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Term 1 Week 8

Wednesday 21st March 2018

Some ongoing Professional Learning that Mrs Sansom has been attending, sharing and putting into practice in the classroom is, Seven Steps to Writing Success.

Mrs Hughes and Mrs Beard attended a PL Day in Newcastle last year, since that time Mrs Sansom has attended a presentation at Gloucester PS with Pina Serina. This course comes with lots of online resources and support. This is a new and evidenced based program that will hopefully lift our students writing skills and help them become more enthusiastic and excited in their writing.

This program breaks down the writing processes into individual steps, enabling children to become more confident in each smaller area. When put together hopefully they become more engaging and creative writers.

Some of the smaller steps are listed;

Step 1: Plan for Success

Step 2: Sizzling Starts

Step 3: Tightening Tension

Step 4: Dynamic Dialogue

Step 5: Show, Don't Tell

Step 6: Ban the Boring

Step 7: Exciting Endings

I encourage you to talk to your child/ren about what they are learning each week in writing. This program aligns directly with Strategic Direction 1 (Quality Teaching Practices) in our 2018-2020 School Plan.



Easter Hat Parade

Next Tuesday 27th is our Easter Hat Parade. By now children with the support and help of their families should be well along in the making of their 'Hat'.

These do not have to cost a lot of money, cardboard, textas, glitter, magazines etc can produce a wonderful piece of imagination.

Families are invited to share lunch with their children from 1.30pm onwards. Our Easter Hat Parade will follow lunch.

The P & C will also be drawing their raffle so please make sure you have sent in your chocolate donation and sold as many tickets as possible and sent them back into school.

Dates to Remember

23rd March: **Harmony Day activities**

27th March: **Easter Hat Parade**

28th March: **Soccer Gala Day in Gloucester**

30th March and 2nd April: **Easter Public Holidays**

5th April: **Term Assembly and Afternoon Tea**

6th April: **Troppo Bob @SPS with Stroud Road PS and Fun Food Friday BBQ.**

Infants sound of the week - N

Please send in any items that we can display that start with the letter N

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Awards

Class Awards

Miah - For settling back into class routine. Week 6
Savannah - For putting in an excellent effort. Week 6
Felicity - For getting your mojo back!. Week 7
Gracie - For trying hard to sound out words. Week 7

Core Value Awards

Christian- Caring for Others -Week 6
Gracie - Acting Responsibly - Week 6
Maitilda - Acting Responsibly - Week 7
Hunter - Showing Respect - Week 7

Thumbs Up Award

Miah
Well done everyone and keep trying your best!



OZ Opera

As in previous years the performance from the Oz Opera Team was fabulous. The Magic Flute mesmerised some of our students and the rest were entertained with music, fun, jokes and costumes.

We congratulate all of our students for their outstanding behaviour, it is always a pleasure to go to another school or on an excursion and know that you will all represent our school and your teachers with such lovely manners and behaviour. Well done everyone.



P & C News

Our last Fun Food Friday will be in Week 10, this being the sausage sizzle for the Troppo Bob Show Day.

Thank you to those who have already donated towards our Easter Raffle and/or returned their raffle tickets and money. There are spare tickets in the school office.

Raffle will be drawn on the Tuesday 27th after the Easter Hat Parade.

We were very short on numbers at our last P & C Meeting last week. We need people to attend and join the P & C for it to continue running. We need some new ideas for fund-raising, some helpers for planned events. Money raised by the P & C goes directly back to the school/students in support of programs, excursion subsidies, supply of uniforms etc. Please pledge some of your time to share the burden. Thank you.

Gloucester Junior Hockey Gala Day

Sunday 25th March 2018

9.30am for 10am start - Cook Park, Gloucester

Are you new to Hockey? This is the perfect chance to come and try for free!

We have Sticks and Shin pads available to use – just bring your own mouthguard!!

Age groups: 16 years & under, 13 years & under, 6 years & under

BBQ lunch and canteen facilities will be available

All players and supporters welcome!

Comp starts Wednesday 4th April 2018, 3.45pm to 5pm at Cook Park

Further information regarding registration fees can be found on our Facebook page.

If you have any questions phone Ollie Rinkin on 6558 1556 or Paula Blanch 0400 581 972

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