Principals Message

We live in a changing world. Eric Hoffer (an American philosopher) once indicated that in a changing world it is the learners who will adapt, while those who think they know it all will find themselves perfectly suited to a world that no longer exists.

Exceptional schools prepare students for the future – it is where they will spend the rest of their lives.

On Friday, you will receive your child’s End of Semester 1 Report. This report is based on what your child currently knows and can do. However, it is the future we are concerned about. Therefore, I urge each parent to make a parent-teacher meeting time to discuss your child’s current achievements and future growth areas.

I read each child’s report and am energised when I read of their learning progress and improved personal development. However, it is the applied effort result that I am most interested in. Effort leads to future achievement – successful people know this.

Warmest regards,

John Hinton
Prep Open Morning

We will be hosting a ‘non-compulsory’ morning of play and learning for families enrolling or considering enrolling for Prep in 2015.

The Open Morning will occur on the 11th of June from 9.00-10:30am in our P/1 classroom.

Please pass the message on to anyone you know who may be interested in checking us out.

Prep Enrolment

2015 Prep Enrolment is open. I would appreciate all current families, with children beginning prep next year, to complete enrolment as soon as possible. This enables our Leadership Team to more reliably predict our 2015 prep cohort and future class arrangements which benefits all children. Please help spread the word – prep enrolment early please.

St Joseph’s Athletic Carnival

Our athletics carnivals are approaching (Friday, 20th June & Friday, 18th July). We are looking for parental help to run these carnivals. If you are available and willing, please register your interest at the office or complete the form that accompanied last week’s newsletter.

Sussical Auditions

On the 20th June, from 5.30pm, St Joseph’s School is hosting an auditions evening for the main roles of the Sussical Musical. If you or/and your child would like to have an audition, please see the flyer which accompanies last week’s newsletter.
Student Banking Competition
Thanks to the Commonwealth Bank we have 3 prizes to give away. In Term 3 we will be running a Super Savers Banking Competition. For every deposit you make through school banking during term 3, you will receive an entry into the draw. It will be drawn on Tuesday, 16th Sept.

Evacuation Procedures
We have two fire drills each year. During these drills students know what is expected of them. They follow staff instructions, exit classrooms and assemble on the oval near the tennis courts. If you, as an adult, are on school grounds during a fire evacuation procedure, we ask you to follow the lead of staff:
1. You will hear an evacuation alarm.
2. Classes make their way to the assembly point.
3. Follow staff instructions to the assembly point, even if you are sure it is a drill.

We have one lock down drill each year. During these drills students know what is expected of them. They follow staff instructions, sit on the carpet and remain quiet. If you, as an adult, are on school grounds during a lock down procedure, we ask you to follow the lead of staff:
1. You will hear a song called, ‘This Is Our School’ played over the speakers.
2. Staff will be locking doors and windows and checking the toilets and other areas.
3. Follow staff instructions to a safe locked space, even if you are sure it is a drill.

Steak of Origin Update
Unfortunately technology has again let us down and we are unable to host a Steak of Origin this year. Gaining television reception sounds like an easy task, however when we have a complicated wireless system, even expects are left baffled. Our apology for any inconvenience.

St Joseph’s going Paperless with Newsletters and Billing
We would like to start sending Newsletters and Accounts by email and are asking families to provide an email address so that we can set this in motion. If you do not have an email address or would prefer to still receive a hardcopy, please let the office staff know.

Please complete the form on the back page and return.
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