Paperwork Time

With today’s newsletter, I have included the PCYC out of school hours care (OSHC) paperwork. It is our aim to have all families fill out this paperwork to give their children access to the service. Even if you are not planning to use the service on a regular basis, if the paperwork is already done, it only takes a phone call to the school to access the service in an emergency. We often have families who have a car breakdown, get caught at an appointment or just need and extra hour to do ‘things’. If your paperwork is all done, you don’t have to panic, just call.

The paperwork outlines the hours of operation and the costs before the childcare rebate is deducted. Please return these before the end of term 1 because all things are lined up to officially start in term 2.

Murphy’s Creek Challenge
Where is the Titanic?

a) In the Bermuda Triangle
b) At the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean
c) In the British Maritime Museum
d) Floating aimlessly in the Pacific

On Friday March 21 we will be celebrating Harmony Day. The theme for Harmony Day this year is, Many Stories, One Australia. Throughout the day we will engage in 4 different activities recognising and celebrating some of the different cultures that make up our great country. We are looking to make Chinese Lanterns, Japanese Kites, Painting our stories on Boomerangs and learning to sing Advance Australia Fair in the Luritja language, an Aboriginal Dialect. We would like to invite your feedback on these proposed activities.
“Strive to Excel”
School Motto

Playgroup
9am each Monday
Bring a hat, water bottle & a snack.
All Welcome!

Chappy’s Corner

Gday,
Here is a little thought for the week!

Life is not about how fast you run or how high you climb but how well you bounce.

~Nicholas Kavounis

It is so important in life that we learn Ability to bounce back no matter what Challenges we face.
Have a great Week.
Chappy Don.

Mike Martin,
Young Leaders Day, 3-3-14

Mike Martin was one of the speakers we (the School and vice captains of 2014) were privileged to hear from. The way he talked about leader ship was that leaders are like trees, and the way to distinguish a good leader was by looking at the leaves, the flowers, and the fruit.

Firstly, Martin talked about “Leadership is for everyone, it’s for whoever can step up and meet the mark.” He told us that a lot of people didn’t think we could do it, they didn’t think we knew anything about it and wouldn’t until we were adults. (To be fair, I haven’t met a responsible adolescent yet. Nor do I think I will.) But then he said they were wrong; he said, “You know more about leader ship than they know, and often more than you know.”

Secondly, Martin talked about influence. He told us that influence was the key, that anyone could (or can) have influence, without even knowing it! Like how the older children are usually (I say usually because I’ve been to some schools where the older kids should be more like the preps, more generous, less obnoxious!) the ones who set an example. Or the fashions of a celebrity or even the bully at school. Anyone can have influence, anyone (scary right?). And anyone can choose what to do with that influence. (Even scarier!) It all depends on what mark you leave behind, because you will leave one, do you want to be favoured, or tolerated?! Do you want people to want to be around you? Or do you want them to run for the hills? Everyone has a choice, use it wisely.

Thirdly, Martin talked about how much like trees leaders are. “The way to distinguish a good tree is to look at the leaves, the flowers and the fruit. Not unlike young leaders.” To look at leaves: “Stap is Fair. Hard work is recognised and rewarded. The flowers: “Stuff is Safe. Physically, Emotionally, Intellectually and Environmentally. (Emotionally as in, you can tell people something without worrying that someone will laugh at you.) He also gave us some hints, tips, and suggestion about how to make our leadership tree grow; by reading books, watching movies, having conversations with people that know more about the subject than you, or are smarter than you, (like me!) and going to The Leadership Convention.

And finally, Martin concluded With The Main Thought, “Nothing great, cool or long lasting ever starts that way.” And by telling us that the only difference between him and us is; A, years or time, and B, what he did with his decisions. “Everyone sits here, wonders, why somebody doesn’t do something, then they realise they are somebody.”

Lili Peachey, Leader Ship Convention Recount, Mike Martin, 6-3-14

Students of the Week