

# **Courtenay News**

Issue 2 2017

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **FEBRUARY**

23 School Photos

27 Bike Education Grade 4

#### **MARCH**

10 Grandparents Day

13 NO SCHOOL Labour Day

14 Preps start full time

31 Easter Bonnet Parade

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

2.30PM DISMISSAL

### **APRIL**

18 First Day of Term 2

### **SCHOOL PURPOSE**

For all to strive to achieve the

best outcomes for all

our students.

### From the Principal's Desk....

Only our second newsletter for the year and already we have had many events taking place around the school.

### **Junior Athletics Day**

The weather was kind to the Grade 1 and 2 students when they had their athletics day on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Students competed in a variety of events from sack races to hurdles. It was pleasing to see a large turnout of mums, dads and friends who came along to offer support. We must also thank our grade 6 leaders who helped run the events on the day.

#### **MAD Day**

This is the parade I enjoy the most throughout the year. Not only are the students supporting a worthwhile cause but it also gives them and the teachers a chance to let down their hair and have some fun. It was also the first whole school event for our Preps. Gauging by the looks on their faces they really enjoyed the event.

#### **Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Thank you to all the parents who attended interviews on Tuesday and Wednesday. These early interviews are nice for both you and the teacher to be able to put a face to a name. They are also the chance for you to share some valuable information with the teacher

regarding your child.

#### School Photos

Grade, individual and family photos took place today. With our large numbers the photographers were certainly kept busy. Tomorrow our photographers return to catch up on any students who were away. They will do individual and family photos only. Grade photos will not be retaken.

## Student Accident Insurance & Ambulance Cover (a reminder from DET)

A reminder to parents and guardians that DET does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport as well as any other transport costs. Parents or guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers. DET also does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

Marg Sheppard Acting Principal

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### Grade 4 news!

WOW! What a great beginning our Grade 4 students have had to the year. At our first year level assembly the students were lucky enough to be introduced to their new classroom mascots. These mascots have come from around the world and had great stories to share with our students.



Each week a student from each grade 4 class is selected as 'The Student of the Week.' This student has the honor of taking home the class mascot and recording their weekend experiences. This opportunity creates a wonderful learning experience for the student and mascot to record their adventures and time together.



I wonder who will be the next student of the week...

### **Lyndhurst Secondary**

Dear Families, at Lyndhurst Secondary College, we understand that transition starts long before enrolment in a secondary school. For all students approaching this stage in life, apprehension and worry often exists side by side with the excitement of launching into a new stage of life at secondary school. We have developed a close connection with local primary schools and together we deliver a comprehensive preparation for secondary schooling to students in Grade 5 and 6. We then further build upon this when students begin in year 7.

Representatives from Lyndhurst Secondary College will be on Courtenay Gardens Primary School grounds, in the vicinity of the car park and at the front of the school between 3pm and 4pm on Tuesday 28th February to meet families, ask questions, hand out flyers and invite you along to our Open Night at 7pm on Wednesday 15th March 2017.

Our aim is to make ourselves visible and really find out what is important to you when thinking about your child's future schooling and what influences your decisions. We know meeting people face to face is a positive start to any relationship and we hope to build on this in a non-intrusive, relaxed and friendly way. We also know that it may not be convenient for you to stop and chat for long so we'll be more than happy to contact you at a later date to answer any questions.

Once again we encourage you to come along to our Open Night on Wednesday 15th March. See for yourself why Lyndhurst Secondary College is the school of choice for 2018 and beyond.

Konnie Prades

Principal

Lyndhurst Secondary College



### **SCHOOL LEADERS 2017**

Firstly, a huge well done to everyone who participated in speeches as part of the process of identifying our new School Leaders for 2017. It is a huge effort to prepare and deliver a speech to your peers and each of these students has done themselves proud with their endeavours.

Secondly, congratulations to all our successful candidates for 2017. May your leadership path allow you the opportunities to continue to grow in confidence and capacity.

#### **School Captains:**

Vinith Imayavasan 6H Latesha Franks 6D

#### **Vice Captains:**

Vidun Matarage Don 6E Indigo Van Heel 6E

#### **JSC Representatives**

5B	Keely Freestone	Arien Pateras
5D	Vinamraa Naidu	Dylan Ranaweera
5R	Tayah Grech	Jaydyn Anderson
5S	Avalisa Saga Fia	Cooper Williams
5T	Madina Sidiqi	Vyomesh Chinnappa Raja
6D	Matthew Bourekas	Jennifer Sa
6E	Gemma Inns	Ukail Buksh
6H	Ryan Zealley	Sarah Noble
6L	Amy Verginadis	Abhay Sanil Lohith
6M	Prabhnoor Karir	Bailey Paton

#### **BRADMAN CHISHOLM FLYNN MELBA Captains:** Captains: **Captains: Captains:** Leana Cristobal 6E Madison Franssen 6D Casper Trayessa 6E Mary Howe 6L **Vice Captains: Vice Captains: Vice Captains: Vice Captains:** Bianca Buckley 6D Isabella Baynham 6L Johnah Tsouglis 6H Awal Chand 6H Nirushika Botheju 6L

### **MAD Day**

Wow! What a fantastic day! The school was awash with colour and crazy outfits to celebrate MAD Day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February. The whole school assembled around the basketball courts to watch a wonderful parade. All the children had huge smiles as they walked around giving high 5's to the welcoming crowd. The teachers also got into the spirit of the day and it was quite difficult to recognise who some of the teachers actually were!

MAD Day is an acronym for Make A Difference Day and we encourage all our students to stand up for what they believe in and show our CGPS values of Respect,

Responsibility, Honesty and Resilience.

Thanks everyone for making it such a brilliant day!

The Education Committee





### **Junior Sports Day**

Last Wednesday Grades 1 and 2 students participated in a Junior Sports Day held at school on the oval. Students competed in several running, throwing, kicking and jumping activities. In some events ribbons were awarded to the top four competitors. The Junior Sports Day is an opportunity for students to have fun, while participating in several events against their peers, using their



fundamental motor skills as well as developing resilience in regards to dealing with a competitive sporting environment and in preparation for senior sporting events. It was a great day, with all students having fun and trying their best.

Thank you to parents that came to support their child, adding

to a great atmosphere, and a special thank you to the grade 6 leaders who did a fantastic job in helping to organise and

run events.

Mr T Physical Education Teacher



### **Music Term 1**

Students have approached this term in Music with enthusiasm and grades 1-6 are rehearsing items for their end of Term Music Showcase. Invitations will be sent home to families of students to attend their Music Showcase.

During this Term Preps will experience a variety of singing, dancing and exploring percussion instruments to establish keeping a steady beat. Grades 1 & 2 will be exploring rhythm patterns using a variety of music notes and rhythm composition.

Grade 3 will be working with music which counts in 3s and 4s with various music styles. Grade 4 will be exploring Funk music style with a syncopated feel and working with ukuleles and guitars. Grade 5 will be exploring Reggae music style and working with ukuleles and guitars. Grade 6 will be learning a Hip Hop dance and working with ukuleles and guitars.

Mrs Bell

Music Teacher

### **Absent Note**

### **Advertisements**

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