IMPORTANT DATES FOR WEEK 9

WEDNESDAY 10TH

• LIBRARY VAN
• WESTERN CROSS COUNTRY

FLU SEASON

We are being impacted by the seasonal coughs, colds and flu at the moment.
In general, influenza viruses are spread in two ways

1) Respiratory droplets from an infected person's cough or sneezes.
2) Touching contaminated surfaces (including hands) and then touching your mouth, nose or eyes.

What can be done to stop the spread of flu?

• Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing
• Dispose of tissues immediately after use into a container with a disposable lining.
• Wash hands often with soap and water when coughing or sneezing. Alcohol based hand cleaners are also effective.
• Regularly clean tables, benches, door knobs regularly as the flu viruses can survive on some hard surfaces for up to two days.

• Display hygiene procedures in bathrooms, staffrooms and toilet areas for staff, students and visitors.
• Keep your distance from others (at least one meter apart where possible) will help reduce the chances of germs spreading.

Anyone who is sick with flu symptoms should be advised to stay at home until their symptoms are gone.

STUDENT ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

We cannot express enough the importance for all students to arrive at school on time. It can be very disruptive to their learning and their fellow classmates if students are arriving late or leaving early.

We understand under special circumstances that it may be unavoidable and are more than happy to work out arrangements when necessary.

COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR CLASSROOM TEACHER

If you need to speak to your child's teacher regarding your child, please contact the office to make an appointment.

Teachers are often busy preparing lessons prior to school and are not available to meet with parents without an appointment.

STAFFING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIS WEEK

This week there are a number of factors impacting the normal staffing of our school.
The following arrangements will be in place:
K and Year 1 = Mrs Pangas will be in from Wednesday to Friday
Yr 1 and 2 = Mr Pangas on Wednesday and Friday
Year 4, 5 and 6 = Miss Hotham on Wednesday and Mrs Murphy on Thursday and Friday.

Please address any concerns throughout the week through the usual means.

**STATIONERY EQUIPMENT FOR STUDENTS**

From time to time some parents request what stationery is needed to be supplied by the students. As we are nearly halfway through the year parents are requested to have a look at their child’s needs.

The following points are requested to be considered:

- Pencil cases are to remain at school. Students are requested to not take them home. If they are required for homework parents are requested to purchase another set of equipment
- Stationery items purchased from branded stores do not have the quality as cheaper versions (save your money)

Items not requested to be brought to school:
- metal rulers, flexible rulers (or ones that fold in half)
- correction fluid
- glue sticks (we have them)
- novelty items, or attached toy items

Specific Requests:
Kindergarten and Year 1
- no stationery items needed as the school supplies all items
- art shirt or art smock

Year 2 to 6
- art shirt or art smock
- x2 HB pencils
- x1 small pencil case
- x1 eraser
- Coloured pencils
- Sharpener in a pot to catch the shavings
- Ruler (not bendy or metal)
- Library bag
- Students in Years 4 to 6 that have been awarded a pen licence are requested to have a blue and red ballpoint pen that are a standard BIC or Kilometro pen brands.

**CALENDAR**

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Farewell Mrs Robins