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### ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

"Morning is an important time of the day, because how you spend your morning can often tell you what kind of day you are going to have". Lemony Snicket.

Word of the week: Dexterous—Skilful and competent with the hands.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES IN NOVEMBER**

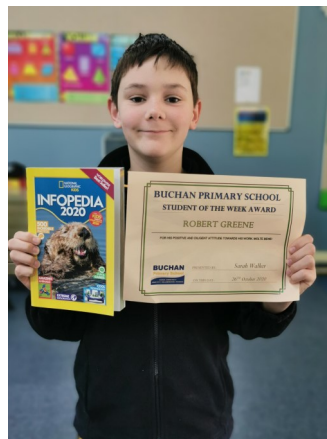
Hats to be worn	- Term 4
Drink bottles required	- Term 4
Hot lunch	- Every Thursday
<b>Normal School day</b>	- <b>Monday 2nd November</b>
Public Holiday	- Tuesday 3rd —Melbourne Cup.
School photos	- Monday 9th November.
NAIDOC WEEK	- Monday 9th - Friday 13th
MARC VAN	- Wednesday 11th, 16th & 25th November.
Whole school excursion	- Thursday 12th. Awaiting confirmation.
Evacuation drill onsite	- Wednesday 18th.
Senior school excursion in lieu of camp	-Pending confirmation of activity and date.
Journey of Hope	- Friday 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th.
Rhythm to Recovery	- 9th, 16th and 30th November.

Wuman Njinde Parents, Students and the School Community,

At the moment we are still finalising our staffing arrangements for 2021 and class structure. Our current enrolment for 2021 is 23 and this will be subject to change if we have any enrolment additions before the beginning of 2021. Whilst all students benefit with extra support in the classrooms, our ability to do this is based on the size of the school and our budget. I will be working with our Business Manager Julie and our Strategic Financial Management Advisor to see what further options we have regarding the employment of additional staff once we finalise the ESS position for 2021. We will be having a sausage sizzle tomorrow (Sausage in bread), to celebrate World Teacher's Day. The sausage sizzle is not compulsory and children

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following student who achieved a Student of the Week Award: Robbie G— For his positive and diligent attitude towards his work. Molte Bene!



## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We have quite a few November birthday celebrations happening throughout this month including 2 students celebrating their birthday on the same day. A big shout out and happy birthday to the following students; Lachlan, Jackson, Tom, Jack and Ashleigh.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Due to the change with COVID-19 restrictions in Metropolitan Melbourne, we will now be able to have school photos. This will occur on Monday 9th November and all children will be required to wear school uniform and bring with them a big SMILE.

## COVID-19 UPDATES

For the latest information, please visit

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>

Information on COVID-19 will continue to be provided to parents and carers as it becomes available via our newsletter. Students are still not currently able to use the drink taps at school. So to ensure that our students remain hydrated, we encourage you to please remind your child to bring a drink bottle to school each day. Students are able to fill up their drink bottles from the taps in the classrooms if they need to.

## LOST PROPERTY

We are still seeing a lot clothing and lunch box items in the lost property container in the main hallway that is not named. I would like to thank all the senior students who do a wonderful job each week ensuring labelled clothing is returned to their rightful owner. If your child is missing a jacket, windcheater, track-suit pants and or lunch box containers, this is the first point of call.

## BONDS CLOTHING

I put in an application at the start of this term for brand new Bonds clothing for our school community and we were successful with this application. I am expecting delivery of these box/es in December and I will let you know what stock is available for you to take home once they have been received.

## FOOD BANK

Thank to our parents and children who have collected their Food Bank boxes. Please help yourself to the stock on offer in the hallway as we have plenty of tins of fruit, spaghetti, baked beans, honey etc available to take home.

making sure our children are safe crossing the road.

## THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR IN YOUR CHILD'S SUCCESS IS YOU

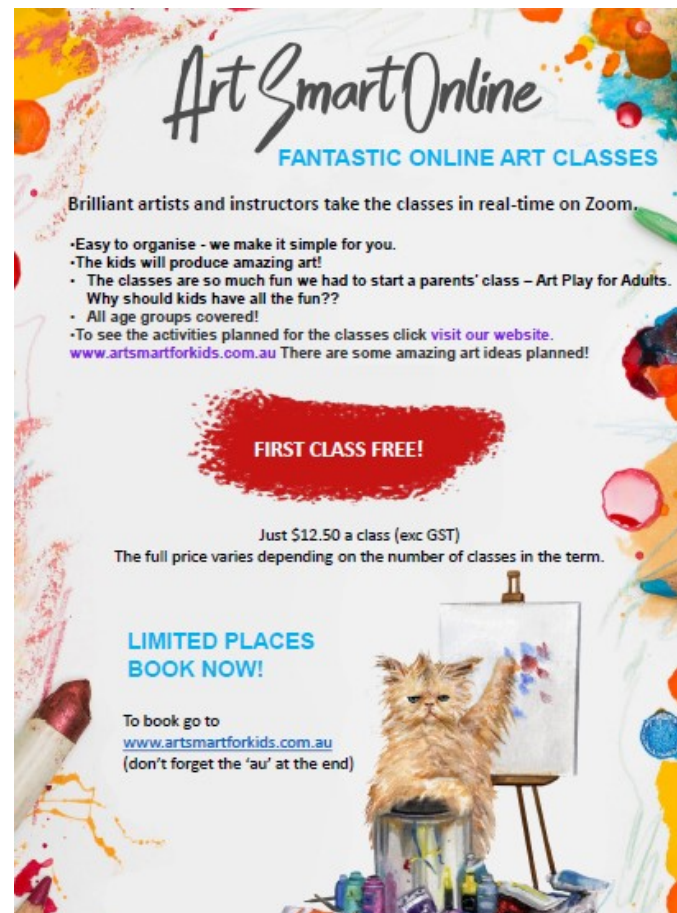
Research shows that what works best in education is collaboration - you are the first teacher and we are the second. Bill and I are always willing to set time aside to discuss your child's wellbeing and academic progress with you. Even though we had our parent / teacher conversations last week, we will continue to keep you informed of any changes as they arise in relation to your child's learning and social and emotional wellbeing as Term 4 progresses.

### MARC VAN

I love it when I see children read and it is terrific that they have a well stocked school library and MARC Van to choose a wide range of books from. Please support both libraries by returning books to school once they have been read so that others can enjoy them too.

### HOMEWORK

Students in the senior school have weekly homework tasks to complete which includes reading to self and out loud at least 3 times per week and a spelling sheet. Homework is handed out each Friday and due back the following Friday. A spelling test on the high frequent words occurs on the Friday morning.



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