Hello Vincent Community!

Principal’s report

Hello everyone!

This week is Be a learner week. What does ‘Be a learner’ look like? We use the ‘5 Questions for Students’ to help students achieve their learning goals:

1. What are you learning?
2. How are you doing?
3. How do you know?
4. How can you improve?
5. Where do you go to for help when you have a question?

Parent teacher conversations: These are next Wednesday afternoon from 3:00 – 4:00pm in the students’ classrooms. There are no time bookings. Turn up when you like.

Your child will escort you around the room, show you their Learning Walls for English, Maths and Science and talk to you about their learning goals.

Their Student Profile folders will be available or you to look at with the teacher and talk about their progress.

We usually struggle to get any parents to show up. Please make an effort. We are very friendly people and can't wait to talk about your child’s progress with you!

This is on at the same time as Homework Club, so you could also take your child out of Homework Club for their classroom visit and then take them back to Homework Club.

Cyberowls: Every state school in Queensland received funding this year to employ experts to speak to students about cyber-safety. We employed Cyberowls who presented to all classes. Cyberowls employs former police officers who have experience in these issues. Our students enjoyed the sessions which were held in the library.

Transition to Prep: Our sessions will commence in September this year. These require parents to attend with their children. We are not holding all-morning sessions like we have in previous years. Each session will have its own focus. One of the first sessions will be on Talk Like A Pirate Day after our pirate ship playground is completed. Stay tuned for more information in the middle of the year.

Volunteers: Once again, I would like to call for some parent volunteers. It is normal for schools to have plenty of parent volunteers. We have less than three! We have none on our Parents & Community (P&C)

Committee - only staff. Without the staff, there would be no P&C! This would be extraordinary. We have volunteers only from the families of staff here. Many hands make light work!

Attendance: Congratulations CCF! The only class who has achieved our weekly attendance goal of 90% attendance.

Damien Tillack
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuckshop orders: new menu, now open every day
Townsville Cross Country: Tue 1 May (selected students)
Uniform repairs day: Wed 2 May
Parent/Teacher conversations afternoon: Wed 2 May 3:00 – 4:00pm
School photos: Fri 4 May from 9:00am
May Day public holiday: Mon 7 May
NAPLAN: 14 – 16 May
Under 8s Week: 19-26 May ‘Children exploring language and culture’
May P&C Meeting: Tues 15 May 3:15pm
Obe Geia Carnival: Fri 8 June (Maggie Island)
Athletics Carnival: Wed 20 June (Week 10)
Fun Run: Thurs 28 Jun (Week 11)
Last day of Term 2: Fri 29 July
Tuckshop open for uniform sales: 8:30-9:00am daily
Polo shirt $25 Hat $10
50th Anniversary 1968-2018: Friday night food festival, 17 August, school hall; open day Saturday morning, 18 August. School magazine for sale in August.

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Attendance Goal: 90%
90% Attendance = ½ day off in one week
Uniform repairs by Chappy Kate

Bring in your uniforms that need mending and Chappy Kate will fix them for free!

Wednesday 2nd May

Chappy Kate has kindly offered to repair tears and undone-hems in school uniforms – and just in time for school photos! Thanks Chappy Kate!

Students of the week

Cyber safety:

‘Restorative Practice’, ‘Restorative Justice’ and the restorative conversation

Part 2

Restorative Practice is a process that may be used after an incident that may have been serious. It is only used when the person who has caused harm admits to the harm that has been done. Its three key parts are ‘reflect’, ‘repair’ and ‘reconnect’.

It involves a conversation with the person (or people) who has caused the harm and the person (or people) who has been harmed, and this can include parents of the children involved.

Anger is an emotion that children feel. They often have trouble using the language of emotion. This poster may help you talk to your child if you notice your child is acting angry a lot.

For more information:
Please feel free to speak to Mr Tillack, Mrs Espig, Mrs Nicolosi or Mrs Gilbert. You can also look online and search ‘restorative justice’ or visit www.thorsborne.com.au

ANZAC Day Assembly

Thank you CCF and Mrs Morrison for preparing and leading our ANZAC Day Assembly this morning!