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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What an exciting week it has been! We have loved welcoming our Grade Prep, 1 and 2 students back to the school. Everyone has loved having our school filled with the beautiful sound of children learning and playing. The day was not complete without the students singing along to 'It's Raining Tacos' during lunch eating. The teachers have all been very impressed with how well everyone has settled back in to the school routine. Very well done to our junior students.

Our middle and senior students continue to learn from home until Tuesday 9th June. I commend our remote learners for continuing to remain focussed and motivated for these last couple of weeks. The Grade 3 to 6 teachers are really looking forward to having you all back at school.

Presently our teachers are writing the end of Semester One reports. The report format will be slightly modified this year due to the extended remote learning period throughout term 2. The key difference is that the Learning Areas and Work Habits sections are omitted for this reporting period as so much of the learning this semester has been completed in the remote learning context. We plan to hold student led conferences early to mid term 3 and we will let you know whether or not these will be carried out online closer to the time.

On Monday our online assembly will commence at 9:05am, this will give parents who are doing a school drop off time to get back home to join us online. Thanks

Acknowledgement of Country Signage

We have new Acknowledgement of Country signage as you enter our school administration building. Above the doorway we have Welcome to Country in Kurnai language written by Russell Mullett and on either side of the doors we have the totem animals; the female Blue Wren, Djeetgun and the male Emu Wren, Yeerung. Russell Mullett is our Kurnai elder and he has led us through this project.

I am personally very excited to have our beautiful Kurnai language featured upon entry to our school. It is special to have our elder's voice welcome us to our special place of learning.

Our thanks also to Jacqui Teague of Colourlogic who put the graphics together and Signline who produced the boards.





Art Outside

This week in art the Grade 1 and 2 students made faces and love hearts out of leaves and stones. The faces the students produced were stunning! We captured these beautiful creations before returning all the materials to the garden. Great job everyone!

Our School Gardens

Shout out to our amazing ES who, as well as working hard for our students, have been working hard on our school grounds during our time in remote learning. Cecile, Suzy and Andrew Oates have been working on our school vegetable garden and it looks amazing. It is such a pleasant place to spend time in and we are looking forward to our students all enjoying it too.

A few weeks ago Caroline and Connor got stuck into the garden outside the administration building and it looks open, neat and tidy.

Thanks very much everyone.



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club has been very popular with our students, well done to Suzy for doing such a great job. Between 8:30am and 8:50am the kitchen is warm and full of happy students (and quite a few staff) enjoying food, drink and each others company. I'll remember to get a photo for next week's newsletter.

