

Issue 9– 1st April 2021

PRINCIPAL TEAM REPORT

Hello everyone,

What a gorgeous morning for a run! Our Year 3-6 cross country was a sea of colour as our students traversed the Walker Reserve course. Once again, it was great to see so many students demonstrating our school expectations by doing their best and helping each other succeed. Congratulations to all of the students who will go through to the Whittlesea district event next term. Well Done Dugat, house champions for this event. The house points were as follows:

DUGAT 141 KORANGORANGEET 137 DUHLIN 94 BUNJIL 77



On Tuesday we held our first 'Whittlesea's Got Talent!' performance for the year. Over 40 students from Foundation to Year 6, performed their talent to a vast audience. Among the performances, we were entertained by some amazing singing and dancing. A special thanks to Miss Walsh for giving her time during breaks to prepare the students so they were confident to perform on the day.

Today the SRC used our 'out of uniform/cross country day' to raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital 'Good Friday Appeal'. We asked our students and staff to bring along a gold coin donation in an effort to raise more money than we ever have before. Our school community has raised;

\$2270.15

CALENDAR

April 19 th Monday	Learning Conferences Student Free Day
April 20 th Tuesday	Start of Term 2

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wishing the following
children a very
Happy Birthday!

6th April

Hamish 01C
Harlenn 3/4F

7th April

Madison 3/4C
Lara 5/6RM

8th April

Dante 02CR

10th April

Piper 02S
Nevah 02S

13th April

Hanah 3/4W
Nate 5/6RM

16th April

Samantha 01M





We wish our SRC captains, Harrison Leeson and Emma Rogers, good luck for tomorrow when they present our school's donation 'live to air' on Channel 7's Good Friday Appeal. Thank you to Miss Vitale for leading this exciting initiative and to all of our SRC representatives who have championed this important cause.

Have you booked your learning conference for the first day of Term 2? Conference booking times are still available and will remain open over the term break. Please contact your child's teacher through Compass if you need to arrange an alternate time.

Finally, as we head into the term break we also say farewell to Jake Hough. Jake has been an integral member of our school community over the past five years. Throughout this time, Jake has built a strong culture of sportsmanship and through our school expectations, enabled every student to do their best and help others succeed. On behalf of our school community, we acknowledge Jake's contribution to the history of our school and wish him every success for the future.

Enjoy the Easter break with your family this weekend.

Ty Hoggins/Rae Gittos
Principal Team

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN REPORT

Peter Ackland - school chaplain



School History 1994-1995 – Masterplan 3

In these middle years of Principal **Yvonne Scott** (1992-1998), the Masterplan was still getting sorted. During this time, the “Woods Paddock” old weatherboard building was demolished. A past student shared that she was sad to see it being pulled down and carried off. On the other hand, the School Council was relieved, being finally able to start the project.



Following on from the last article, the new building was to include cooking facilities, a computer network, display space and covered walkways. One portable would have to be relocated to make way for the complex. Classrooms elsewhere in the school were to have cupboards added under the chalkboards, new carpets, air-conditioners for those rooms needing them, adequate power points, whiteboards and sound proofing.

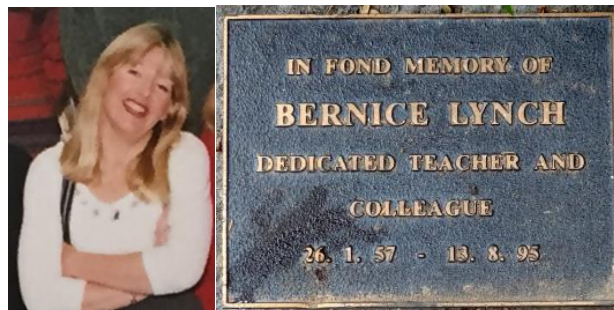


The 1887 'well' to remain



The Multipurpose Building to go

Other features of the Masterplan which the school looked forward to were an intercom system between the administration area and classrooms, a weather protected whole school assembly space, areas where maths and language materials could be stored, concrete paths and outdoor teaching areas. The commissioned architect was **Robert Marshall Pty Ltd** of Main Road, Hurstbridge.



In August of 1995 a loss affecting the whole school community occurred. **Bernice Lynch**, a popular and dedicated teacher of the school and mother of two students at the school, was tragically hit by a vehicle on the road while riding her bicycle and died from her injuries. Bernice had been teaching at the school for three years and was sorely missed. Today the plaque in her memory can be found in the greenery across from the staffroom corner of the new complex.

To be continued next term...

Have a restful and safe school break.

★ Star of the Week ★

Foundation V Vitale	Awarded to: Henry Charity For: his outstanding effort when rhyming! Well done Henry 😊
Foundation P Perry	Awarded to: Xander Richie For: showing persistence when learning about ordinal numbers
Foundation M Merritt	Awarded to: Kruz Carter For: trying his personal best on all learning tasks. Amazing effort!
Year 1JA Fontana/Kaur	Awarded to: Salah El Jassem For: putting in an amazing effort when completing his subtraction equations.
Year 1F Fasone	Awarded to: Heidi Villani For: helping others succeed during all learning activities and being a valuable member of 1F
Year 1M Maxfield	Awarded to: Jackson Ring For: completing a correctly formed and legible display of handwriting.
Year 2D De Luca	Awarded to: Monica D'Amico For: for always being supportive and helping others succeed!
Year 2S Smith	Awarded to: Zack Staub For: for writing an excellent cinquain about a ghost ride.
Year 3/4W Wright	Awarded to: Ellie-Mae Willoughby For: all the hard work you have put into your maths learning. Well done!
Year 3/4M McCormick	Awarded to: Margaret Gittos For: demonstrating persistence during maths learning this week. Well done! 😊
Year 3/4O Overton	Awarded to: Olive Charity For: being a focused, hardworking student. Fantastic work Olive!
Year 3/4C Cummins	Awarded to: Mason Burgess For: having a growth mindset and always being a fantastic role model in our classroom.
Year 3/4F Fawcett	Awarded to: Sophia-Grace Beattie For: doing her best to use high modality words and persuasive language in her writing. Well done Sophia!
Year 5/6S Powell	Awarded to: Makayla Martino For: her improved reading fluency and including expression and intonation when reading aloud.
Year 5/6R Reid/McAlley	Awarded to: Hamish Lilley For: showing persistence in his learning during maths this week to master concepts. Great work!
Year 5/6G Gorski	Awarded to: Madeleine Gellel For: identifying the key information in a text and writing an interesting summary.
Year 5/6P Panahinejad	Awarded to: Baylin Hofmann For: his outstanding time management skills during reading sessions
PE Mr Hough	Awarded to: Joshua Caminito For: Being persistent when learning how to perform a triple jump. Great work Josh!. Great work Josh!
The Arts Ms Walsh	Awarded to: Olivia Tomarchio For: consistently producing her personal best artwork during every Art lesson. Keep it up Olivia.
Chinese Ms Liu	Awarded to: Harvey Willoughby OP For: Knowing all his numbers 1 to 6 in Chinese! I'm so proud of you.

Specialist Term 1 Reflection

What an amazing start to the year we have had in our Specialist classes! After the year that was in 2020, it is so nice to have all our students back in the classrooms and our specialist programs have been able to resume as normal!



Arts with Miss Walsh

What an exciting term this has been in our Art room. Our students have been focusing on getting reacquainted with the new and improved Art Room and revisiting our school expectations.

We have been very busy exploring different skills and artists to use as inspiration to create visual artworks. We have used a variety of mediums including, chalk pastel, oil pastel, watercolour and acrylic paints which the students have thoroughly enjoyed! Below are a few samples of what we have created this term.



At the end of term, we had our 'Whittlesea's Got Talent' show which proved to be very popular with the students. We were so proud of all of the students who got up and performed in front of their peers, but also, we were so pleased to see the students in the audience demonstrate our school expectation of 'Respect your School', by cheering the performers on and complimenting them on their performance afterwards. Congratulations to all involved, we can't wait for next terms show!

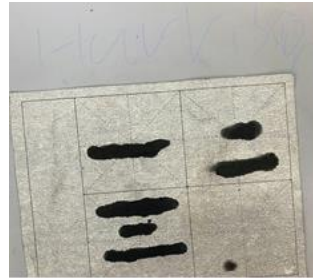


Chinese with Ms Liu

At the start of the year, we welcomed Jessie Liu to our team who has stepped into the Mandarin teaching role, and boy did she start off with a BANG! Literally! Jessie organised a special 'Chinese New Year' event which involved a traditional Chinese dragon performance which the students and staff loved!



In addition to this, the students have been focusing on learning Chinese numbers through clay, iPads, chalk and Chinese calligraphy. Below are some photos which demonstrate the engaging activities provided and the knowledge learned in Chinese throughout the term.



Physical Education with Mr Hough

Our students have been keeping very busy during our PE sessions this term. Foundation have been getting familiar with the PE environment and learning the rules and expectations, the Year 1&2's have been focusing on their development of their locomotor skills including running, dodging, leaping and vertical jumps and our 3-6 students have been practicing and developing their athletic skills in preparation for our Whole School Athletics carnival next term.



Unfortunately as you may have heard, this is our last term we have with Mr Hough. It is without a doubt that Jake has been a key member of our school and has certainly made a large impact on our students. We would like to thank Jake for his outstanding contribution to our school and continuous work on the development of our PE program. Although we are sad to see him go, we do wish him all the best for his exciting future!

That's all from us here in the Specialist team. We hope you have enjoyed our little snapshot of what has been happening in our programs! We would like to thank our students and their families for a wonderful start to the year and we hope you all enjoy the upcoming holidays and get some time to refresh and recharge for an exciting Term 2!

Happy holidays!!

SPORTS REPORT

Panthers Hot Shot Tennis

On the 26th March we played Mernda Primary School, the atmosphere was electric with anticipation. All competitors had heaps of fun and played skilfully during each game. We had an amazing time, making new friends and playing the interschool sport we love.

The Boys won overall, and the girls just missed out, but our smiles and positive attitude shone brighter than the sun. Sadly, this is our last tennis session, but we are now confidently and accurately hitting forehands, backhands and serving the ball in the correct part of the court. It has been an honour to coach these amazing ladies and gentlemen.



This is a word cloud that we made together to share our thoughts about our Hot Shot experience.

Cheers Mrs Gorski

PRE- LOVED BOOK SALE

We want your pre-loved books!!

From Term 2, we will be accepting donations of pre-loved books for an end of year book sale.

Please keep this in mind when you re-stock at the scholastic warehouse sale over the holidays (remember to mention WPS) OR when you have a school holiday clean out.

More details will follow in Term 2 about where and when to donate. Enjoy your reading over the school holidays :-)



THE GREAT SCHOLASTIC WAREHOUSE SALE!



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 **SCHOLASTIC**

Before & After School Care Weekly News

Theme calendar:

Past themes...

Feb 1-5: All about me

Feb 8-12: Health & Hygiene

Feb 15-19: Chinese New Year

Feb 22-26: Sustainable Oceans

March 1-5: World wildlife week

March 8-12: Science week

March 15-19: Saint Patricks Day Week

March 22-26: It's a Party week

March 29-April 2: Easter week

Week 4,5,6,7,8 –

During the last couple of weeks students have dived into multiple themes. Including World Wildlife Week, Science Week, Saint Patricks day week, It's a party and also Easter Week. During World Wildlife Week students got creative with animals, they used different materials using our craft trolley. We also created our Holiday Program display using the animals the children created.

During science week, students had the best time trying different experiments such as a water bag experiment where students needed to pierce a plastic bag with a pencil without letting water spill out of the side. During Saint Patricks week the students learnt about why Ireland celebrate Saint Patricks Day. We decorated 4 leaf clovers and created a Leprechaun hat. During It's a party week students enjoyed multiple party games such as Limbo, Pass the parcel and even Musical Statues. During pass the parcel the student who won, won a pack of Uno cards and some chocolates.

Our last week of term we have been focusing on Easter, so we have been creating little gifts for them to take home and we have also been decorating the room with what the children create.

We are looking forward to the upcoming Holiday Program. If you'd like to join us, please head to www.theircare.com.au



HOLIDAY PROGRAM DR SEUSS DRESS UP DAY

**You could not would not
want to miss a celebration
as fun as this!**

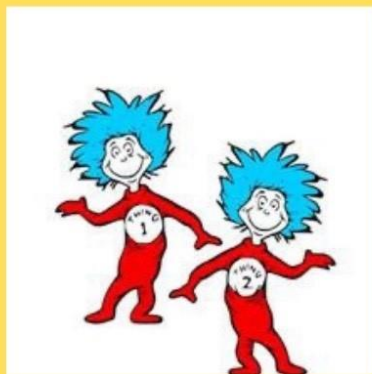
**When: Monday
12th April**



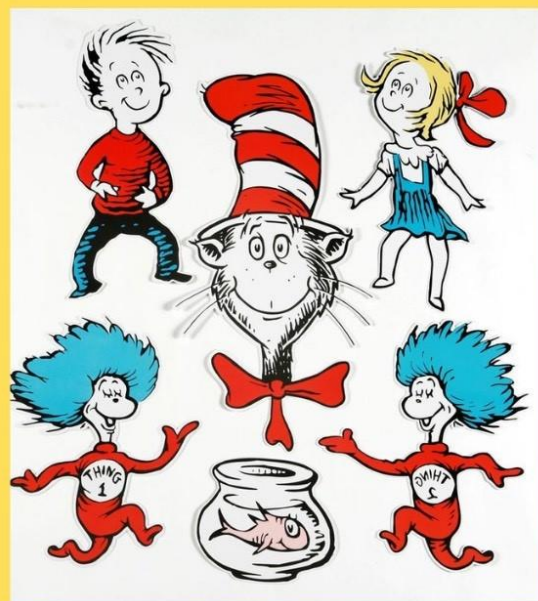
Time: 6:45am-6:30pm

Attire: Dr Seuss dress up!

**Enjoy some yummy snacks
and Dr Seuss themed
activities**



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magic
WHEREVER YOU
look.
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relax,
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A book!
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