Each week we are concentrating on reading, writing, punctuation and spelling activities in an endeavour to improve our students’ literacy skills.

Our numeracy results over the years have shown to be our strongest learning area. Numeracy continues to be an important part of our core learning.

Educational research states it is vital for children to read daily. It is our goal that 100% of our students will read each week night as part of their homework. Prep students need to be read to so that they develop a love of reading. Please read stories to your child. To assist us we require parents to please sign their child’s communication/homework book when you listen to your child read. Our students have come up with some great rewards for achieving 100%. With your support and encouragement I’m sure we can reach our goal.

The topics being covered are:
Years 5/6 – On the Case. Students identify ways nicotine adversely influences physical and social development. Students also identify high risk situations and develop strategies to deal with the influences and pressures to smoke.

Years 3 and 4 - Harold’s Diary Students are invited to read Harold’s Diary as he shares stories relating to bullying, feelings, developing coping strategies, safety with medicines and the importance of making healthy food choices.

Prep – Year 2 - Harold’s Mystery Tour The class joins Harold and his friends on a mystery tour where they experience an ‘Amazing Body Adventure.’ The children explore appropriate remedies when feeling sick, issues of safety and ways to cope when feeling pressured.
CROSS COUNTRY RUN
Our Cross Country Run this year will be held on Thursday 2nd April 2015 commencing at 9:00am. Please come along to cheer on the students. There will be a sausage sizzle to follow. The 2km (Years 2005/2006) and 3km (Years 2003/2004) course runs outside the school grounds (down past Mrs Brinkworth’s house and along the dirt road and the back along the school road. Could parents of students running the 2km and 3km course please sign the attached permission note and return to school asap. I would also appreciate volunteers to assist on the course. I estimate needing about 6 parents. If you can help please let me know. Thanks

DISCO
A reminder that the Student Council is holding a Disco at the School for all students on Friday 27th March 2015. The evening will commence with a sausage sizzle at 5:30pm and the disco will follow. The disco will finish at 8:00pm. Cost for the sausage sizzle, a softdrink and entry to the disco is $5.00 per student. Additional sausages or softdrinks will be $2.00 each. Please read attached flyer.

P & C NEWS
Our AGM was held last Friday. Congratulations to the new P & C Committee.

President: Nikki Gayler
Vice President: Tanya Jeffrey
Secretary: Ruth Stevens
Treasurer: Sandy Gardner

Fundraising Committee – Gretel Lee & Kylie Lawn

Special thanks to our retiring P & C Committee members Kerry and Merisse. We very much value your positive contribution to our school.

Our P & C seek your support as they endeavour to raise money to provide additional resources for the school.

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SPELLING TIP: Add ‘d’ before ‘ge’ after short vowels. Without the ‘d’ the ‘e’ would change the short vowel to a long vowel (e.g., cadge vs cage). Are you smarter than the average Year 3 student?? (check on attached sheet)

I give permission for my child/ren _________________________________ to leave the school grounds for the cross country run as listed above on 2nd April 2015.

I accept that the Department of Education, Training and the Arts does not have personal accident insurance cover for students.

Signed ____________________________________________