





Cook's Log

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Principal's Report

Our calendar for this term is filled with a number of whole-school events and essential learning excursion activities:

- ✚ Mothers' Day – The annual PFA Mother's Day Stall is being held next **MONDAY 7th MAY**, this is earlier in the week than normal, leading up to Mothers' Day so remember to send your children along with their money. This year we will also be holding a special 'Mothers' Day Breakfast' on **THURSDAY 10th MAY** starting 8:15am. Toast and Pancakes along with a tea or coffee will be served by our staff on the morning. 

- ✚ House Athletics – all students in Years Three to Six will be heading to the Knox Athletics Track next **WEDNESDAY 9th MAY** for the annual House Athletics competition. All students are asked to come along in their house colours to compete on what will be an action-packed day. 
- ✚ NAPLAN testing for our Year Three and Five students will be conducted on the mornings of **TUESDAY 15th – WEDNESDAY 16th – THURSDAY 17th MAY**.
- ✚ James Cook Primary School is holding a Mathematics & Science Activities Evening as our celebration of Education Week 2018. Families are invited to come along between 6.00 and 7.30pm on **WEDNESDAY 23rd MAY** and join in a range of engaging, hands-on learning activities. 
- ✚ Upcoming excursions – Historical City Walk (Years Five and Six) June 4th – Coal Creek (Years Three and Four) June 9th

This week I feel it is timely to remind parents and students about two important James Cook Primary School policies – our Electronic Devices Policy and our Uniform Policy:

The Electronic Devices Policy acknowledges that some students may need to have electronic devices with them when they come to school. It is essential however, that teaching and learning at James Cook Primary School take place in an environment that is free from the distraction of these devices. Inappropriate use of electronic devices will not be tolerated. Students bringing electronic devices to school must sign them in at the general office, as soon as they arrive at school as they are **not permitted** to be used during the school day. They can be collected and signed out after 3:30pm. Parents are also reminded that electronic devices are not to be used to record or photograph students – other than their own child/ren – at school events during the school day.

It is the time of year when parents are restocking uniform items for the impending Winter months. The Student Dress Code Policy clearly states that skirts, pants, skorts, shorts etc must be navy blue in colour. Only the James Cook Primary School Logo is permitted on any uniform items. Any visible undergarments such as t-shirts, skivvies, leggings must also be navy blue or sky blue (tops only). Black pants, leggings, shorts etc are not permitted.

I thank you all for your support with this.

Anne

"I do the very best I know how, the very best I can and mean to keep on doing so until the end."
(Abraham Lincoln)

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

Mon 7th Responsible Pet Ownership – Preps
 Mothers’ Day Stall
 Wed 9th House Athletics
 Thu 10th Mother’s Day Breakfast – 8am
 Fri 11th CURRICULUM DAY – **NO STUDENTS**
 Tue 15th School Council - 7pm
 Fri 18th District Cross Country
 Mon 28th 3/4s AFL Clinic - 11.30am – 12.30pm
 5/6 Melbourne City Tour

JUNE

Fri 1st 5/6s AFL Clinic - 1.30 – 3.30pm
 3/4s Coal Creek
 Mon 4th Hot Dog Lunch
 Division Cross Country
 5/6s AFL Clinic - 11.30am – 12.30pm
 3/4s AFL Clinic - 1.30 – 3.30pm
 Fri 8th
 Mon 11th **PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
 Tue 12th School Council – 7pm
 Fri 15th 3/4s AFL Clinic - 1.30 – 3.30pm
 Sat 16th Open Morning

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

PFA NEWS

Unfortunately due to lack of support we have had to cancel the upcoming Trivia Night.

PFA will be holding a parent and child movie night on Friday October 26th. We are hoping that our school community will support this event, come along and have some fun, and see a movie as well. Keep the date in your diary.

HOT DOG LUNCH

Our next special hot dog lunch day will be held on Monday 4th June. Notices have gone home this week.

CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER



\$1.00 each

Please return your signed consent form to sell our Cadbury Fundraiser Chocolates. Each chocolate is \$1.00 and all monies raised will help fund our shade cloth for the playground area. If you would can help us, please return the consent form and/or collect your chocolates from the office.

AUSTRALIAN EARLY DEVELOPMENT CENSUS

Every three years the Australian Government conduct a national census involving students in their first year of school. These results are used to help plan and allocate the right type of services, resources and support for communities. Further information will be sent home to all prep parents and guardians next week. If you have any questions, please see me.



Tracie

STUDENT OF WEEK 16/4 – 20/4		STUDENT OF WEEK 23/4 – 27/4	
Prep A	Claire	Prep A	Payton
Prep B	Zahra	Prep B	Savvy
1/2A	Aydan	1/2A	Anamta
1/2B	Riley	1/2B	Ehsan
1/2C	Jax	1/2C	Maya
1/2D	Kevin	1/2D	Charlotte
3/4B	Lachlan H	3/4B	Iva
5/6A	Nevaeh	5/6A	Ghaniya
5/6B	Madi	5/6B	Kelly
5/6C	Tandra	5/6C	Kim
Art	Kolio	Art	Stephanie
Mandarin	Wafiq	Mandarin	
Music		Music	Daniel L
P.E	Andreya	P.E	Yara

MELBOURNE FOOTBALL CLUB VISITS JAMES COOK

Module 3 had a visit from players from the Melbourne Football Club. Dom Tyson, Angus Brayshaw and Declan Keilty put our students through their paces with some marking and handballing drills. Students were then able to ask the players a few questions. We found out about their training, recovery, how many games they had played for Melbourne and what they eat after games. To get 4 free adult tickets with free entry for kids, to the Melbourne v Saints game on Sunday 1st July, register for tickets at: mfcd.e.s/MFCSchoolVisit



COLOUR RUN

Thanks to all the helpers and supporters at our first James Cook Colour Run. Everyone had a great day and it was an awesome way to finish the term. Students have forms for the District Cross Country team and are due back on the May 11th.

HOUSE ATHLETICS

Our House Athletics Carnival is on next Wednesday the 9th of May. Remember to wear your House colours and make sure your permission form has been returned.

Mrs Tidey

EXTEND AFTER SCHOOL CARE AT JAMES COOK

We have been cooking Honey Joys and the response was so good that we will make them again. Here at Extend, we have been thinking about how to help our community. Marie has been in contact with The Andrews Center in Endeavour Hills and we are going to grow some herbs from seeds and donate them to the Community Garden that the Andrews Center helps run so please keep an eye on this space for further information. See next week's activities below



Our Super Star is: Savanah for helping tidying the room.

Marie - Service coordinator

P: 1300 366 437 W: lookedafter.com.au

Monday 7 th May	Tuesday 8 th	Wednesday 9 th	Thursday 10 th	Friday 11 th
BSC Blocks and Lego buildings	BSC Outdoor exercising on the tiger turf	BSC Water drawing outside	BSC Making Chocolate Crackles	BSC Curriculum day No Students
ASC Starting to make our Mother's Day cards	ASC Air drying clay work Tea light holder	ASC Hide and seek in the playground	ASC Finishing our piñatas	ASC Curriculum day No students

Module 4

Democracy

In Term 1, we learnt about democracy as part of our Inquiry Learning topic. Democracy is about treating everyone equally and making sure that everyone has a say. What I mean by this, is that we need to treat everyone fairly in our community. Democracy also includes freedom of speech. This means that you have a right to express your opinion as long as you are not saying something that is against the law.

By Madi (5/6B)

On Wednesday the 14th of March, Module 4 participated in an incursion, organised by the Victorian Electoral Commission. Our host: James taught us about the preferential voting system. We had 5 parties to choose from Animal Welfare, Technology, Healthy Eating, Education and Environment. First, we all received a ballot paper where we wrote our party preferences. Then we put the paper in a ballot box. The votes were counted and eventually a party was declared the winner of the election. The party that won our election was Animal Welfare. We learnt that winning the election was the easy part, now the party has to live up to their ideas!

By Samuel (5/6C)



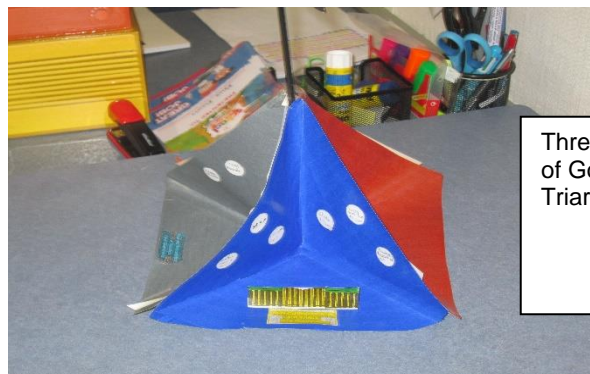
Sam and Madi reading their Animal Welfare speech.



Students voting at Ballot boxes



Votes being counted



Three Levels of Government Triarama

As part of our Democracy Inquiry Learning unit, we learnt about the different levels of government. We now know that there are three levels of government. The Local government is responsible for roads, parks, libraries and waste collection. The State government is responsible for schools, water, electricity and hospitals. The Federal government is responsible for immigration, marriage, police, housing services and defence.

By Najeeb (5/6A)