Senior Site Bites

Dates to remember:
- 10 Apr—Parent/Teacher Online Interview Bookings will open
- 10 Apr—Whole School ANZAC Assembly, Senior Site Gym 11.30am
- 11 Apr—Last Day of Term 1
- 28 Apr—First Day of Term 2
- 1 May—Parent/Teacher Interviews

This term a group of students have been working hard on designing and building chopping boards. The process has taken a number of weeks with the students using a range of tools such as, hand planner, disc sander, thicknesser, router and tenon saw. The first products (pictured) will be taken home as a present for mum or dad. The subsequent chopping boards we design and build will be sold to the school community (more details at a later stage). Well done boys.

The end of the term is quickly coming to a close next week. Our full Newsletter will be issued on Friday 11 April with relevant information to parents and carers. NAPLAN Parent Information Flyers will be sent home next week in preparation for the testing in Term 2. Please note the details below for our Open Night.

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Gold Creek Reptile Zoo Excursion

On Tuesday week 8 and week 9 the Year 9 science classes attended an excursion to the reptile zoo in Gold Creek Village. The students had a great time interacting with a range of lizards and snakes and investigating the animals adaptations to environment to build on knowledge they have learned in class which can be used in their assignments due next week.

After the zoo we all retreated to Café Injoy for lunch. Everyone enjoyed themselves and some brave students overcame their fears and should be very proud of themselves.

Jenni McInnes and Nick West
Science Facility

Sports News

On Monday March 24, the Sports Leadership class undertook the Active After Schools Community certificate. This course will enable these students to be able to facilitate games and sport activities for students at the Primary Site who attend after school care. For these students, it is a possible means of employment for the first time and a great way to build links between the two campuses.

Furthermore, this Friday, 20 students in the class will be volunteering their time to assist in the running of the Primary School Cross Country carnival. The purpose of this is to provide opportunities for students to develop leadership skills in a sports setting and to build links across the two campuses. I thank the students for their willingness to volunteer for this event and for their behaviour and commitment at the course last week. Well done.

On Monday 31 March a Year 7/8 and Year 9/10 team from Gold Creek participated in the Northside Basketball competition at Belconnen Basketball stadium. The day brought different challenges for both teams. The 7/8 team being fairly new to the game and the 9/10 team, a young team in their division trying to defend the title of ACT champions from the previous year.

Unfortunately neither team made the ACT finals, however, the boys tried extremely hard. In particular the 7/8 team who fought hard to secure a 16 all draw against Belconnen High School in their final game. Well done.

The 9/10 team won 2 and lost 2 games. The two games they lost were two very strong teams, however, as I explained to the boys, their better performances on the day were against those teams. They are a young team and possibly will get a chance as Year 10 students next year. The games the boys won were against Belconnen High and Harrison School.

Well done to both teams for their application and willingness to work as part of a team. You did your school proud.

Mr Felix

ANZAC Day Assembly

Our whole school ANZAC day assembly will be held at the Senior Site on Thursday 10 April (week 10) commencing at 11.30am in the Gym. The Primary Site students and staff will walk, in class groups, to the Senior Site to join this very special assembly, all families are welcome to attend. Defence families should have received, via e-mail, an invitation to join us for this assembly with light refreshments afterwards in the library. I hope that you will be able to attend. If you haven’t already done so, please forward your RSVP’s if you are planning to come. We encourage you to wear full ceremonial dress uniforms for this special commemorative event, students who are Defence Force Cadets may wear their cadet uniform to school on this day.

If you have had a recent posting to Canberra and your child/children were in formal education before the move, then you may be eligible for tutoring assistance. Please contact me if you would like more information.

Hilary Kinraid
DTM / DSTA