Dear Parents and carers,

It is the partnership between school and home that makes all the difference to the learning of our students. Working together we can achieve great things for the students. It seems timely to share a quote from a local parent association that conveys this message so nicely.

“Our current schooling culture must grow crucial partnerships between parents and schools to bring about greater student success and shared responsibility of learning”. Association of Parents and Friends of ACT Schools. It is also timely to acknowledge the enormous support given to our school by our P&C.
Please consider attending our P&C Meetings and contributing to the learning of our children.

Semester Reports
All reports for Kindergarten to Year 10 will be issued on Friday 27 June. Parent/Teacher interviews for Kindergarten to Year 5 will be held in week 10 each morning and afternoon. Individual teacher timeslots are coming home on a note.

Winter Concert
Thanks to all students and staff involved in the Winter Concert. It was an outstanding display of skills and expertise. The opportunity to show case the enormous talents our students are developing is extremely important and the parent and community support makes the evening a great success. Special thanks to Mr Sinclair, Ms Fattore, Ms Hewat, Ms Oldham and Ms Robertson for organising this important event.

Star Gazing
The Year 3 students had an exciting incursion Star Gazing last week. There were lots of new planets and stars for people to discover. The students reported that they really enjoyed the event. Thanks also to the Year 3 team for the Star Gazing incursion. What a fabulous learning opportunity for our students.

Student Achievements
Samaar and Ross from Mr Reardon’s Year 4 class have completed some excellent work on area. They have made up their names in blocks of space and then they had to calculate the area they used. This is a great example of creative ways to reinforce important mathematical concepts.

Josh, Bailey, Skye, Lubna and Logan from Buddies work this week have produced outstanding NAIDOC Week Shields. The combined efforts of older students working with younger buddies helped to produce some quality work. What a terrific learning experience.

Matty from Ms Priddle’s Year 3 class has produced an enormous list of nouns. From his silent reading book he has found lots and lots of different nouns that he has carefully copied. It is great to see this keen learner developing his skills.

Kye from Ms Priddle’s Year 3 class has written a great poem with his dad. Please enjoy their great work.

Time to rug up
Now
Win/ter is up/on us Yeah
Hope it does not Rain.

Calendar Dates

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Nyanthiei and Myavel from Ms Beattie’s Girls Fitness Class have planned, organised and conducted an excellent lesson. They selected muscular strength and cardiovascular fitness as their areas of focus and used Swiss balls and a boxing gear as their physical areas for their lesson. The girls both demonstrated excellent leadership and organisational skills.

Lachlan B from Ms Winter’s Year 4 class has done some excellent work in spelling. Lachlan has completed the spelling list of not only his group but also of another group from his class. Lachlan is a highly motivated learner and deserves great credit for his work.

Class Visits
In Ms Winter’s Year 4 class students are very busy writing Convict Journals. Students have been given Fact Files on convicts who were part of the First Fleet. They then write about themselves as these different convicts creating aspects of their lives that they believe were possible. It is terrific to see the students all contributing to discussions about what they could or could not include in their work. They have already started on their first drafts and it is certain that many masterpieces will be created. What a terrific way to bring the history of the First Fleet to life.

In Ms Glover’s Preschool class the students are searching the sandpit for more dinosaur bones. They have spent parts of the last few days looking at skeletons and different animal bone structures as part of their learning program. It was terrific to see the students looking at different pictures of prehistoric animal bones and working out which animal might have had which bone structure. They then put on their hats and coats and went digging in the sandpit. It was fabulous to see this class of paleontologists uncovering and cleaning up bones buried in their own sandpit. It is amazing the wild beasts that roamed the Amaroo area many years ago. What a fabulous learning experience.

Year 3 portables progress

As always, please contact the Deputy Principals; Benjamin Hall, Gail Taylor, Sam Beattie, Tiffany Mahon or myself, to clarify any issue of concern to you. The whole school team at Amaroo School are committed to working with our community to ensure our students have the very best opportunities to learn.

Richard Powell
Principal
Amaroo School

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