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## NEWSLETTER

Week 10 Term 4

11<sup>th</sup> December 2017

### Term 4 Calendar Reminders

#### Term 4 Week 10

- ◇ Lockout Emergency Drill: Tuesday 12 Dec
- ◇ Christmas Party/Talent Quest: **MUFT!** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 11:15am
- ◇ Year 2 Arches and 'clap out' at 3pm in the playground

**Students' last day of term**  
this Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December



We wish you a very merry and safe  
holiday break with family and friends!

**School Holidays:**  
**Sat 16 December- Monday 29 January inclusive**

**2018 Year 1 and Year 2 students ONLY return:**  
**Tuesday 30 January 2018**

**2018 Term 1**  
**Monday 30 Jan-Friday 13 April inclusive**

Dear Parents and or Caregivers,

*Congratulations to the following students who received Awards last week.*

<b>Kindergarten</b>	Jack, Jean-Paul x 2
<b>Year 1</b>	Apollo, Ella, Miranda
<b>Year 2</b>	Wendy, Attilio, Albert
<b>Playground Merit Certificate</b>	Ethan, Miranda, Jacob O, Jean-Paul, Isabella, Natalie
<b>30 Stamp Cards</b>	Attilio
<b>35 Stamp Cards</b>	Albert
<b>Student of the week</b>	<b>APOLLO</b>

#### Staffing

As in my Principal Reports at P&C Meetings this term, I am detailing staffing for 2018. Ms Sue Whibley is taking 12 months Long Service Leave for the duration of 2018. We wish Sue a wonderful and well-deserved leave! Mrs Narelle Joukhador is returning to her full-time substantive teaching position at the school. Welcome back Narelle! Mrs Liz Corbett has chosen to work 2 days per week in 2018. Liz will provide Library, Music and RFF thereby, working with all of our students. We wish Liz many well-deserved and enjoyable five-day weekends! We are sad to hear of Mrs Kylie Kam's decision not to return in 2018. I am sure you will support Kylie in her decision, as we do. Her contribution to our school has been significant. We wish Kylie all the best in her future endeavours. We have been fortunate to secure Mr Brendan Paul who comes highly recommended. We welcome Brendan to our school community! Mrs Maria Kerr, will be assuming a full time position at another school. Thank you Maria, for your valuable contributions to our school in our Library and the Office. Ms Collette Samerski our SLSO will return in 2018. Mr Doug Creighton returns as our School Counsellor.

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## Classes 2018

Student enrolments dictate the formation of classes in government schools. At this stage, we are several students short of forming 3 classes. Therefore, we will form 2 classes; a K/1 and a 1/2 (Stage One) when our anticipated 2018 Kindergarten students begin to arrive at school, on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January. Please be assured, the needs of our students are at the forefront of our decision making when placing students in classes.

## Thank you for End of Year Concert

A huge thank you to our whole school community including the 'stars' of the night, the students. It was a great celebration for our departing Year 2 students. Thanks again to George and Govinda, Renee and Helen for their enormous community involvement. Thank you to Mrs Kam and Mrs Corbett for their practices and their work behind the scenes. Thank you to Kirsty the Footsteps instructor, who choreographed all the dances. Our thanks must go to Mark and Linda Lavorato and the many others who dismantled, packed away and even swept the verandah! Please provide Mrs Kam with a blank DVD if you would like a copy of the concert as filmed by Mr Kam.

## Term 4 (Week 10) final week for students

**WHS Lockout Drill:** Tuesday 12 December *repeat message*

The scheduled Lockout drill will take place this Tuesday morning. Emergency practices are a mandatory and necessary procedure to ensure the safety of the school community. Teachers will speak to students to minimise any student anxiety surrounding emergency drills. Don't be alarmed when your child comes home and tells you about the Lockout.

**School Reports:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December *repeat message*

Students will receive the written Semester 2 written report this Wednesday. Please inform the Office should you wish a peer comparison report for a student in Year 1 or Year 2. Similarly, if you need a duplicate report for a caregiver living at another address and haven't already done so, please inform the Office. Please celebrate your child's achievements, as all students have much to be proud of in their development over the year.

**Party Day/Talent Quest:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December *repeat message*

Mrs Corbett will continue to hold auditions for the Talent Quest this week. The Talent Quest is held after the Party Day lunch. Students may wear mufti (normal sun safe clothing) on the day.

**Year 2 student Arches and 'clap out':** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December @ 3pm

The traditional Arches for our departing Year 2 students will be acknowledged in the usual manner. All welcome at 3pm for the arch and clap out in our playground.