From the Principal …

Parent Club Needs You!!

At North School we have a Parent Club group which is a valuable asset to this school. It consists of volunteers that meet twice a term to discuss fundraising events. Last year we organised one event each term which were- sports day, sausage sizzle, Easter raffle, walkathon and several casual days. The entire year was hugely successful and raised over $10,000. This money was used for the new outdoor sitting area in upper primary, we supported pedal prix, choir, purchased sunscreen for each class, calculators for graduating year 7’s and numerous other donations.

It is a very positive atmosphere and a great way to meet new parents and get involved in the school. Unfortunately this group cannot continue without parent helpers, if you are able to assist in any way please contact Kay McInerney or Jason Sluggett at the School on 85323055.

2016 Governing Council

We warmly welcome Kylie Green and Skye Hayes to MBNS Governing Council. Continuing Councillors for 2016 are Robyn Kleinig, Kelli Owen, Anna-Maree Day, Lyndal Densley, Kerralyn Payne, Jenny Watson and Marcia Stapleton. Staff Reps are currently Meg Maxwell and Mel Ansell. Michelle Knitschke is our Ngarrindjeri Ngratan Yanun Ngratan Representative and Malcolm Allen is our Community Representative. Our school is hosting training on Governing Councils this Thursday evening 7 – 8.30 in out Library and interested persons are welcome to attend. The training will include:

- Governance vs Management
- Role and functions of Governing Council’s
- Membership
- Office bearers
- Committees
- Meeting procedures
- Legal Obligations and Conflict of Interest
- Dispute mediation
- Information Privacy Principals
- Ways to engagement vs consultation vs representation

The role of the Governing Council will be clarified as well as their responsibilities. Anyone wishing to attend contact the Front Office on 85323055.

Sports Day

Sports Day will be held on Friday April 1. It is a great day for families to support their children to participate in activities. Sport Day is a fun day and all children are expected to participate. All children will start the day in their classroom for the roll and move to the top oval for the team chants. Children are encouraged to wear their team colours, sunscreen and must wear a hat. Junior Primary R - 2: Classes will then move to the bottom oval for circuit activities until recess. After recess will be the running races and tug of war. Lunchtime eating will be with class teachers followed by the usual lunch break and normal classroom activities in the afternoon.

Upper Primary Year 3- 7: Classes will then disperse into their teams for the day’s activities. The day finishes at 3.10 at the completion of the combined events. Upper Primary Year 3- 7: Classes will then disperse into their teams for the day’s activities. The day finishes at 3.10 at the completion of the combined events.
Sports Day News and Canteen:

There will be a BBQ once again at the gym for lunch time purchases of sausages in bread and cans of soft drink all $2 each. The canteen will be selling tea, coffee and donuts at recess time for parents.

At lunch time there will be lunch orders as usual for students. Some specials will be available for parents and students such as savoury slices, pizza slices and salad rolls to purchase over the counter.

Dear Parents and Families, We are excited to announce our school is once again using the Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress programs this year. These programs are designed to help get your child excited and motivated to read. Both are designed to follow your child’s reading development and is linked to the Australian Curriculum. The programs are easily accessible at home, school, when out...anywhere there is an internet connection! This subscription has been generously funded by the school (a saving of $80 per student) and all children enrolled from Foundation to year 7 have access. Your child’s teacher will send home logon details. Please see your child’s teacher if you are having any difficulty using the user names and passwords.

### Dates to Remember

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Room 4.7 HASS (Humanities and Social Sciences) and Health

HASS
In 2016 all year 1 and 2 students will engage in 1 lesson per week of HASS. This semester we are focusing on History. We have been looking at family structures and who is in our families. We will be finding out what roles people have in our families and if those roles have changed over time. Later in the semester students will be investigating the past and present and how communication, toys, technology and fashion have changed or remained the same, while also understanding the importance of respecting the past. In semester 2 we will be focusing on Geography.

Miss Waldron

HEALTH
This semester in Health I’m teaching most R-2 classes. Mr Sluggett is teaching Rooms 4.5 and 4.6 and we are following the same curriculum. We have one lesson a week. This term we are focusing on the Australian Curriculum strands: Naming parts of the body and describing how their body is growing and changing and Identifying and describing emotional responses people may experience in different situations. We have been looking at our bodies particularly the features of the body, face and brain. This term we will be learning more about different organs, our skeletons and how we can keep our bodies healthy. We will also look at our emotions and how we might work to control them. Next semester we will examine healthy foods and other ways to keep our bodies healthy. Throughout our learning we are practicing our personal and social skills to interact positively with others.

Lesley Murray
Dr Seuss Birthday Celebrations in 4.6

March 2\textsuperscript{nd} would have been Dr Seuss' 112\textsuperscript{th} birthday. As our theme for Term 1 is Dr Seuss we celebrated this special day with a 'dress up day' and many Seuss inspired activities, including preparing a speech full of super interesting facts about Dr Seuss and presenting it to other classes.

Did you know that Dr Suess wasn't a doctor at all? And that his first book published, 'And to Think That I saw it on Mulberry Street' was in fact rejected by 27 different companies before being printed by a friend?

In Dr Seuss' own words "Today was good. Today was fun. Tomorrow is another one."
The latest news from Room 6.2

We have been learning about the 5Ls. We made a classroom chart to help us remember what we need to do when we are learning in the classroom. The charts encourage us to make strong choices.

Ears listening  Eyes looking

How to follow the 5Ls in Room 6.2:

Legs crossed  Hands in laps

Lips are closed

Science

We have been learning about observable changes in the sky and landscape. We constructed a class garden with Room 6.1 to help us understand how things in our landscape can change. We have planted Rocket, Coriander, Sweet Pea seeds and a Polka Dot plant. We have also planted some objects we found around the classroom.

Top Readers

We have four students who have reached over 25 nights of reading. Lachy, Zahne, Jordyn and Lucas are striving to achieve our class goal of reading 7 nights per week!
Classroom 4.3

Mrs. Thompson's
Reception Class
March 2016

Science- Biological Sciences, Term 1

The students have enjoyed growing their own beans.

Aim: Growing their own bean seed to observe their own living thing and to create opportunities for questioning and discussions around how things grow and what living things need to stay alive.

Australian Curriculum Achievement Standard: Living things have basic needs including food and water. Respond to questions about familiar objects and events.

We also have chicken eggs in the incubator hopefully the children will have an opportunity to watch a chicken hatch from its egg.

Ann Baker Maths- Number and Algebra, Term 1

The Fishy Puppet Show

We have had great fun making puppets and creating our own songs. The puppets look great and the songs showed we have some budding stars in the class.

Aim: To make their own fish and then working in groups creating their own puppet show using the Story Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister and the songs “1,2,3,4,5 once I caught a fish alive” and “Slippery fish” and counting fish song based on the five little ducks.

Australian Curriculum Achievement Standard: Subitising and Counting small groups of objects using number names.

Growing our own beans

The Fishy Puppet Show

Students showing their beans

Students showing their Fishy Puppets