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Dates to Remember

| Friday 17 August | Assembly, Run by K/P/1, Item by Yr 2/3 |
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| Friday 24 August | Winter Carnival in Pemberton Yr 3-6 |
| Friday 21 Sent | Last day of term 3 |

School Survey

Every two years schools are required to survey their community. The information is reflected on by the staff and Board and the results are forwarded to Central Office.

Please take just a few minutes to complete this survey. A link was emailed to you last week or you can use the link below. Paper copies have been sent to families without the internet. If you wish to have a paper copy, please ask at the office.

Thanks to the families who have already finished the survey. If you wish to discuss any of the questions further, please contact the principal or teacher. Surveys should be completed by Friday August 17.

 $\underline{https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/j7R8LWMQ}$

School Uniforms

The School Board met last week to discuss school uniforms. General feedback suggests that the current uniform is well-liked but the white gets dirty and the polyester can be uncomfortable. We have ordered a few shirts on appro and are still looking at possible options to overcome these issues and choosing a more environmentally friendly option while maintaining a great-looking uniform.

Bushfire Safety

Almost the entire town of Walpole is within a Bushfire Prone Zone. As such, FESA visited the school earlier this year to assess whether the

school grounds met the specifications required. Alas, they didn't and recently work was done to remove trees within 3m of our buildings and to parkland clear the bush area.

The contractors were very respectful in trying to remove as little as possible while meeting the requirements for a safe site.

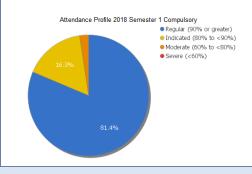
We also review our Bushfire Plan annually. You can read the document on the school's website:

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Attendance

Ninety four percent of our students attended regularly last semester compared to 74% in 2017 and 67% in 2016. What a great result! This is due to less vacation leave being taken during the school term.

What has increased is unauthorised attendance or non-attendance where we don't get a reason from parents. Don't forget to drop a quick email or phone call to explain why your child was away. If you forget, please write the reason on the attendance letter you receive as a follow up. Thanks.







Dress up day Tuesday 21 August;

Come to school dressed as your favourite book character.

There will be a parade at 9am, prizes for best dressed and a treasure hunt for all students. Parents welcome.

Thank you, Ms Viner

Winter Carnival – Friday 24 August, Years 3-6 Permission and payment due by Wednesday 15 August.

Thank you ©

A question you can ask your child about school instead of how was your day,

"What kind of person were you today?"



Congratulations to our new Student Councillors: Chantelle- Captain and Library, Laluca- Captain and Media, Lara- Sports and Matilda- Sports.





The last two weeks have been hectic, with Luca and Logan putting out a wonderful winter warmer for MasterChef. It was really fantastic timing as the weather was horrible and cold but they produced a very appetizing Pumpkin Soup and Garlic Bread.

On the 7th of August, Anabelle and Keenan pleased the crowds with their Loaded Wedges with bacon bits, cheese and a sour avocado sauce, the meal had great flavours and worked well together and we had lots of students coming back looking for more. Well done guys!

Just a reminder to Students and Parents, the meals have to contain at least three items from the Kitchen Garden. The garden does contain a lot of fruit, veg and herbs, so lets use the resources we have and make some fantastic meals.

Cheers, Mr Jones



