



NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to Week 2 here at Mil Le!

It has been wonderful to be able to reconnect with so many students and families and having them return to school. For now, the health and well being of our school community is of high priority and we will continue to follow the advice provided by Dr Nicola Spurrier SA Health and the Department for Education's COVID-19 team.

We have some new morning routines in place with "hand hygiene" a continued focus across the site. As mentioned in our newsletter last week, we would like parents to continue for the next few weeks to not enter classrooms as social distancing in this environment can be very difficult to maintain. We do ask that if you would like to speak with any staff member that you please make contact via phone or email, we will be only too happy to discuss any issues or concerns that you have.

Thank you all for your support during this time and for assisting your child/children to have a smooth transition back to school. As some of our students have returned to school they have found themselves in "The Learning Pit". Learning occurs when you step out of your comfort zone. And yet, many people are hesitant to take this step for fear of making mistakes. We all make mistakes, adults too and this is how we learn!

That's when "The Learning Pit" can help: to encourage and reassure learners that taking risks, asking questions, and trying new things can help them develop their abilities and deepen their understanding. More importantly, we do come out of "The Learning Pit" and we can help others to do the same by questioning, sharing and thinking out loud. A positive "Growth Mindset" can help us by allowing us to work through our challenges, accept feedback and be resilient when not successful.

The "EUREKA" moment, that moment when we say "ahhh, I get it" is one that we MUST and SHOULD celebrate whilst also remembering "that without great effort there is no reward".

In the next few weeks, I encourage you to sit down and talk with your child/children about their learning, what they are struggling with and remind them that they will eventually achieve success if they work hard, seek help and ask questions if they are unsure.

I'm really looking forward to the term ahead, it is going to full of some great learning opportunities and I hope that EVERY student takes up challenge to be the best learner that they can in every situation.

Kind regards
Tamarin Condon
Principal

WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE?

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Parent Club News

Dear Parents and Caregivers, with winter days in the way and growing children I’m sure you are in need of uniform items. The Parent Club offer some great uniform pieces and many warm options for winter. Please collect a uniform order form/price list from the front office and complete your order by Friday May 15. Payment details will be attached to the order form. If you have any questions please contact Lauren via our Parent Club Facebook page or text 0417 862 826. Thank you.



Meet the “Kimiochi’s”

The Kimochi’s are a universal, school-based, social and emotional learning programs designed to give children the knowledge, skills, and attitudes they need to recognize and manage their emotions, demonstrate caring and concern for others, establish positive relationships, make responsible decisions, and handle challenging situations constructively.

Through the use of stories and activities our students will learn about “Bug, Cloud, Huggtopus, Lovey Dove, Clover, Bella Rose, Cat and Hero” and how they have feelings too!

Belinda Tilley our Pastoral Care Worker is creating a Kimochi space in our library with the characters, games and lots of great activities. Stay tuned—this will happen over the next few weeks.

When will you meet the Kimochis? Who knows when they will appear, I bet it is soon!!

DATES TO REMEMBER

May

Week 4, Wednesday 20 May

Finance and Governing Council Meeting

Week 4, Friday 22 May
year!

PINK STUMPS DAY (Students only this

Week 6, Monday 1 June

PYJAMA DAY

Week 7, Monday 8 June

Queen’s Birthday - PUBLIC HOLIDAY



100 Word Challenge Writing in the 6/7 Class



Most weeks, our class participates in the international writing competition "The 100 word challenge". Children from all over the world participate in it. The students post their writing on their blogs and receive comments from other students and teachers around the world. Last week's prompt was a photo taken by Mount Gambier photographer Ockert LeRoux, and here are some of our students' responses to it:

It was a full moon and a man was walking in the forest hunting for food. As the clouds moved away from the moon, something started to happen. Hair was shooting out his back he dropped on his knees. He had turned into a werewolf. He ran at a deer and jumped at it and ate it but a cloud went over the the moon and he suddenly turned back into a human. His clothes were ripped, his pants had holes. He ran back to his house as fast as an Olympic runner. From that night on every full moon he stays inside.
By Samuel

Smack bam in the middle of nowhere sat there a ripped, attacked and teared up tree on it's own. It was a beautiful night, with a glowing creamy moon, with a galaxy sky and sparkling clouds. In the day time people would crowd around this tree and take photos, but at night it was absolutely silent no cars no people no nothing it was magnificent absolutely magnificent. Small and big animals would perch up on this interesting tree. But I never new why it was so incredible. I wonder if that is what I am going to find out soon.
By Eliza

In the hidden sand at night village people gathered to see the red uchiha eye moon. The moon was a blood red color and had tear drops in every circle. It only came once a year. Kazekage (mayor of the sand) loved it so much he painted it and put it in his office. but this year was a disaster because a small tree was growing in front of it. It was brownish black and smelled like a maple tree and looked like it was dying. Meanwhile people were frowning and started leaving because it wasn't beautiful anymore.

By Lachie

The thunder growled as me and Mack walked into the cemetery. "Jon what are we doing?", said Mack. "We are going to try to find zombies" I said. we walked further into the cemetery. I heard something in the bushes i went to look nothing. "false alarm Mack" i said. he did not reply, Mack still nothing i turned around Mack was gone. i started to run back on the way i passed a tree the branches were tangled in a knot, no leaves the bark was as black as coal. I continued, out i went never to see Mack my friend again.

By Joshua

Placed low in the sky, was a bright, shining moon shimmering in the sky. It was the night of the year, the night we could all escape isolation. Me and my friends decided we would celebrate by walking down to the old barbers house. The barbers house was aged and rickety. It was surrounded by tall twiggy trees. All the leaves were dry and crumpled on the ground. The strange thing was, it was the middle of summer. I felt a cool breeze flow down my back, I instantly turned around fearing something was watching me but it was only the moon staring at me, illuminating the sky. When I turned back around I found that it wasn't the only thing staring at me.

By Isabelle