From the Principal...

Education Week – We had a very busy week at Governor last week celebrating Education Week across the school. It was great to see so many parents come along to the variety of events we held, including open classrooms, Book Fair and the Education Week assemblies. We value the opportunities to have parents involved in what we do every day at Governor Philip King, and Education Week provides the perfect opportunity to ‘show off’ our great students, staff and school initiatives. Thank you to all community members who came in to visit last week.

Multicultural Day – This again exemplified how wonderful our school is! Multicultural Day provides an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful mix of cultures we have here at Governor Philip King. It was fantastic to see so many students dressed in their national costume and sharing their cultural background. Multicultural Day provided opportunities for our students to perform amazing dances, visit classrooms to view displays and take part in activities related to various countries across the globe. Of course one of the amazing things about Multicultural Day is the lunch. The variety and amount of food that was delivered from our community was great. Thank you to all of the community and family members who cooked the food. Of course these events do not happen without a lot of hard work, planning and organisation. I would like to thank the Multicultural Team for all of their preparation to ensure that the day was a success! Also a huge thank you to Ms Tran (and her helpers) for the amazing work she did with all of the dance groups. The students’ performances were brilliant!

Mini Fete - WEDNESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER - Shortly students will be bringing home books of raffle tickets to sell for mini fete. This year the prizes are bigger and better than ever! Not only will there be a chance to win some fabulous prize baskets but there are also a number of other great prizes. This year the major prizes are:

1st prize – A 39”LED Television
2nd Prize – A Diamondback BMX bike
3rd Prize – A 6 volt motorised car

Other prizes include coffee machines, soda streams, milkshake makers and lots of other great prizes. Please support our fund raising efforts!!

The infants and primary class that sells the most raffle tickets will win a class pizza party!!

Library News – Book Fair News - Book Fair is now over for this year.

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the Book Fair. Nina Kevarkis from 4KT was the lucky raffle winner. An update on how much profit was made for the school will be in next week’s Newsletter once reconciliation has been completed.

Please be aware that we are still waiting for book orders. These will be sent to classrooms once they arrive at the school. Thank you for your support. Ms. Halabe.

Book Character Picnic - As part of the Book Week celebrations this year, once again, we will be having a Book Character Picnic. This will be held on Thursday 27 August 2015.

Students will need to come to school dressed as a book character, with the book/copy of the book they feature in. Students from K-6 will need to be able to discuss their character with peers, as well as with their buddy classes.

So start THINKING, READING, and PREPARING for the Book Character Picnic.
Values Education - The value for Week 4 is Perseverance/Determination. Perseverance is the ability to persist at what we have chosen to do even in the face of difficulties. We work steadily one step at a time until we have accomplished our task. Determination is having the will power and strength of mind to resolve to be set on a task until it is completed. What does Perseverance/Determination look like?

- Trying and working hard
- Being patient and strong
- Showing endurance and strength
- Not giving up, trying again and again
- Overcoming difficulties and obstacles to achieve a goal

Children are always learning in a variety of situations such as in the classroom, on the sports field, at home, in the kitchen or playing, at friends’ houses, at cousins’ houses, in the shopping centre and so on. Many children give up easily when there are minor problems and don’t try hard and long enough. By learning about perseverance and determination they can understand why they should not give up easily. Please have discussions with your children about these values and the importance of not giving up easily. Mrs S Kumar, Student Engagement.

Safe, Respectful Learner Program - The focus rule for Week four is ‘Be Respectful, Speak politely to others’.

We are able to achieve more in life if we use a polite, respectful attitude and tone when we speak to others. Think about how you would like to be spoken to and always treat others in the same way.

Please discuss this with your children. Ms Dolz, Student Engagement Team.

Have a great week!

Jason Corcoran
Principal

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This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards).

Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn