11th October, 2016

Pyramid Hill College
Is a Child Safe School

Principal’s News

Welcome
This week we welcome William (Year 3) and Abigail (Foundation) Nicholas to Pyramid Hill College and we hope that your stay is a long and enjoyable one.

About You Survey
The About You survey will take place at the College on Thursday 13th October for Year 5 & 8 students. The information package sent home last week stated that if you do not wish your child to be involved in the project, the refusal of consent form must be returned to the College by the 13th October.

Pyramid Fiesta
The excitement is building as dance practice, banner creation, artworks and food preparation are all taking place at the college. This week some of our senior students have been visiting St Patrick’s school to instruct their students in the dance routines for the festival. The Fiesta has been a great opportunity for all our students to be learning within the ‘real world’ context; and also for building those very important relationships and creating connections within our community. The Fiesta will this year include our Kool Skoals launch! The Fiesta will be a great community event so we encourage all our families to come along!

LMR Athletics
Last Thursday Bradley Moon was our sole competitor selected in the NCC team that participated in the regional athletics day in Bendigo. Bradley qualified for the 14 years shot put and performed his personal best on the day. Well done!

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P/1 Aquarium Excursion
Thursday, 13th October
*Be at school at 7.00 am bus will leave at 7.15 am sharp, we will not wait for late people.
*Tea money in a named envelope.
*School uniform.
*Spending Money limit $10 in named envelope
*Packed lunch and water bottle.

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When you buy books from
Scholastic Book Club, they help build our classroom resources.
**Student of the Week (last term)**

**Tayah Ellis & Kaitlin Broad** - for volunteering to clean the floor in the stadium.

**Matthew Caspani** - for an excellent attitude and effort in the first week back.

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**Fiesta- Saturday 22nd October**

The Year Prep to Year 6 have been practising their dance several times a week, in readiness to perform at the Fiesta on Saturday 22nd of October. They will be required to wear black clothes (T-shirt, leggings or shorts). Could the girls please wear their hair up in a high pony tail. Girls who can’t tie their hair in a pigtail can you please clip your hair back so it doesn’t get in your face and you have to pull it out and you lose their spot in the dance. The dances are to commence at 5.30 pm but we will require the students there at 5pm.

**Next Friday, 21st October**, if weather permits we will be walking down to Kelly Park to practice with St Pats at 2pm.

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**Mosquito Repellent**

The tremendous amount of rain has bred some very big mosquitoes and school is no exception. Many students are being bitten, ending up with red itchy welts. It would be a good idea to spray your child with mosquito repellent before they come to school or allow them to bring it to school to apply.

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**Olympians**

Years 2 to 6 were very lucky and excited to listen to Rowena and Matt, two Olympians from Rio and London on Tuesday. They were inspirational and really pushed the message if you want something bad enough, set achievable goals that challenge you to do your best, anything is possible. We were all surprised at how heavy the Silver medals was. Thank you to the organisers.

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**Breakfast Club**

**Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays**

8.30 in the BER

All welcome

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**Orientation days for**

**Foundation (Prep)**

- **Wednesday 19th October**
  Parent Information Session

- **Wednesday 26th October**
  2017 Foundation (Prep) visit College 9-11 am

- **Friday 4th November**
  2017 Foundation (Prep) visit College -1-3.23pm

- **Monday 21st November**
  Foundation (Prep) visit College 12.00-3.23pm

- **Tuesday 6th December**
  Whole School Moving Up Day.

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**Visiting Author & Cartoonist**

On Tuesday, 18th October, all of our students will be participating in an incursion with an author, illustrator and cartoonist, Matt Glover. Year F to 6 will be using traditional pen and paper to join Matt in this experience and Year 7-10 students will be learning how to use a digital drawing app.

**IMPORTANT**: To be prepared for this session ALL YEAR 7-10 STUDENTS need to ensure they have downloaded the FREE app Sketchbook Express for iPad from the App Store on their device by Tuesday 18th October.

Order forms for books need to be returned with money by Friday, 14th October.

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**Budgie Update**

We have had a quick peek into the box in the budgie cage and we have three little bald baby budgies. If all goes well they will be ready for sale in three to four weeks and looking for a home. They should be yellow pied budgies.
**Year 7-10 News**

**Fiesta**
All preparations are progressing smoothly. All of the hand painted bunting and banners are complete. A big thank you to all the students involved; they look great. I must say that I am sick of sewing though!!! Year 8 students came up with a great idea for the Fiesta… a photobooth!! So they are currently organising some props for this which should be great fun!!!

All students are dancing beautifully in readiness for their Fiesta performances. A reminder that on the day students should wear black for dancing and waitering duties (aprons will be supplied for waiters).

**2017 Subject selection Books**
These books have been distributed to year 8 & 9 student this week in readiness for choosing their electives for next year. If parents wish to discuss their student’s personal learning plan for next year please don’t hesitate to contact us any time after the Fiesta. Sheets are due back by the end of October.

**First Aid - Wednesday 19th**
All year 9 students will be undertaking Nationally Accredited First Aid training on Wednesday with Rich River First Aid. This is a fantastic course and will be supplied to the students by the school. This course would normally cost about $200. Year 10 students will be updating their certificate from last year and students who are on the swimming pool roster will be doing their CPR.

**Bowls in Boort - Thursday 20th**
Some of our year 9 and 10 students are contesting the NCC Bowls next week. We wish them good bowling and no wrong bias displays!!!

**Work Experience**
All year 9 and 10 students are undertaking work experience. This has been discussed regularly in class assemblies, so students should have their placement organised. Forms are available from the school and should be completed by all the parties concerned before being returned to the school for the Principal to sign.

**Yr 9/10 Phys Ed Excursion**
On Friday, 14th October during periods 4 and 5, Year 9/10 students will be walking from school to Pyramid Hill Bowls Club and back. They will participating in Lawn Bowls activities as part of their Physical Education program.

**CFA Presentation**
On Friday Ben Lee from the Pyramid Hill CFA presented to students in year 7-10. Ben outlined the CFA’s role in the community and also provided the students will a practical look at CFA running. Ben promoted the opportunity for students to participate in a CFA running team.

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**Group of students pictures with Josh Dunkley-Smith Olympian Silver medallist at Rio, who visited last week**
Roster of Voluntary Workers for Fiesta Food

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Cooking of main course dishes will commence at 9am on Wednesday 19th October.

There will be a morning, afternoon and evening shift.

**If you can spare some time to help share the load can you please choose one or more time slots to assist on the day or in the days preceding circle the times you can help. The more the merrier and the less we all have to do!!! Please return to the office by next Monday or Tuesday.**

**Thanks in advance!**

If you have any questions please ring Pyramid Hill College 5455 7377 or
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