

Student/Staff update:

Our current enrolment is at 461 students. There are currently 82 students enrolled for Kindergarten 2021 and 52 students leaving in Year 6.

We anticipate that we will start the year with 20 classes.

Miss Ali is replacing Mrs Johnson on 2/3J and Miss Serratore is replacing Mrs Vandermaal on 2V who has taken leave this term.

Community Building Grant

Funding from this grant that was achieved by the P&C will be used to update areas of the playground to create more seating and a more functional play space in the section between the top and bottom playground.

The quote for this work is attached. We propose to request that Level 33 contribute the cost of the upgrade of the grassed area including the synthetic grass.

150 Year Celebrations

The school will celebrate 150 years this year, however, due to COVID, the official celebration has been postponed until early next year.

A whole school commemorative photo in the shape of 150 will be taken on Thursday 26 November.

The 150th committee of teachers are working hard to complete the final chapter which will be about 2020.

If parents would like to contribute by writing about their memories of the school if they have been here for a long time, their experiences of 2020 or their thoughts about the school, please email your responses to the school.

External Validation

The school has completed the External Validation process. This involved a thorough evaluation of our achievements for the current school plan using evidence of impact for staff, students and the community.

The school submitted a portfolio of evidence to a panel of external principals and evaluators, who met with our leadership team to discuss the evidence that has been provided and the judgements that we have made on our progress against the School Excellence Framework.

We are very proud of our achievements and have shared the final submission for parents to view.

Strategic Improvement Plan

The school is in the process of using all the evidence collected in the External Validation to write a school situational analysis which will take into account many facets of the school. I.e, enrolment/attendance data/ student performance, wellbeing, human resources, and school finance. Consultation with staff, students and parents is an important part of the process. Tell Them from me Survey is one way that we will be collecting this information. This will then assist in devising our school goals for the next 4 year cycle.

We will be sharing our progress with parents along the way and asking for feedback through the consultation phase.

Kindergarten Transition

Transition will be held in weeks 7 and 8 of this term. This will look a little different this year. There will be 7 sessions and each student attends for 2 two hour sessions from 12.30-2.30. The numbers will be limited to 20 students per session.

Individual interviews with each family have been completed this term which has allowed us to meet the student and their parents on a more personal level.

We have also completed videos to assist in disseminating information about the school. These have been posted to all our media platforms including the school website.

We are very proud of this work and would like to thank Mr McCubben who has worked hard to put them together so professionally.

Mrs Nitsa Comminos Principal