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A Great Week of Books and Reading!



*“The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.”*
— Dr. Seuss

We have had a stimulating and very enjoyable Book Week with a myriad of different activities taking place; class book studies, story writing, story baskets, book making, designing book covers, drama and poetry, and classroom doors decorated to represent the chosen book from each class. Throughout each day children have had opportunities to cosy up with a book or listen to a teacher or parent animatedly bringing to life some excellent children's fiction. Our older children have also had a positive experience reading with our younger students, excelling in using their voices to animate the stories and enthralling the little ones completely.

Of course, a highlight has been today's Character Day where all the children and staff have come to school dressed as characters from books. Our usual students disappeared to be replaced with a colourful assortment of characters from traditional tales, modern fiction, myths and legends, science fiction and some "original - student invented characters. The teachers too were unrecognisable with giants, witches, caterpillars and Miss Niki was even transformed into The Queen of Hearts, but this proved a little too scary for some of the Nursery children who started crying when they



saw me! Thanks to all our parents for the huge effort and creativity that went into preparing costumes and face paint - we were very impressed!

This was a great week and, while lots of fun was had, the core purpose was to promote the value of books and reading. Children gain so much from reading. It takes them to new places, opens up their imaginations and presents new ideas to enrich their experience. It extends their vocabulary and knowledge of grammatical structures and helps them develop good study skills. It is also clear that children who read for pleasure carry the intellectual benefits with them far into adulthood. If we get children into good

reading habits when they are young, they are more likely to continue to be enthusiastic readers throughout their lives and this can only be a good thing! And while we as adults might prefer traditional hard copy books, it is also important to recognise and accept that new technologies, such as e-readers, can offer easy access to books and newspapers, especially when living overseas, and are a great way to get children reading. All reading is good!

Thanks to all the students and parents for your engagement and support in making this a great week of exciting learning for all our students.

Niki Meehan
Principal



Here come our Sports Days!



The children are very excited to show off their athletic abilities next week at our Sports Days. In House Teams, the children will rotate around a series of activity stations which will challenge their running, jumping, and throwing skills. Every child will be challenged to try their best and will earn points for their House Team in pursuit of the Sports Day Cup. The focus of these days is to encourage maximum participation in sporty activities, team working and sportsmanship, and fun. Parents are most welcome to come along a support from the side-lines.

Please remember to ensure your child wears their House Team t-shirt, has their hat, water bottle and sun-cream.

Monday 15 April - 08:00-10:30	Primary Sports	Field
Tuesday 16 April - 08:00-09:00	Foundation 1 and Foundation 2 Nursery	Field EY Playground

ECA's Term 3

May 6th - June 22nd



Please be reminded that this year (due to the short Term 3) all Term 3 ECA's are simply a continuation of Term 2 ECA's. Your child will continue with their existing ECA's and there will be no further ECA sign ups this academic year. The fee-paying ECA's run by external providers have already been paid in full for January through to June in your January ECA payment.

New Uniform Stock



Please be informed that we now have additional stock of school uniforms, including larger T-shirts and a smaller size of hats. Unfortunately, the 100% cotton polo shirts will not be available until the start of the new school year.

Uniform orders can be placed with Lia at Reception.

Diary Dates

018-2019 Term Dates Calendar

Please see our website for our school's calendar

2019-2020 Term Dates Calendar

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Learning Overview

Weekly for each class

Class News & School Newsletter

Every two weeks (alternating)

Parent Workshops

Moving Up Year 2-6: 9 May (07:45-08:30)
Transition F2-Year 1: 10 May (07:45-08:30)

Student Reports Issued

Thursday 20 June

Sports Day

Primary: 15 April (08:00 - 10:30 am)
Early Years: 16 April (08:00 - 09:30 am)

National Elections

Wednesday 17 April
(Public Holiday)

School Break

19 April - 3 May

Start of Term 3

Monday 6 May

Indonesia Day

Wednesday 29 May

Talent Show & Garden Party

Friday 21 June