

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Carers,

Finally we're all back together learning 'live' in the classrooms. It's great to see all the happy faces as I walk around the school. I would like to congratulate all of our parents/carers for the marvellous job you all did in supporting your child/ren's education during the remote/flexible learning period last term. Hopefully you can relax now, knowing you did a great job and that the kids are back at school.

TREE MAINTENANCE

On Tuesday, a team of arborists from McLeod Trees carried out maintenance work on trees in the schoolground that were rated high priority for attention. They undertook pruning, weight reduction, and in one case, removal (one large tree that was considered a potential hazard). They did a great job and I feel confident that all our large trees are now considered safe.

SCHOOL CAMPS and EXCURSIONS

The Department of Education has advised that school camps can go ahead this term, for schools in regional areas. The senior 5-6 camp (Camp Adanac) that would have taken place next week, had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 uncertainty.

The Year 3-4's had a camp booked at **Beechworth** for early November (Wednesday 4th to Friday 6th). We contacted the Old Priory, where the students were to be accommodated and they were willing to add our Year 5-6's, to now make it a Year 3-6 camp, which is great news, as we didn't want our 5-6's missing out.

We would love all our students to attend, and so are willing to accept payment by instalments, to assist all our parents/carers to make it less of a financial burden. If you are worried about payment for the camp, please see me or Leanne in the office, to see what arrangements can be made. If no attempt to pay has been made before the camp commences, those students will be unable to attend.

Our **Year Two's** are having their **'Sleepover'** at school on **Friday, 16th October**. Year Two parents/carers should have received information and a permission slip regarding this event.

Then on November, 23rd the Preps and Year Ones will be going on an excursion to the Kyabram Fauna Park.

The Year 5-6's will head to Lake Mulwala on December, 10th for a fun session of paddleboarding.

So, as you can see, we have lots of activities planned, to give the students some exciting experiences after being in lockdown for so long.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

We will hold our first assembly for the term via Zoom on **Monday**, **12**th **October at 2:30pm**. An invite for all our parents/carers will go out next Monday on our Facebook page. Come and join us.

ENROLMENTS

We are currently taking enrolments for Preps in 2021. If you have a 'preppie' commencing next year, we would encourage you to complete the enrolment as soon as possible, to enable us to plan for next year. If you know of any other parents in the area, with future Preps, please pass on this information.

Regards,

Geoff Weppner.