WEEKLY NEWS FEED

Term 4 – Week 2

Wyndham City is once again proud to present the Children’s Week Picnic at Werribee Park on Sunday 25 October.

An annual major event for Wyndham and part of the State Government’s Children’s Week, the Children’s Week Picnic will be held for the 15th year in 2015.

A fun, family friendly day the event is filled with FREE educational, fun and interactive activities for children of all ages.

Please see attached poster and flyer for distribution at your school. More information on the activities at this year’s event can be found on the website: http://www.experiencewyndham.com.au/events/childrensweekpicnic/faqs

Prep/One (Hamilton, Wilson & Poppy) Inquiry - Minibeasts

This term as part of our new Inquiry topic “Minibeasts” students will take part in a Minibeast Wildlife incursion. We will have a minibeast expert come to our school on Wednesday the 28th of October at 9:00am to talk to the children about the structure, function, habitats and life cycles of minibeasts.

The session is hands on and the students will be able to get up close and personal with all the insects as well as touch many of them.

In addition to our incursion we have organised to have our own Learning Community Minibeast which the children will be responsible for. We look forward to a fun and hands on inquiry topic, providing the children with an enriched experience.

This week in Inquiry, students have been learning about snails and ladybugs. Students have been learning about their features, habitats and fascinating facts. Here is what some of the students have learnt;

“Ladybugs lay heaps of eggs. They have 2 antennae. Ladybirds can be boys and girls.”

Jordan Cassar (Poppy)

“Snails leave slime when they move. They live in the garden.”

Aadi Kaku (Wilson)

“Ladybugs can eat insects. Some snails can live underwater.”

Negung Perme (Hamilton)

Lucy Debono, Kristin Amore & Nicole Barber
2/3 Incursion STAR LAB

Gallipoli’s report: Planetarium Dome

It looked like a tent but it was actually a big blown up dome, squeezing through to the inside, lying down on the floor looking up at the night sky we watched a movie called ‘Secret of the cardboard rocket’. Watching the movie felt like we were travelling through space and we all got to visit the planets in our galaxy called the Milky Way'.

The first planet that we learnt about was Mercury and the kids in the movie said it looked like our moon but Mercury is a bit bigger, very hot in the day and freezing at night.

Christmas Market
Friday 4th December
This term the Grant learning community are studying economics. As part of their learning, the students will be conducting surveys, creating budgets and holding a Christmas market.

If you would like to assist in creating Christmas craft items, bake Christmas cookies/ slices, create wooden toys with the students and or hold a stall of your own please come and see Pauline.

All money raised will be donated to a cause of the learning community’s choice (yet to be decided).

This is a link to our parent survey on Google form that we would like all families to complete https://goo.gl/uONSml

Thanks
Mia, Hermella and Amy

Passion Investigations
Once again the Grant learning community will be conducting their passion investigations. We are seeking experts who can volunteer 1-2 hours on a Friday, to assist students to value add to their knowledge of their passion.

*We are happy for you to volunteer for a once off session or as many as you can manage.* The areas of expertise we seek include: singing, drawing, soccer, vaccinations, picture/comic book creation, dub step, music, party planning, cultural fashions, living vegan.

This time can be either face to face, via email, telephone and or Skype. If you are interested in helping our students explore their passion please contact me at pknowles@smocptcook.catholic.edu.au
No Hat No Play - Sun smart Policy
Term 4 is No Hat! No Play! No Fun for you today! Please ensure your child has their hat at school every day this term. We are currently investigating having a supply of hats to sell from the office to make purchasing a hat easier. PLEASE CLEARLY LABEL YOUR CHILD’S HAT.

School Fee Payment
Please note that there are still a large number of School Fees payments that are yet to be made. If you are having financial difficulty in paying your fees then please contact the office immediately on 8376 5400.

If you already have a payment arrangement in place, please continue with this.

Coming Up This Week – 12th - 17th October, 2015
Saturday 17th Parents and Friends Trivia Night

Coming Up This Week – 19th - 25th October, 2015
Wednesday, 21st October Board of Management meeting (6.30pm)
Thursday, 22nd October Active Travel Committee (5.00pm)
Sunday, 25th October First Eucharist mass – RAAF Base Point Cook (9.00am)

And the week after…….
Monday, 2nd November School Closure Day
Tuesday, 3rd November Melbourne Cup – Public Holiday
Wednesday, 4th November Parents & Friends Meeting (7.30pm)
Wed 4th to Fri 6th November 2016 Prep Briggance Testing