Only 2 weeks to go before our next lot of school holidays. It’s hard to believe how quickly the year has gone. It has been a busy couple of weeks and the next two will be equally as busy with assessment and other activities happening. As we are almost at the end of Term 3, I would encourage everyone to take care of themselves so that we all make it to the finish line. Remember that ‘every day counts’ and particularly with assessment happening, it is important that everyone is at school. Remember to get plenty of good food, good rest and time for things you enjoy.

From the Acting Principal

Catherine Phillis

New School Sign

It is very exciting to see our new sign and garden finally finished. It is looking terrific and provides a very smart looking entrance to the school. Thanks again to Matt Luck for organising the new sheeting for the background.

Health & Physical Education

This term the students have been studying the health-related fitness components related to basketball skills and drills including cardiovascular, muscular endurance, strength and flexibility. They will have their test and exam for HPE in Week 10, which will cover the skills they have learned and the knowledge they have gained throughout the unit. They will have to have their Health Developmental Gameboard ready to present and play this day also. – Mrs Evitt
Night Of The Notables

This term students have been studying biographies and have written their own biography on a famous Australian. We are very excited to be doing this unit in conjunction with Year 5 at Middlemount Community School. To complete the unit, students will be creating a poster on their person and will be dressing as their person for the ‘Night Of The Notables.’ This is an open night for parents who will be encouraged to walk around and view the posters. They will also be encouraged to ask questions of the students (who will be in character). Students will therefore need to have a very thorough knowledge of the famous Australian they have studied. So far, some great biographies have been written and we are all very excited about joining Middlemount for what will be a fun night.

Learning About Residency And Citizenship

Having real-life experiences of the topics you are studying, is important for quality learning. We were very lucky therefore, to have Mrs Pamela Mckevitt visit our class and talk about her experiences when gaining residency and then citizenship in Australia. Mrs Mckevitt and her husband moved from Ireland about 6 years ago and have since had 2 boys born in Australia. This brought up lots of questions about whether you are still a resident in your original country. What happens when you are born in Australia but your parents are from another country? How many passports can you have? Which country do you vote in? Mrs Mckevitt also bought in some things for the boys to look at including her Citizenship certificate and she tested them on some practice questions for the Citizenship test. The students enjoyed hearing about some of the things she still enjoys from her culture and they had a lot of fun trying to pronounce some Irish words. A big thank you to Mrs Mckevitt for travelling out and sharing her experiences with us. It was very enjoyable and I’m sure it has added to the students’ understanding of their current topic.
Sports Camp – Quotes

Our tired but happy students returned from the Clermont ICPA Sports Camp on Friday after another fantastic year of sporting fun. Thankyou and well done to Mr Grant Frankish and Mrs Tanya Wight for spending the week at Clermont and helping out to make sure that everything ran smoothly. It is a huge week so I hope you managed a little Nanna or Poppy nap over the weekend. Lane was away and unable to give us his comment but we asked the other boys what they enjoyed about Sports Camp. This is what they said:

“I like the fact that it brings all of the isolated schools together to play team sports and make new friends. My favourite sports were soccer and Olympic Handball. I liked the fact that it was a team sport and you had to depend on your team a lot. All of the coaches were good. Especially the soccer coach because he was really funny. My favourite costumes at the party were Sally and Tegan’s because they went as two of the Ninja Turtles.” – Cameron Frankish

“I like Sports Camp because you get to meet new people and become friends with them. The activities at night time are lots of fun. My favourite sports were Olympic Handball and cricket because the coaches were really funny and they got us to do lots of fun stuff. I got to be goalie for handball. I liked the disco too because we got to see all the coaches and carers dressed up. Rob was probably my favourite because he went as Steve Irwin.” – Grady Wight

Word Of The Week

Next week’s word of the week is ‘obnoxious.’ A reminder to parents that using these words in your everyday speech is very valuable modelling for the students. I have been blown away by how keenly they look out for our words when they are reading or when I am speaking to them. They also love using the words when they are talking in class and will run to the board and point it out on our Word Wall.
The fortnight in pictures...
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
Father’s Day Tug-A-War Comp
Bash The Bomb

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