As learners we will: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible

Social Circus is Coming!
This Friday the children in Years 1-6 will be starting our Social Circus programme. This is an Outreach Programme from *Spaghetti Circus* in Mullumbimby. The children will have 45 minute lesson by their classes and divided into smaller groups. The activities they will be involved in cover work the PDHPE Syllabus but the focus will primarily be on the aspects of working together, trust, teamwork, confidence, having fun and joy in your life and developing enthusiasm to try. The 7 week programme will culminate in a whole performance that will be held after school and open to all our community. There is no cost to these classes. If parents would like to come up and see what is going on please pop in during the Friday morning times [finishing at 12:50]. As part of the outreach agreement a short professional movie will be made about the project. If you would prefer your child NOT to be part of this movie please let us know or return your general permission notes with the no box ticked [the blue form from the office].

This is a fantastic opportunity for our school and it fits in so well with our support for Student Wellbeing. …and to do with that, this week’s Character Value is ……..

**Joyfulness** – a peaceful sense of well-being, finding the joy in small things, having an inner sense that even in hard times and when we feel sad it is still OK to feel joy too. Joyfulness is when we can laugh and see humour in things.

Mid Richmond Swimming Team
Last Friday we took away a great team of swimmers to Woodburn. They showed amazing team support and a true attitude of “having a go” at the events. They didn’t give up and even though they were competing against some strong Swim Club swimmers, all the children from Coraki PS tried their best. That is what is needed, we can’t all be champions but a champion attitude is priceless.

From the day Levi Cavanough is going on to District Carnival for Breastroke and Teagan Corrigan has qualified for Age race. Congratulations especially to those children. Thank you Mrs Malleckar and Sharon for help out on the day also.

District Cricket Team Selections
Earlier this week, we sent some cricket players away to try out for the District Cricket team. From this, Harry Baker has been selected to be part of this mixed team. Go Harry! and well done to Jayden for giving it his best shot also.

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**Focus Value For the Week**

**Joyfulness**: a peaceful sense of well being, finding the joy in small things, having an inner sense that even in hard times and when we feel sad it is still OK to feel joy too.
School Captain/Prefect Speeches
Yesterday our seniors made their speeches for School Captains/ Prefects. They all spoke well, it can be very daunting speaking to an audience but they articulated their messages well. The results have not been counted yet but by the end of the week this will be done. We then need interviews with parents and agreements signed. Our presentation assembly will be very close on the horizon. We will let you know.
And speaking of assemblies – please don’t forget our new assembly time is every second Monday [week 5, week 7 and week 9]. It starts at 2 o’clock with a class presenting each time. Parents are really encouraged to join in for afternoon tea afterwards so children from that class can show their work. We look forward to seeing our families there.

Just some more reminders –
- Book packs need to be bought in the next 2 weeks so all classes are set with equipment.
- Some general permission notes need to come back.
- We really, really need updated phone numbers please. If there are any changes, let us know immediately.
- Parents are always welcome to come up and have a yarn with teachers. If there is anything of concern or that we need to be aware of, please come and have a chat, we are sure anything can be sorted and it gives us a chance to let you know how wonderful your child can be at school – we like to brag about their work too!!

In the meantime, have a good week with many of those moments of joyfulness that can come out of the blue…

Chat time……
Please feel free to contact the office to arrange a suitable time to chat about any concerns or questions you may have, or if more convenient please email me at: jane.cottee@det.nsw.edu.au

Department of Education Parent Resources.
The department has a great website. Here are some links below to help with some of your questions.

Maths questions
Are you in search of an educational game to sharpen your child's maths skills and recall? Maths Monkey’s Quest features maths questions on topics ranging from addition and subtraction to ratios and percentages. It’s aimed at children from Years 3 to 8.

Helping your child with homework
How do you help your child while allowing them to develop independence? Teachers talk about how parents can help kids take responsibility for their homework and avoid Thursday night meltdowns.
Weekly Awards

K-1CT
Cody Martin—Settling into year one well.
Raymond Anderson—Settling into year one well.
Trent Hancock—Settling into Kindy well.
Gemma Boag—Settling into Kindy well

3-4JC
Joshua Stewart—Trying his best.
Chloe Stewart—Being a wonderful friend.

5-6MM
Cooper Olive—Great start to the year.
Bronte Phelps—Trying hard in all areas.
Jayden Battese—Answering questions in an enthusiastic manner.
Shiarnah Faint—Great start to the year.

Gubi Awards

Thomas Thompson 180
Mollee Olive 410
Gaige Little Federici 270
Harry Baker 510
Logan Brien 300
Tahlia Lindsay 350
Shiarnah Faint 350
Angel Spek 310
Austin Rayner 370
Blaire McElligott 230
Tigerlily Corkill 230
Izak Welch 150
Jake Spencer 130
Chloe Stewart 190
Hayley Spencer 100
Teagan Corrigan 340

Office Notes

General Permission and Updated Medical forms.
Could you please return these to the Office by Monday 16th February.

Canteen Menu
We have included this term’s Canteen Menu for you. If you need a copy please contact the office.

Book Packs & Voluntary Contributions
These are available from the front Office for $20.00 each. Book packs include a refill for the year for this bargain price!!

We have EFTPOS available to make your life easier.

Thank you.
Caitlin, Abbey, Caitlin, Cooper, Sam and Levi presenting their Leaders speeches to the school community.
Well done to all of you, it is not easy to speak in public to promote yourself.

The Mid Richmond Swimming Carnival was a fine, sunny day. Well done to all the students who participated.
Levi Cavanough will be attending the Ballina District Carnival in the next round.