcoming smiles!

Up Day #2 is on our last day of school, the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. On this day student will be placed into their 2022 homegroups/classes and will meet their 2022 homegroup teacher.



### 2022 Staffing Update

We have recently appointed a new handy person. Welcome to Russell McLeod who also works part-time as the Handyperson/gardener at Dingley Primary. Russell comes with a range of experience in both maintenance and gardening. We look forward to having him on the team from January 2022.

I would also like to congratulate **Mrs Jaiden King** who is expecting a baby next year! Mrs King will be with us for most of term 1 in a leadership position supporting our teaching and learning program.



### 2022 Student Free days

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022 is a student-free day. Over this day our staff will continue to plan for term 1 and will be involved in a range of professional learning sessions. Students in **Years 1-6** will start on **Monday the 31<sup>st</sup> of January, 9am** (classroom doors will open from 8:45am).

Our **2022 Preps** will start on **Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of February** at a special time of **9:30am**. They will then return on Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> for a 9am start (classroom doors open from 8:45am).

Our second and third curriculum days have recently been approved by School Council. These dates are the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of March and will be used to run a 2-day International Baccalaureate Workshop with staff.

### School Council

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the 2021 School Council and Subcommittee convenors and members for your work throughout the year. Whilst Covid-19 led to a far from normal year of Council operations, we have still met 9 times and managed to continue with quite a few projects and operations. Most importantly, we have ensured our school is well positioned to 'hit the ground running' in 2022. On behalf of the whole school community, a sincere thank you.

### 2021 School Council members:

<b>President:</b>	Sharna Woods
<b>Vice President:</b>	Pablo Rodriguez
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Nina Kelly
<b>Building &amp; Grounds Convenor:</b>	Pablo Rodriguez
<b>Finance Convenor:</b>	Phil Anthony
<b>Education Convenor:</b>	Steve Gammon
<b>Events and Fundraising Convenor:</b>	Nina Kelly/ Sharna Woods
<b>Grants Working Party Convenors:</b>	Nina Kelly
<b>Executive Officer:</b>	Phil Anthony/Sherri Jenkins
<b>Business Manager/ Minute taker:</b>	Dee Smith
<b>School Council Member:</b>	Dana Embler
<b>School Council Member:</b>	Elise Neville

*Thank you!*

## School Uniform

Please note ALL students will need a book bag for 2022. These can be purchased from PSW:

[Making your school look great Primary Pete Bookbag \(psw.com.au\)](http://psw.com.au)

Also, a reminder that black school shoes are part of our school uniform. If you are purchasing school shoes over the holidays, please purchase **black** (mostly) runners or school shoes!

Now is a good time to sell your second-hand uniforms! Join our parent run Facebook Second-hand Uniform shop via:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/779904486203369/?ref=share>

## Instrumental Program for 2022

We recently sought an expression of interest from a variety of Instrumental Providers for 2022. After consultation with School Council, it has been decided our Instrumental Music provider for 2022 will be ABC Music.

ABC Music bring a variety of expertise and experience such as fully qualified teachers, student reports, opportunity for examinations as well as production and band assistance.

A flyer will be distributed next week providing you with further details.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Orange Tree music for the services over 2020 and 2021.



## Gratitude

A HUGE thank you to Buxton Real Estate who have been our partners over 2021. We would like to thank them for their support.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

- ◆ G'zelle Lay
- ◆ Aarza Riar
- ◆ Avitha Karipal
- ◆ James Kelly
- ◆ Trey Ratsavong
- ◆ Kiara Walsh
- ◆ Harley Tek
- ◆ Maneth Jayasinghe
- ◆ Sienna Coates
- ◆ Rinathya Luthra

## DIARY DATES 2021

### December 2021

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 10	Book Fair ends Yr 3 Incursion Yr 1/2 Creative Day (No Assembly)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 11	Yr 6 Graduation
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 11	Yr 6 Big Day Out
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 11	KGPS House Cup 🏆 Special Lunch Day 🍗
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 11	Prep- Yr 5 Transition 'Up Day' #2 Final Assembly - 2:45pm Last day of Term 4- 3:30pm finish

### January 2022

Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Wk 1	First Day of Term 1- Yr1 -6 students
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### February 2022

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Wk 1	Prep's First Day
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- Assembly every Friday at 2:55pm- Outdoor assembly's parents can attend

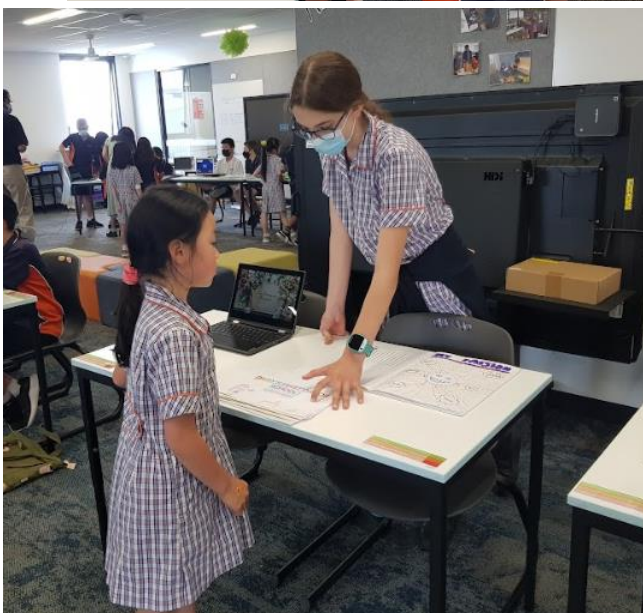
Kind Regards,

*Sherrri*

Sherrri Jenkins | Acting Principal

## 5/6 Passion Project

In Year 5/6 our Transdisciplinary Theme - 'How We Express Ourselves' allowed students to look closely at the ways people use creativity to solve problems and express ideas. Students explored how creativity is developed and can be expressed in different ways. To culminate this unit, students created a passion project. This required students to follow the process of research, development, feedback and improvement to then present or express their findings in a creative way. This week on Monday afternoon we opened the classroom to the rest of the school to come and take a look at the amazing work that students have completed!





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