Students of the Week

P/1 Connor Gibney-Schelfhout for a stupendous Passion Project.

1/2F Ashlyn Curry for working well to make new friends and fit into our classroom routine.

2/3/4G Kayne Curry for making a great start to his new school.

4/5/6M Bianca Longstaff for overcoming nerves and presenting a great passion project.

5/6U Becky Hall for using great thinking skills during Numeracy and consistently giving tests her “best go”.

Dates to Remember

16th Active After School
   Prep Information Night
   5:30pm-6:30pm

21st Active After School

22nd Footsteps Dancing

23rd Active After School
   Developmental Curriculum for kinder children 2:15-3:15pm

28th Literacy/Numeracy Open Morning
   9:30am—1:30pm
   Active After School

Sports Award
Declan Fulford

For encouraging teammates during sports activities

Values Award
Declan Fulford

For being inclusive and including others
Our School Values
Respect, Empathy, Collaboration, Creativity, Integrity, Persistence

A word from Debbie
Welcome to Caitlyn O'Meara who will be working in the office from 8.45 to 10.45 each day except Friday. It is lovely to have an ex student joining our team who is so efficient and enthusiastic. Caitlyn will be involved in many areas to support staff, students and their families. An important role for her will be to chase up unexplained absences from school as the DEECD requires us to document why students are absent from school. Many parents ring the school when their child is away which is fantastic, alternatively fill in the yellow form and send this with your child when they return to school. Caitlyn will only contact families if you have not made contact with the school. Please collect a pad of yellow forms from the office if you have run out!
Miss Fillmore will be absent from Monday 20th August until next term. Her grade will be taken by Lou Reed who has trained with teachers in Developmental Curriculum and has spent many days working in the junior grades. We are very fortunate that Lou is able to take the grade and look forward to her being at our school for five weeks.

Wild Action Zoo
Every student in the school enjoyed learning about Australian animals and fauna on Tuesday. Chris shared his extensive knowledge about all the different species he brought to our school. It was lovely to observe the students so engaged and able to share their knowledge and understandings of each species’ habitat and characteristics. Amanda Jolly organised hot dogs for all the students and with the help of Jane Marks and Katherine Johnson all students were served quickly. This was a great day.

CPR training
All staff were invited to attend a training session on Tuesday to update our CPR certificates. Every second year all teachers and other staff who are interested complete their First Aid Level 2 training. It is important that we keep up to date with knowledge that may be required to support our students.

Boite
The performance on Wednesday at Federation Square in Melbourne was the culmination of many hours of training and planning. Our students caught the train to Melbourne which is a wonderful experience in itself. Miss Fillmore and Mrs U travelled with the students and were very proud of their performance at Boite. Many parents attended the final performance and should be very proud of their children. These extra curricula experiences help our students grow in confidence.

Prep 2013 Information Session
On Thursday the 16th August all potential 2013 Prep (Foundation) students are invited to attend our Information Session at 5.30pm. There will be childcare available for siblings and potential students. The information shared at this session is very valuable to parents and we also believe that visiting the school during school hours and observing our students at work and play is also valuable. Please make a time with me for a tour.

AusVELS
The Australian Curriculum will begin incorporating into our current curriculum in 2013 in the areas of literacy, numeracy, science and history. The first year of school in Australia will be called Foundation so we will begin 2013 with this terminology. VELS is the current curriculum document that teachers use and AusVELS is a mixture of both curriculums. Over the next few years all subject areas in the Australian Curriculum will be introduced.

With thanks
Debbie George

School Uniform Shop
Open every Thursday

TIMES
8:50am—9:10am
3:10pm—3:30pm