Reflecting on and Celebrating our Achievements

Students and staff at Les Powell School has completed another extremely busy and productive term. Among many achievements I would like to point out the following:

- I would like to congratulate our students and staff on their achievements this term.
- Students have been focused, engaged and have built on their knowledge and skills.
- I am particularly pleased with the implementation of the Positive Behaviours Intervention and Support program (PBIS), communication and the therapy support program as well as the use of the sensory library.
- We joined with the school community to celebrate students achievements and progress with an open day in Education Week where the parents/carers and community visited the school and witnessed firsthand students showing their skills in various learning areas.
- Parents and carers were invited to meet with the teachers to review students Educational programs and make the necessary adjustments.
- Parents group also met regularly with Denise (our community liaison officer) and various presenters to address various topics nominated by parents including Mosaic group.
- We completed Annual Student Reviews ensuring all students’ needs were addressed.
- Completed the assessment for year 12 students for their post school option transition program.
- We celebrated National Recognition Week for School Administrative and Support Staff where their fantastic work was publically acknowledged.
- With community access programs and class excursions our students had the opportunity to visit various venues in the community and participated in arts, sporting events, picnics and activity centres.

On behalf of all students I would like to sincerely thank you for your continued participation in and support of our school activities. School staff for their unwavering commitment for extending students educational experiences and learning opportunities.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe, relaxing and enjoyable spring vacation.

STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL
Tuesday 7th OCTOBER.
Class 3D

3D has had an exciting time this term. The class has been concentrating on the theme of animals during our library sessions and have also created several large pictures of Australian animals that have received gushing praise from a large number of people in the school community. Students have also enjoyed their regular sessions in the sensory room trying out different equipment each week. The participation of all students during our sport sessions this term has been excellent and is a credit to the determination of the students. The students also enjoyed playing dress-ups as a fathers day activity during their library session. We are all looking forward to a great holiday after a busy term and look forward to returning for a fantastic term 4 four.
This term class 5/6M has been working on the theme “Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear” during their library sessions.

The class has been working on creating several story boxes and enjoyed sensory activities for a number of texts including, “Biscuit Bear”, “This is the Bear”, “Brian the Smelly Bear” and “The Very Cranky Bear”.

Students participated in activities that provided visual and tactile stimulus through the use of props, music and sensory activities to bring the stories to life.

The class also took part in an incursion organised as part of the library program to conclude the theme. Activities included baking biscuit bear cookies, playing teddy parachute games and creating bear themed craft.

Enjoy some of this term’s library highlights.

Have a safe and restful holiday!

Regards,

Marise, Michael and Mariana
Kim and Darlene
Well, the end of term 3 is upon us and it’s been a busy term for everyone. Our Parent Mosaic Group is going well with some wonderful artworks in progress. Participants say it’s very relaxing and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves. Please note some date changes under Diary Dates due to circumstances beyond our control. Thank you for the responses so far for the Trustee and Guardianship Workshop. Please do try and attend as some vital information regarding your right as a carer will be discussed. Also, don’t forget the Transition to Adulthood Parent Session to be held at Westmead on the 15th October. Registrations close this week.

A reminder that our student canteen is up and running and your support is a very important element to its success, and as it is Fruit and Vegetable month please remember to eat at least 2 pieces of fruit and 5 servings of vegetables per day.

I’d like to wish everyone a safe, happy and relaxing holiday.

DIARY DATES

Mosaic Classes at School:
Thursday 9th October,
Tuesday 14th October,
Thursday 23rd October
Thursday 30th October

Transition to Adulthood Parent Session at Westmead Children’s Hospital:
Wednesday 15th October

NSW Public Trustee & Guardianship Parent Workshop:
Wednesday 29th October

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Kitchen Kapers—VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Thank you to the parents who have been attending our Kitchen Kapers program. We would love to see some Vietnamese, Chinese or South American dishes too. If you would like to share a recipe from your own cultural back-ground, be it sweets, a main dish, dessert or even cake decorating, please give me a call or email me so that I can arrange for you to give a lesson. All equipment supplied.

UNIFORM SHOP

I will be placing an order for summer uniforms at the beginning of Term 4. Attached to this newsletter is a Uniform Order Sheet. If you require any summer uniforms please fill in the order form and send it back to me by Wednesday 8th October so that I can place the order straight away.
If you would like to purchase any uniforms, please complete and return the order form and return to Les Powell School with payment.

Please contact Denise or Sharon if you require any information.

PLEASE CHOOSE THE SIZE CAREFULLY, AS WE ARE UNABLE TO EXCHANGE OR REFUND ANY ITEMS ORDERED.

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