

Principal's Report 21st June 2017

Enrolments

1. Current enrolment is 336 students, with seven new students commencing at the start of term 3.
2. We currently have 32 students enrolled for prep/Foundation for 2018.
3. We have two short-term (grade 5) international students enrolled for 5 weeks in term 3, from Beijing.

Strategic Goals and Priorities

1. All staff participated in professional learning sessions on Monday May 29th linked to our strategic goals of Student Wellbeing, STEM and Assessment.
2. All students in years 4-6 participated in DET's annual *Attitudes to School* survey. This is the first time our students completed the survey online and that year 4 students participated in completing the survey.
3. Staff are completing the final changes to their semester 1 reports using our new Assessment and Reporting software package.

Staffing

1. Nicky Tillyer has commenced working with our students as part of her role as our Artist in Residence. Students will be supported by Nicky to produce pieces of artwork for our biannual Art Show.

Community Life

1. Education week was a huge success with our open sessions and open night. A big turn out to the morning tea, prep for a morning and open night shows how committed our community are to their child's education.
2. Story Time is continuing to be a huge success. We have had over 30 pre-schoolers participate in this program already.
3. The School Ball preparations are in full swing in what will be a memorable night.
4. Our students have been extremely active with many opportunities to support our Student Voice initiatives. These include our hugely successful and inaugural Templestowe Heights Got Talent, hot chocolate drinks, community garden and not to mention getting things ready for our chickens.
5. The year 1/2 students and staff went to Edendale Farm, linked to their sustainability unit of inquiry.
6. Our thirteen basketball teams are currently competing in their finals campaigns while our three mini-ball teams have commenced their season. This school basketball program continues to be so successful, bringing our community together.
7. Our 2/3 Choir visited and performed at Templestowe Heights Preschool on 1st June. Our students had a great time performing some modern songs. Thank you to Lisa Clark for leading this.
8. Eliza, Matthew, Bridget, Seth represented our school at the Eastern District cross-country competition held at Yarra Valley Race Course.
9. Otylia (5/6M) and Alex (5/6H) represented our school in the Manningham Public speaking competition.

Professional Learning

1. Ross Toogood has facilitated some morning time "Techie Breakie" professional learning sessions for staff. His morning sessions focus on teaching learning tools focused on coding.
2. Lisa Clark has completed a 6-week professional learning program linked to her role as EAL/literacy intervention.
3. Chris Egan and Mary McQuilten continue to work with year level teams in their roles as instructional literacy coaches.
4. Jeanette Breen (Masters of Instructional Leadership), Angela Makris and Ross Toogood (Middle Leadership program, Bastow Institute) continue to participate in further studies.
5. Margaret and Anna have both participated in professional learning sessions linked to their roles of fin

Resources

1. Eleven new WAPs will be installed shortly throughout the school to increase functionality of the school's Wi-Fi connection.