Dear parents and carers,

The swimming carnivals last week were a great success. Amaroo School was the first school to use the new Gungahlin Pool and there were some teething problems that we addressed during the two carnivals. The Pool Management worked with our staff to address noise issues and to improve the announcement system. The student behaviour and participation were outstanding and the events were a wonderful learning experience for our students. Special thanks to our coordinators Andrew Beecher, Kerry Bryant and Courtney Watt.

Excursions and incursions
Students at Amaroo School are invited to attend a range of excursions and incursions related to the units of work they are learning about throughout the year. We encourage all students to attend these events as they enrich and enhance students learning. Permission notes for excursions will go out as soon as possible prior to the excursion/incursion and they will need to be returned by the due date. As the school needs to book buses and be invoiced for excursions in advance it is very difficult to process late payments. Students who are sick or absent for any reason need to contact the school as soon as possible if the due date deadline has passed. We appreciate your continued support.

School Zone Changes
The Amaroo School Speed Zone was extended last week and now includes more areas near the Petrol Station end of our school. We hope these changes will ensure the travel to and from school for our students is safer as a result. Unfortunately we were not informed that the changes to the signposts had taken place and it took us a little time to put these signs into service. They are now operating correctly and we hope they will assist in traffic flow near our school.

Student Achievements
Tyson from Mr Young’s Year 2 class has produced some excellent maths work. Tyson has identified different shapes and divided them into different sized sections. What a terrific effort Tyson, it is great to see you producing your best work.

Isaac, Dylan and Finn from Ms Robert’s Year 5 class have created some great examples of art work. Using the work of Henri Matisse they have created their own masterpieces and showed great flair and creativity. Excellent work by all these young budding artists.

Brooklyn, Alyssa, Sonny and Jamal from Ms Hall’s Kindergarten class have done some great writing. They have written about what they like doing which includes skipping, running, seeing rainbows and dinosaurs. Well done to all these great writers.

Class Visits
In Ms Paramo’s Year 9 science class students have been challenged to learn more about famous atomic scientists. Working in teams the students have to research a famous atomic theorist and produce a fact sheet and create a model of the bust of the scientist. Students chose between scientists like Marie Cure, Albert Einstein, Niels Bohr and Issac Newton. Then they had to discover their date of birth and death, outline their major contribution to atomic theory and record one weird fact about the scientist. The students were clearly motivated by this fun and challenging activity and we look forward to seeing the fabulous models they will create. What a terrific way to learn about science.
Second Hand Uniform Shop

Second hand uniforms will be available for sale on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8.30am-9.00am. The rack of clothes will be set up either in front of the canteen or in the case of bad weather in the front office.

All donations of uniforms are greatly appreciated and can be handed in to the front office.

Schools of the future Article from The Canberra Times.

Please find an interesting article from The Canberra Times on Schools of the future must adjust to technology in the link provided below-


As always, please contact the Deputy Principals; Ben Hall, Rebecca Turner, Sam Beattie, Tiffany Mahon or myself, to clarify any issue of concern to you. The whole school team at Amaroo School is 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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