

Principal's Report to the P&C Tuesday 19 October 2021

40th Anniversary

Thank you to all P&C members for the effort and energy that has gone into our 40th anniversary celebrations next Friday. The event will include bouncy castles, slides, face painting, food trucks, lapel pins, a welcome to country, a visit from the Minister, a helicopter, student performances and many familiar faces.

If any parents are able to help with setting up or packing away, this would be greatly appreciated.

Book Lists

In recent years, Ziggies Educational Supplies has been Goollelal's suggested provider for 'personal items for student use' (often known as 'book lists'). Ziggies has recently been sold to Champion Education, so this year's lists will be distributed under Champion's letterhead. As in previous years, parents may purchase these items from any provider that they choose.

Early Close for Reporting (2022)

The School Board has approved 'suspension of the school timetable' from 11:45 am on Wednesday 30 March 2022 for reporting to parents. On this day, parents will be able to book short parent-teacher interviews to obtain an update on their child's progress during Term 1. While students will not be required to attend from 11:45 am onwards, supervision will be provided for any students who do remain on site.

Edu-Dance Concert

Students have commenced learning their routines for the Edu-Dance concert, which will be held at 5 pm on Wednesday 8 December 2021. Book awards for students in Years 1 – 5 will be presented at the same time, based on the following criteria:

- One award will be for 'sharing, caring and learning' and the other will be for 'academic endeavour'.
- The academic endeavour award will be for the child who has shown the most growth in their learning during the year.

Book Awards

The Year 6 graduation ceremony will be held at 9 am on Friday 10 December in the assembly hall. Book awards will also be provided at this ceremony for a range of academic and civic and achievements.

Parent feedback is requested regarding the idea of providing book award winners (at both the Edu-Dance concert and the graduation ceremony) with a voucher and a bookplate so that they can choose their own book, rather than having one selected by the school.



Communication Streamlining

The MGM Outreach text message communication system has now been implemented to communicate about student absences, and can also be used to communicate with parents in an emergency situation. From next year, the school will replace the current pre-payment system for incursions and excursions with the *Qkr!* online system of online payments and permissions. The Skoolbag app is likely to be retired.

School Review

Our school will be reviewed on Wednesday 3 November. There will be an opportunity for parents to meet with the reviewers. Please let me know if you are interested.

Paul Fuller | **Principal**