

# N/C Chronicle

## COMING EVENTS

Friday March 26th—Sandbar Picnic day, last day of term 1.

Monday April 12th—First day of term 2.

## NEW PREP—2 ROOM

Well what a week of activities, hug crane, 6 semi trailers and a swarm of labourers descended into our school grounds and in the blink of an eye, removed our old mod 5 and replaced it with a brand new one. The Paint was still drying on the new building that's how "fresh" it is. It looks fantastic. It is 1m wider, fully air conditioned, has electronic sensors that turn the lights and air conditioning on and off, it even has a meter to indicate how many green house gases we are emitting. Hopefully we can move in on Thursday March 11th.

## PRESENTATION DAY—SCHOOL ASSEMBLY 9AM

All our Captains (School & House) will receive their badges next Tuesday. Grade 6 pupils will also be presented with their T-shirts. Mums, dads and friends all welcome.

Melissa Clarke, Tayla Cordier and Cohen Andrew will represent our school at the Healthy Eating workshops being conducted by Home Economics Victoria. The Children will travel into Mildura on Tuesday March 9th at 4.30pm for a 5.30pm start at the Mildura Central School (Senior campus). The children will attempt to persuade local schools to conduct an orange drive, "The Healthy Alternative." All Fundzinc groups prepared a presentation and they were all fantastic. We have used bits from them all to create a super version. This again is another, genuine real life experience that helps develop our students personal skills.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Nominations close on Friday March 12th. Forms and assistance can be collected from the office. We still require 2 parents to fill vacancies.

## NIT POLICY

Just a reminder to all our parents to please get a clearance note and inform the school when you have detected a problem as we need to be aware that they are still around and may need to carry out another whole school check. This way you can feel assured that you have addressed the problem and your child is clear to return to school. Our policy must be working as head lice are a big issue in Mildura, and we only had a few detections at our last check. Keep up the good work. If we all work together we are all helping each other.

## SANDBAR DAY

Friday March 26th—last day of term 1.

Our traditional environmental day at a local sandbar will continue in 2010. It is a fantastic day and we strongly encourage parents and friends to join us.

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

As part of our emergency management plan we are installing a program called ZapitSMS. The program will allow us to send an SMS message to all mobile phones operated by our parents and emergency contacts. A push of one button we can send a message to as many phones as we have listed. eg. if the bus breaks down, or is late etc we can notify all families. Emergency evacuations etc. Can all families please complete the attached reply slip with mobile contacts for the family and your emergency contacts. This is an extremely important request, it's your child's safety. There are still many families who have not yet returned their form with their mobile contacts on it. Please do so immediately.

## What's Happening Next Week:

**Sunday Mar 7th**—Pistachio Picnic—Red Cliffs

**Monday Mar 8th**—Public Holiday

Tuesday Mar 9th—Fundzinc

Presentation,

School Capt,

House Capt,

Grade 6 t-shirts

presentation.

**Wednesday Mar 10th**—Active After School Lawn Bowls.

**Thursday Mar 11th**—Move in to new room.

**Friday Mar 12th**—Close of School Council nominations.

EMA claims for the 1st installment have now closed. Next installment will open in August.

**GRADE 5 & 6 RAV VISIT**

Tuesday 16th March 9am-11am. All pupils in grades 5 & 6 need to bring a pillow along with them on this day.

**SCHOOL FEES**

\$100 per child, \$180 for 2 children and \$260 for 3 or more children. These fees cover all excursion expenses throughout the year. They can be paid in term instalments. Please make every effort to have these fees paid within the next few weeks.

**PERSONAL BOOK BOXES**

All children in the school will be given their own personal 'book box'. They will store their 'familiar' books in these boxes to access during 'DEAR' time (Drop Everything And Read). We are encouraging children to bring familiar texts from home. This involves books, magazines, comics etc. Please check what they are bringing so that we know the texts are appropriate for them.

**STUDENT BANKING**

Dollarmite tokens—How it works!!! Every time your child makes a deposit through the School Banking program, whether it's \$2 or \$10 they receive a token. When they collect at least 4 tokens they can then redeem them for a gift (bookmark-4 tokens, eraser-6 tokens, pencils-10 tokens).

**EMERGENCY CONTACT UPDATED MOBILE PHONE NUMBERS**

Family Name: .....

Parent No. 1 Name ..... Mobile No. ....

Parent No. 2 Name ..... Mobile No. ....

**Emergency Contacts**

Name ..... Mobile No. ....

Name ..... Mobile No. ....

Name ..... Mobile No. ....