Today is a newsletter full of ‘Thank Yous’ to our school community. We are very lucky to have such a wonderful group of students, teachers and parents/carers at our school.

Thank you to Naomi Eales and her group of helpers who provided our students with the opportunity to buy gifts for their Dad’s and Grandfather’s for Fathers’ Day. This is very special to our students and we really appreciate it. We hope all of the Dads had a great day and were spoilt on the day.

Wow! What a concert!

Parents who have attended previous school concerts will have noticed a difference in the format this year. Starting in 2015, a group of teachers and students attended workshops with Chris Thompson, a professional Performing Artist from the Arts Centre, who challenged us to be more creative and involve our students more in planning ideas for the concert.

The theme of the concert was also around a major priority for our school in 2016, ‘Writing’. It was so impressive to see students demonstrating their understanding of the writing process. The student writing that was highlighted did everything that writing is supposed to do; it informed us, made us laugh, made us think and sometimes made us sad.

Thank you to Felicity O’Halloran for the amazing job you did with organising the concert. You encouraged and supported our teachers and students, organised the venue, the technical requirements, the ticketing, the student interviews, the music and a whole lot of other stuff in the background. Our whole school item was great fun and took a lot of organising to bring together. It was an amazing night. Thank you.

Thank you to the concert committee who supported Felicity with planning and organising. You supported your teams and helped with organising buses for rehearsal and other things. Thank you.

THANK YOU to the student leaders who attended training with teachers and helped plan ideas for concert items. Thank you.

Thank you to all parents, carers, grandparents, siblings, friends etc who helped with costumes and attended the concert and clapped and cheered. The kids loved to perform for you. Thank you.

Thank you to our wonderful staff, teachers and ESS for your hard work in bringing it all together, including helping students to rehearse, making props, creating the background video, helping with ticketing, ushering, etc. It was great to see Daniel there too, I’m sure he was very proud of everyone involved. Thank you.

Last but not least, thank you to the wonderful students at Hamlyn Banks. You made us very proud. Well done.

State School Spectacular- Felicity now moves her attention to the State School Spectacular which is on at Hisense Arena this weekend. Students who are involved have rehearsed hard and I know this is always an amazing event. All the best to all participants.

Swimming- Please keep the swimming notes coming in. Being able to swim and be safe is so important for where we live. Don’t forget to write your child’s swimming level on the bottom of the note if you know it.

Kerrie Duan
Mathletics

Congratulations to this week's Mathletics Award Winners

Giorgio G  Charlie Q  Kiara E  Tamara V  Lakiah F
Prep C  1H  2H  4/3P  6/5D
3400 points  2370 points  31681 points  2544 points  8580 points

Class winners this week:
Prep C (3990 points)  1H (8396 points)  2H (71754 points)  4/3P (16383 points)  6/5D (50705 points)

Congratulations to 6/5D – they have been putting in a huge effort last couple of weeks to take the trophy and this week they got the double. Let’s hope they can keep it up and retain them next week. A massive effort by 2H – 71754 points.
School Canteen
The school canteen will be available for lunch orders Wednesday & Fridays. Over counter sales will be available these days as well. Menus have gone home and are also available either on the School Web page or outside the canteen. Could all parents please write lunch orders on a brown paper bag.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Prep C: Myree S
For an awesome job singing & dancing for the school concert.

Prep F: Colbey S
For showing a more focused approach to his classwork. Well done Colbey!

Prep U: Aiden L
For his enthusiastic effort during concert rehearsals!

Grade 1D: Matthew R
For working hard in guided reading to achieve.

Grade 1H: Onyx W
For great participation during class discussions.

Grade 1W: Aiden K
For never giving up! An awesome attitude towards everything he does.

Grade 2D: Ava M
For a dazzling concert performance!

Grade 2H: Kiara E
For her enthusiastic effort during all concert practice!

Grade 43J: Lucy B
For being the angriest students on stage—what a performance!

Grade 43M: Rahnn C
For her great performance during concert rehearsal.

Grade 43P: Josh H
For being an amazing reader and using decoding strategies just right for him.

Grade 43S: Tia S
For the great effort she puts into make our room a tidy and safe environment.

Grade 43T: James T & Gen S
For applying themselves during concert practice.

Grade 65D: Sophia L & Charla C
For being super confident during our school concert.

Grade 65G: Jacinta L
For being creative and presenting her projects outside the box! Awesome job!

Grade 65H: Sarah M
For working hard to bring her cheer together for the concert.

Grade 65U: Liam R
For his awesome Concert Performance.

Visual Arts Star: Gemma M
For always being punctual and positive.
This past week in OSHC...

This past week we’ve done a mix of group activities and individual activities. We have done colouring sheets and word puzzles to help stimulate our minds before class. But still allowing them to be creative.

We are still working at getting along with one another, our group activities have helped to encourage the kids to work together and move past their indifferences.

Bree

Hi everyone,

Just a couple of reminders this week as we wind down to the end of term, Save 50% or more on Before and After School Care with the Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call the customer service team on 1300 105 343.

Holiday clubs, don’t forget about the Camp Australia Holiday Clubs these school holidays. A Camp Australia Holiday Club runs out of Kardinia International School, so if you would like your child to attend each and every day or just a couple, log onto www.campaustralia.com.au to register them and find out more about the exciting days planned.

Afternoon tea is served daily. Our menus are tailored to the children's tastes, developmental and nutritional needs. Afternoon tea includes a selection of fruit each and every afternoon. The children have a huge say in what we eat each week and this is reflected in our cooking experiences. We have a yummy menu already planned for next term.

Just a reminder that it would be really great if parents could send a text message to the service to let me know when your child is not attending on a day that has been booked. We have special procedures to go through when a child is not in attendance that should be. A quick text could save us some time and unnecessary stress looking for a child that is already at home. It is also Camp Australia policy to charge you for a non attendance if 7 days notice has not been given. I realise that it is difficult to give 7 days notice especially when it comes to children and illness, if you get a doctors certificate for the day your child is away and email it to head office they will not charge you for this absence. You can contact head office on the number above for more information.

Thanks for your time,

Mel