

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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JUNE

Kaya,

As we approach the end of Term 2, I want to thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's learning. It's been a busy and rewarding term, full of learning, growth and wonderful community spirit.

Over the upcoming two-week winter break, I hope your family finds time to rest, recharge, and enjoy the simple things—like reading a great book, splashing in puddles, and sharing a warm hot chocolate together.

A few quick updates as we head into the final week of term:

Ahlia's Kindness Day

Ahlia's Kindness Day was a heartwarming success! Thanks to the incredible support and generosity of our community, we raised an amazing \$7,890.60 for DIPG. Throughout the day, we witnessed countless acts of kindness that truly reflected the spirit of Ahlia's legacy.

A huge thank you to Miss Bell, Miss Paula, Miss Ash, and Miss Nic for their tireless dedication and hard work in bringing this event to life. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and donated. Your passion and commitment made all the difference.

Principal Leave

I will be taking four weeks of Long Service Leave and will return midway through Week 2 of Term 3. During this time, Mrs Kate Grime will step into the role of Acting Principal, with Miss Amanda Collins taking on the Deputy Principal role full time. You may also see Mr Gary Quin helping out as Acting Deputy Principal on some days. I know the school will be in very capable hands during this time. I will enjoy my holiday and will then be looking forward to returning.

NAIDOC Week - Celebrating Culture and Community

In Week 10, we're excited to celebrate NAIDOC Week across the school. We have a rich program planned to honour and learn from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and perspectives. The week will begin with a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony delivered by Max and Brendon Jetta and include face painting, beading, Deadly socks, Paper Scissors Rock competition, weaving, damper making (and eating!), a fire pit and yarnning circle, and much more.

We're also very lucky to be hosting Isobel Bevis, a visiting author, who will be working with students in Years 1-6 on Thursday, and special parent guest to read to the Kindy/PP students on Wednesday. On Wednesday, we warmly invite our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families to a VIP morning tea and cultural workshop. We will also welcome some of our community in to help with the fun. Please keep an eye out for more details coming home shortly.

Cross Country - Well Done!

A huge congratulations to all students who took part in our Cross Country event. Endurance running is a challenging skill, and we are so proud of the effort and determination shown by all. Thank you to Miss Collins and the team for the smooth organisation, and to the many families who braved the chilly weather to cheer on our runners—your presence made it all the more special.

Wishing all our students and families a safe, restful and joy-filled winter break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in Term 3.

Kind regards,
Claire Nicol
Principal