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21, May 2009

Term 2, Week 4

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Cross Country

Friday, July 10 (last day Term 2)

### Foundations

Sunday, July 12 -

Sunday, July 19

## TERM DATES

**Term 2** Tuesday, April 28 -

Friday, July 10

**Term 3** Tuesday, July 28 -

Friday, October 9

**Term 4** Tuesday, October 27 -

Wednesday, December 17

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Ask yourself always: How can this be done better?"

- G.C. LICHTENBERG

## BEANIES AND SCARVES

All those people who ordered beautiful, warm, green scarves and beanies, they have arrived! As soon as payment is received they're yours. ☺

## P&F MEETING

There will be a P&F meeting on Monday, May 25. All parents are welcome to come along. The more the merrier! The meeting will be held in the morning tea room at 10:45 am.

## PRAYER CORNER

Sometimes I think this prayer corner is getting stale and I write the same things in a different way every week!

But prayer is so, so important!  
God uses praying people.  
Please keep praying!

**"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus"**

- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

## THE STRUGGLE

Dear Parents,

Just this week I was reading about Baron Pierre de Coubertin, the founder of the modern Olympics. One thing he said that impressed me was the following message: "The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part. Just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle."

Winning is a problem with humans. We love a winner. The term 'loser' is derogatory. This attitude really is damaging to our games. Because the Tigers, an AFL team, failed by one accurate kick last weekend to win their game, the coach was going to be sacked etc. etc. In talking about the Olympic Games, why does the media when the Olympic Games are on, continually publish and proclaim the medal count? Of course the bigger and more affluent nations will be on top! Because we make a big deal of winning and winners, we cause all kinds of trouble. Could the sex scandals of football be tied back to this attitude of ours?

What I really liked about the Barron's message is the last part. The most important thing in life is the struggle! I shared with our students at assembly on Wednesday that the Apostle Paul at the end of his life told Timothy that he had "fought the good fight, ... finished the race, ... kept the faith." He didn't say he had won, but he did say he had finished.

Training your children, our children, in the way they should go is a struggle. I know some of you struggle, the rest of you must keep it a secret! Those we know about we pray for. We can do with God's help. We can ask Him and should ask Him. This struggle is fighting the good fight. I encourage you to keep going; ask God for wisdom. Start believing if you don't. Have faith in God and keep it.



Joel, Bayden & Jordan showing of their tasty teeth!

## UNIFORM

Dear Parents,

We ask that when your child leaves for school each morning that you check, when possible that they are correctly dressed. We have been noticing wrong shoes, no ties and hair not done. Also that sports uniform is being worn when school uniform should be.

Days are as follows for sports uniform this term:

Prep - Wednesday

Grade 1 - 2 - Thursday

Grade 3 - 6 - Monday & Wednesday

Grade 7 - 12 - Monday & Friday

## NEWS NEWS NEWS

Mrs. Renske Smith (Matthew & Rachael's mum) had her baby last Thursday. Jesse Rohan Smith was just over 7lbs. Mum and baby are doing well. We hope to see him at school sometime for a visit.

Mrs. Judy Sheehan, our very faithful bus driver is in hospital with pneumonia. We have missed her very much, not just for her driving, but also for her cheery and helpful ways. Get well soon, Mrs. Sheehan, we all miss you.

## KINDER/PREP REPORT

Our senses lesson this week was about tasting. We enjoyed making a tasty treat and smiley face using apple, peanut butter and marshmallows! Another run through the bush made us tired, but it was fun to talk on Joel's walkie talkies as we were walking along! The Kinder's have finished their second set of PACE's and they were excited to take them home and show all their good work to mum and dad.

### Prep Medal Winners

**Bayden** – for being well behaved

**Daniel** – for listening in assembly

**Joel** – hair, teeth, hankie, hands/fingernails, shoes

## GRADE 1&2

The grade 1&2's have been learning about our country, Australia, and the states/territories and capital cities. They have recently made their own maps out of salt dough.



### 1&2 Medal Winners

**Chloe, Becky, Koby, Dalton & Jesse** – for doing a fantastic job on a tough Math PACE

**Shae** – for some great letter writing

## GRADE 3-6

### Student of the Week

**Ashley** – for excellent attitude and for applying herself well to her PACE work

## GRADE 7-10

### Student of the Week

**David** – for working extremely well this week

**Daniel** – for hard work and good behaviour

## CASUAL CLOTHES DATES

Week 6 - Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> June

Week 9 - Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> June



**What for:** Devonport Rugby Club  
**When:** Saturday, May 23 starting at 7:30 pm  
**Where:** Don Recreation Ground  
**Cost:** Gold coin donation

## PERSON PROFILE



Laura Rogers – Tiger tamer and artist in her spare time!

What is your favourite subject?

*art, because it is creative, I like creative stuff*

What is your favourite food?

*strawberry ice-cream*

If you could be a character out of any movie/book who would it be?

*Black Beauty*

What is your favourite colour?

*purple*

What do you like to do when you get home from school?

*at the moment I am cutting out horse pictures to make a book*

Where would you like to travel to?

*Africa, to learn a bit more how the people live over there and N.S.W., to see my friends again*

What do you want to be when you grow up?

*a horse rider or a person who works with tigers at the zoo!*

### Easypeezy

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### WEEK 2 - Deck Progress



You will now notice a few extra bits on the "Topdeck" in the Lower Primary playground. The deck is coming together and over the next few weeks we will show photos and keep you updated with the progress.