Dear families,

I am glad to be back at school this week. I have been away from the school attending professional learning and then was sick for a few days.

It is that time of year when all of us are a little more susceptible to illness. Please check what your child is wearing before they come to school. The temperature was quite low this morning but we had a number of children in short sleeved shirts and shorts.

Currently teachers are busy writing Semester One reports. These will be sent home with your child on Thursday 25 June. This is also the day of our annual ‘So You Think You Can Dance’ event.

Keep a good week & as always please contact either the school staff or myself if you have any concerns.

Kind regards,
Jenny Rozynski
Principal

PBL Corner – Week 7

This week in PBL lessons, students continued their focus on learning calming techniques by participating in a Rock and Water activity called “There’s a Fly on Your Nose“, which teaches the ability to ignore distractions and remain focused on the job at hand. Congratulations to all students who received PRINCIPALS AWARDS at the special assemblies last week. A reminder to those students that have received 3 Principals Awards this semester that they only need one more to be invited to SCHOOL REWARD DAY – which is less than 4 weeks away! Keep Going For Gold!

Aim High University
Science Lessons for Year 4 - Student Recounts

The Science program was so much fun! Some people from the University came and did some experiments with Year 4 students. Week 1 we made slime. We added water, glue and borax together. Week 3 we did a Skittle experiment – so we put Skittles in water and waited for something to happen……then all the colour in the skittles came off and went into the water and formed patterns. They were really pretty. Week 4 I was so sad that this was our last week, but it was really fun. We did our own experiment. We had a seed and put it on cotton wool and either fresh or salty water was added to see which one grew better. We also got to name the experiment and I named mine THE SEED GAME. It was fun for everyone I hope. Thanks a lot Aim High people.

By Kayla Johnson

Week 3 we did an experiment on Skittles. They were delicious but unfortunately we didn’t get to eat all of them. Instead we put them in water and let them sit and all the colour from the Skittles came out and the water mixed together.

By Brodie Parsons

The University of Newcastle has come to our school to help the Year 4s learn about science for four weeks. Week 1 we made slime and learned how to measure things properly. In the second week we made lava lamps. In the third week we put Skittles into water and it takes all the colouring out and makes patterns in the water. If you put them in milk it does nothing. Week four we planted radish seeds in cotton balls and water. Some had fresh water and some had salt water. We all enjoyed our time with the university students. Thank you.

By Hollie O’Neill

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who brought in unwanted household items for K-2 maths activities. They are greatly appreciated and will be well utilized.

Sally Eagleton.

Lost Property

The lost property tub is over flowing in the infants building. Please come and look through if you are missing items. Most do not have names and will be put in our school uniform pool or donated to charity at the end of the term if not claimed.

Also, parents please check your child has brought home the right jumper or hat as often this is how items are misplaced.
Breakfast Club.

From 8.15 am to 9.15 am located in the building opposite Cooinda, students can have a healthy breakfast for a coin donation. Cereals, scrambled eggs, yoghurt and toast are served by volunteers each weekday. Students also experience social interaction with their peers, use of table manners and develop domestic independence.

If you are interested in volunteering in Breakfast club please see the front desk for more information.

School Contributions

Our school keeps this cost as low as possible and so this year they are set at $40.00 for all students. This amount covers school resources to continue valuable programs and innovations, especially around technology. Please pay at the office as soon as possible, by cash or cheque.

Term Reminders – Term 2

Week 7
Wednesday 3rd June – ICAS Science

Week 9
Monday 15th June – Times Tables Competition
Monday 15th June – ICAS Writing
Tuesday 16th June – ICAS Spelling
Tuesday 16th June – Hunter Life Education

Week 10
Monday 22nd June – Principal Award

Assemblies
Thursday 25th June – So You Think You Can Dance

Community News Flyers are available for viewing on the school website.

Thought for the week: Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes of your goal.
   Henry Ford