# **Primary Post**

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### PRINCIPAL REPORT

Hello everyone,

I trust you enjoyed the long weekend. We move into the middle of Term 4 with determination to achieve student learning growth before the year concludes. With report writing about to commence, teachers are still delivering targeted lessons to their students which address the next stages of learning. In Mathematics, some students are working through units focusing on applied concepts such as measurement or chance, while other teams are returning to an intensive number focus. In particular, our



Year 1/2 team are developing number skills with a focus on division. In the early stages the language for this concept is on sharing and the importance of 'equally' shared. There are so many opportunities for families to embrace the learning journey at home. Regular experiences with language, number, science etc. lead to a richer understanding. The next time you give your child a fun size pack of M&M's – have them create a repeating pattern with the colours – or even better, have them sort and classify the colours. When you're next watching a sports game on TV, challenge them to interpret the scores, the difference between the numbers or explain further the use of percentages in statistics. Learning is all around us and everything is an opportunity.

Next week our swimming program commences for Years 3 to 6. Hopefully the recent wet weather passes, and we get some sunny days down at the pool. For those participating, please consider sending your child with a waterproof jacket or umbrella for the walk to and from the pool.

With the commencement of swimming on Monday, we will move our planned whole school assembly to Friday next week. Parents/carers are welcome to attend our gathering at 9:00am on Friday morning with the presentation of awards, learning and a special recognition of Remembrance Day.

Today was the deadline for all parent class requests. Please remember you do not need to submit your child's preferences as they have completed this in class. No more requests can be accepted after today as the process of creating classes will start soon.

Enjoy a great weekend!

Ty Hoggins Principal

### **CALENDAR**

| November | Year 3-6      |  |
|----------|---------------|--|
| 7        | Swimming      |  |
|          | lessons begin |  |
| November | Full School   |  |
| 11       | Assembly- 9am |  |
|          |               |  |
| November | 2023          |  |
| 15       | Foundation    |  |
|          | Info Night    |  |
| November | 2023 Year 6   |  |
| 18       | Polo/Jacket   |  |
|          | forms due     |  |

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Wishing the following children a very Happy Birthday!

4<sup>th</sup> November Tommy 00M Hunter 00M Remi 00P Giovita 3/4W Kaili 5/6V

5<sup>th</sup> November Danika 5/6P

7<sup>th</sup> November Lincoln 1/2B Lachlan 1/2B Stevie 3/4DM

**8<sup>th</sup> November** Aaliyah 3/4L

9th November Hunter 00P Cadil 5/6G Kye 5/6T

**10**<sup>th</sup> November Alice 5/6P



#### ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

### Hello everyone

I hope you had a chance to do some of the things you enjoy over the Melbourne Cup long weekend. Despite the short week, it has been a busy few days, as we launch into the last six weeks of Term 4. Next week, the Year 5 students will be briefed about the student leadership process for 2023. Any Year 5 students interested in being a school leader, can apply for the role of school captain, house captain or SRC captain. Students interested in a house captain position will be asked to prepare a speech and present it to their peers in week 8. All the Year 5 students will be involved in the nomination process and Mr Leslie, along with myself and Mr Hoggins will complete the process once the school captains have been appointed. Students interested in applying for a school captain or SRC captain position will need to prepare a written application and present for an interview, also in week 8. Students will receive information to take home next week. The student leadership positions will be

announced at our Christmas assembly on Wednesday 14th December.

### Colour Run Update

This event, along with a visit from Kaboom Sports has been rescheduled to Thursday 1st December. The long-term forecast suggests the weather will be much warmer and the oval, which is still quite soft underfoot, will dry out enough that the CFA can give it a good watering as we head into summer. A reminder that all transactions and prize ordering must be completed online. Please do not send cash or prize orders to school as we can no longer accept these.

### **IMPORTANT**

PRIZE ORDERING OPENS ON MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER and CLOSES ON FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.

This timeframe will guarantee delivery before the end of the year.

## THE COLOUR RUN TOTAL SO FAR STANDS AT \$13,535

A reminder that our intensive swimming program commences on Monday 7th November. For the next two weeks. Years 3-6 students will attend the swimming program over 4 days each week. Our F-2 students will commence their intensive program on Monday 21st November. Please check Compass for additional information regarding groups and times.

Finally, the Year 3/4 inquiry expo will be held next Thursday night from 3.15-4.30PM in the 3/4 classrooms. I look forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes for a wonderful weekend with your family  $\bigcirc$ 

Rae Gittos Assistant Principal

### **GRADE 6 END OF YEAR CELEBRATAIONS**

Important dates to save for our Grade 6 families:

- Thursday 8th December 7pm- Graduation at Uni Hill Conference Centre
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December- End of Year Celebration at Funfields





**Swimming Program: Year 3 – 6** 

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|-------------------------|---|--|--|
| Week 6 (Years 3-6 only) | Monday 7th of November - Thursday 10th of November  |  |  |
| Week 7 (Years 3-6 only) | Monday 14th of November – Thursday 17th of November |  |  |

### **Groups:**

| Group                | Classes                     |  |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Red (33 Students)    | 34C, 34DM, 34MW Split 1     |  |  |
| Green (31 Students)  | 34DL, 34W, 34MW Split 2     |  |  |
| Blue (33 Students)   | 56RM, 56G, 34MW Split 3     |  |  |
| Yellow (32 Students) | 56T, 56V, 56P, 34MW Split 4 |  |  |

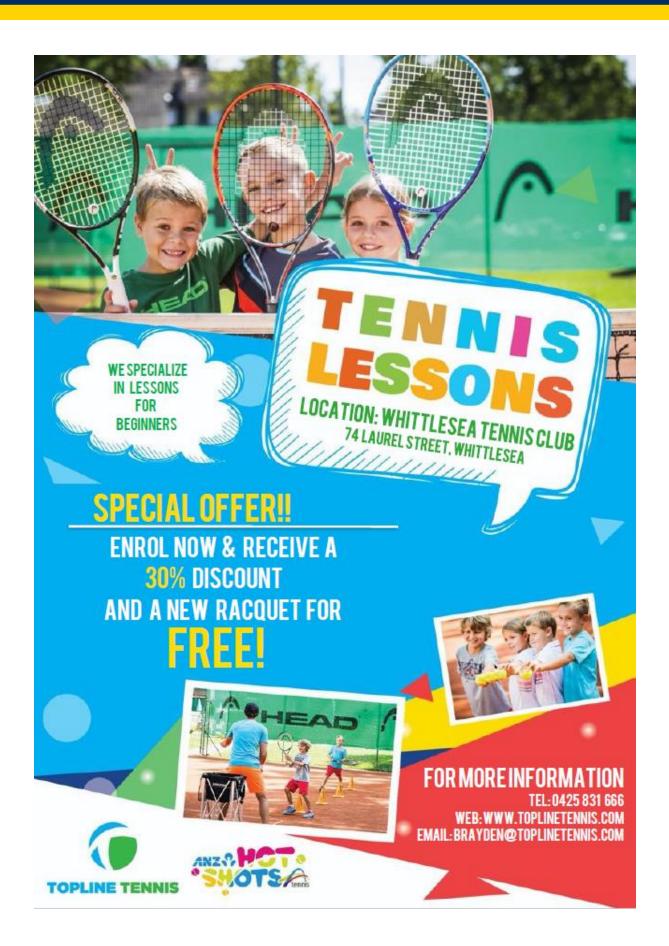
### Timetable:

| Group  | Time Leaving School               | Lesson Time | Time Returning to School |
|--------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Red    | 8.50am (assemble on soccer pitch) | 9.30am      | 10.50am                  |
| Green  | 9.30am                            | 10.15am     | 11.40am                  |
| Blue   | 10.15am                           | 11.00am     | 12.30pm                  |
| Yellow | 11.00am                           | 11.45am     | 1.10pm                   |

The Foundation, Year 1 & 2 schedule and groups will be sent home next week.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**







### **OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

### WHITTLESEA SHOW POSTPONED TO JANUARY 21st & 22nd

The weather has been against us from every angle and the grounds and parking areas are so wet we sink when we walk on them — in some parts up to our knees. We are very mindful of our responsibilities to have the best outcome considering the health and safety of our members, exhibitors, sponsors, volunteers and patrons.

We've all been wearing gum boots for weeks and it's just not getting any better. We have no choice but to jump in the puddles and postpone the 2022 Whittlesea Show to the new dates of the 21st & 22nd of January 2023; same place, different time. Gate tickets and exhibit entry will be rolled over to the new dates. We will work through this in the coming week.

We are very pleased to be able to secure the dates of the 21st and 22nd January 2023 and we look forward to seeing you then.

**Erica Hawke - President** 



