From the Principal...

Stage 3 Camp - Last week I had the great pleasure of going with Years 5 and 6 on their 3 day camp to Canberra. We had a very busy few days away where the students had the opportunity to view parliament in action, visit the electoral commission, enjoy the dinosaur museum as well as spend a day at the snow and a visit to Questacon and The War Memorial. I was extremely impressed with the outstanding level of behaviour, and the way all of our students conducted themselves whilst at each venue. At all times our students demonstrated that they were safe, respectful learners. There were many comments made to school staff about how wonderful, polite and courteous our senior children were. Congratulations to all students who attended camp. It was one of the best camps I have attended throughout my career. A huge thank you must go to Mr Hamilton for his outstanding organisation. Everything ran smoothly without any issues arising. Also, thank you to the dedicated Stage 3 team, who gave up time, away from their families, to provide this great opportunity for the children at Governor.

SASS Staff Recognition Week - Last week we celebrated the hardworking and dedicated School Administrative and Support Staff across our school. SASS Staff include our ladies who work in the administration area as well as our teachers' aides and of course our General assistant Mr Gee. National Recognition Week runs from Monday 1 September until Friday 5 September. SASS Staff are a dedicated group of professional workers who are often overlooked in the school setting. Recognition Week gives the whole school the opportunity to demonstrate to SASS Staff that they are valued members of our school community. SASS Staff here at Governor Philip King play a vital role in students' learning and the effective running and maintenance of our school. National Recognition Week is a great time to thank all our SASS Staff for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.

Consultation Survey - Along with the newsletter today you will be receiving a consultation survey. Commencing in 2015, the Department has changed the way that schools will be developing School Management Plans. We are seeking your input to assist us in the development of the plan that will guide our school for the next three years. We are asking all of our parents to complete the survey and return them to school by Friday 19 September.

NAPLAN Results - Yesterday parents of Year 3 and year 5 students received their child's NAPLAN results. We are very pleased with the results the students have achieved. It was extremely pleasing to note that there were a number of areas where our students achieved and exceeded the national minimum standards. Any parents who have questions or concerns regarding their child's NAPLAN results should make a time to discuss any issues with classroom teachers.

K-2 Athletics Carnival and Sausage Sizzle - New Date - This Carnival and the Sausage Sizzle will now be held on Wednesday 15 October 2014 (Term 4, Week 2). A reminder note will be sent home closer to carnival day. Miss Vella.

2015 Enrolments - We have started looking at structures and staffing for the 2015 school year. We are requesting any families with students who will start Kindergarten next year to collect an enrolment form from the front office. This ensures students are included in the kindergarten orientation process and allows our school to be staffed based on accurate numbers.

Active Challenge - Active Challenge has finished for Term 3. There will be no bike session this Thursday. Due to unforeseen circumstances there will be no catch-up session for Karate today.
Values Education – The value for Weeks 9 and 10 is Citizenship/Democracy. When we are citizens of a country or members of a community we follow certain moral, legal and social ethics. Citizenship is the knowledge and skills of this role. A good citizen:

1. Understands and follows rules in the family, school and community
2. Treats others and the environment with respect and dignity
3. Is responsible, fair and courageous
4. Being patriotic, having civic pride.

Mrs S. Kumar, Student Engagement.

Safe, Respectful Learner Program – The focus rule for Weeks Nine and Ten is 'Be Respectful, Cooperate – be a team player'.

We can achieve more by working together with others. You can be part of a team for sport, work, school, community groups and so on. On your own, you can achieve a little but by cooperating with others you can achieve so much more. Discuss the importance of cooperation with your children. Ms Dolz. Student Engagement Team.

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion - Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the National Capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the National Capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

School Website Class of the Week - Visit our school website to see if your class is the class of the week!

Instructions:
Click on ‘School Years’ tab
Click on side tab ‘What’s Happening in …’
Click on your grade under ‘School Years’ tab if you missed seeing your class!

Have a great week!
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