Principal’s report

This is Be a Learner Week. Yesterday was ‘Closing The Gap’ Day. This is about closing the gap between Indigenous students and non-Indigenous students’ achievement and life outcomes. From July 2014 to December 2016, our dedicated teachers and teacher aides have transformed the academic achievement of our students.

Our biggest improvements have been in YuMi Deadly Maths and English results. We have also improved the number of students achieving As and Bs. Although the number achieving Cs is about the same, the students who were failing are now getting Cs instead of Ds.

This is how we did it:
1. Learning and attendance goals for all students
2. All students can answer the Five Questions for Students
3. All teachers can answer the Five Questions for Teachers
4. Small group instruction (English and Maths)
5. Explicit teaching of literacy, two hours a day
6. Learning walls – making learning visible
7. Daily assemblies to reinforce the High Five
8. Reinforcing a culture of Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL), all day every day
9. Levelled reading groups, four times a week
10. YuMi Deadly Maths taught in every class
11. Teachers meet with the principal twice a term to demonstrate their planning and discuss their students’ progress
12. A pedagogical framework (an agreed way to teach at Vincent State School)
13. Frequent and targeted training for all teachers
14. High expectations for staff, students and parents
15. Using data to inform teaching and learning
16. Building community and connections

Friday afternoon Rotations: painting with Mrs Guy

Harmony Day: 21 March

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP
KIT Day: Auslan day Wednesday 29 March
Coming soon: Term 1 Attendance Rewards Party
End of Term 1: Friday 31 March
Start of Term 2: Tuesday 18 April
Term 2: J Block Sea Mural Project
Term 2: NAIDOC (June)
ATTENDANCE

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Key:
- 90% +
- 85% - 89%
- Below 85%

WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE COMP
Polly the Attendance trophy was won again by Miss Nesor’s class CCC again! Amazing effort!

Deadly Dukes James Cook University Trip

Art Club: Tranquil Turtles

Students of the week

FREE BIRTH CERTIFICATES PROGRAM
See Mrs M-P for all the details. She will help to fill in the forms and the school sends them off.

KEEP IN TOUCH for KIDS and PARENTS
Vincent SS and CCF are hosting a regional fun day for students who access AUSLAN and their parents.
Parents are invited to attend the welcoming parade, watch the activities and meet other parents at a morning tea from 10.30 – 11.30 am at Vincent State School Hall. Please RSVP to Geraldine on 0419780906 by Fri 24th March.
WHEN: Wednesday 29th March 2017, 10:30 am
WHERE: Vincent State School, school hall.

ECDP had a lovely celebration of diversity. Parents helped to share where their families came from by placing a flag on a large map of the world. There were drums from Zimbabwe, dance from India, the Balkans and Syria and songs from New Zealand. Families brought food from around the world. The children also enjoyed art activities, showing pride and confidence in themselves, their family and culture.

Vincent Voucher winners: Gotcha being good!

Harmony Day in ECDP