Leader’s Report

CANTEEN

We have had our canteen up and running again each Thursday and Friday under the new management of Kym Saunders. It will also be open each Monday as from 16th June however I am still concerned that people are not utilising this service. Despite the new menu with a variety of healthy food options it is still not breaking even and this trend cannot continue.

Please help by supporting our canteen so we can continue to provide this valuable service. Thank you in anticipation!

GATE CHAIN

The chain across the gate has deterred parents using the school car park to drop and collect your children. I appreciate parents who now park in the street thus making the car park area much safer for our students.

WELL DONE

It is always great to hear positive feedback about our students and so I must congratulate our year 1 / 2 students who represented our school so admirably whilst on excursion a couple of weeks ago. They all did the Marion Council Heritage Walk and in fact the council volunteer rang our school to congratulate the students on their behaviour and their attitude. Well done kids!

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Can I please remind parents that school uniform needs to be worn each day. I have noticed a few students out of uniform regularly. We have a number of pre-owned uniform tops that have been lost and not claimed which parents are able to have.

I thank you in anticipation of your support in this matter.
Family Maths Challenge

The Maths Challenge is intended for the family to do together. Talk about the Maths and see how you all solve the problems. Record how you do the challenge and then bring it into school (with name and class) and post it into the Maths Box in the office by next Friday.

We will acknowledge students’ and family efforts in the next newsletter.

Challenge #3 THE JUICE FACTORY

A local orange juice factory produces juice in 4 different sized bottles (250 ml, 500ml, 1 litre and 2 litre). If they produced 100 litres of juice a day, how many of the following bottles could they fill?

a) 2 litre bottles ________
b) 1 litre bottles ________
c) 500 ml bottles ________
d) 250 ml bottles ________

How many 250 ml bottles would it take to fill 5 x 2 litre bottles?

Challenge #2 - Stepping Up

Answer:-
45 cubes would be needed for the steps.

LOST PROPERTY ALERT!!

There are a large number of unnamed clothing items in the lost property at present, particularly good jumpers and jackets. Clothing can be labelled with clothing marker pens, sewn-on labels and iron-on labels. All school clothing needs to be marked - if you need help please ask.

During the rest of this term those students with unlabelled tops will be shown how to label their clothes with marker pens. If you have any concerns please talk to the school.

Performing Arts – Heather Smith

Enza’s & Di’s class watched a cartoon version of A Midsummer Night’s Dream by William Shakespeare.

The story is quite involved but the students did very well sorting out the three story lines and the class discussion was lively. An interesting comment made was, that the fairies should not have interfered, because humans have a right to be self-determinate. (Not the students’ words - their explanation was a bit lengthy.)
In our plays, the juice from the flower creates many other problems.

The juice from this flower made Michael’s nose grow. Farasat and Michael made a short, but very funny play.

In this play Lucus has found a cape of stars to wear as the wizard king. In our DVD of A Midsummer Night’s Dream, Oberon wore a cape of stars.

Performing Arts – Heather Smith
While the older students have been studying Shakespeare the 1 / 2 class has been working on reading and playing music.

They read the music on the interactive white board.

They have to concentrate very hard to keep in time with the CD.

This is what the music looks like on the interactive white board. We have words to help us sing along, there are the names of the notes and then there are the notes. Everyone is really enjoying the work and trying hard. We know ‘Stepping Up’, ‘I Wanna C C C’, ‘Can You Click Your Tongue?’, ‘99 O’clock’, ‘If You’re Happy’, ‘Pudding on the Hill’, ‘Hippopotamus’, ‘The Addams Family’, ‘Rock & Roll All Day’
Reception Music
Most aspects of music can be taught through dance. You have to keep the beat so you can dance at the same time as everyone else. You also have to follow the tempo of the music so you know when to make your feet and hands go fast or slow. The rhythm of the music tells us that sometimes we go fast, then slow, then fast again. The pitch of the music tells us if we need to make high or low shapes. The dynamics of the music tell us if we need to be loud or soft. The rests (pauses) in the music tell us to stop & ‘freeze’ in a shape.

The circle dances we know are:
The Farmer in the Dell, The Deedle Ducks, Here We Go Round The Mulberry Bush, The Seven Steps, The Hokey Pokey, Walking to the Left

Other dances we know are:
The Dinosaur Stomp, The Chicken Dance, Highway No. 1, The Ants Go Marching

Canteen News!
Thanks to our wonderful volunteers, Nicole & Nicola, we are going to be able to extend the hours of operation of the Canteen. With the help of a few more volunteers we may be able to open every day!
If you are able to help out please let myself or the Front Office know.
Volunteering in the canteen is not only fun and rewarding, but also a way to get to know some other parents and carers involved in our school.
Kym
(Canteen Manager)

Home Made Pizzas
Create your own Pizza on a Pita Bread Base
Please check the canteen Menu for options.
Only $3.50

Marion LiFE
Next Community Meal
Tuesday 19th June
CPS CORNER

Last week the lock-down in the city created quite an impact on the South Australian community. The police surrounded a building in the city in order to try to take into custody a man that was in trouble and who had caused trouble in the community. It is very rare that we have such occurrences in Adelaide so many felt most put out by the event. It was tragedy that the event ended as it did with a family losing their husband and father in such circumstances. We are very fortunate that we live in a part of the world where a great system of care has been established that can deal with the aftermath of such incidents - a system of doctors, nurses, police, pastors, counsellors, pastoral carers, funeral directors, teachers, SSO's and a multitude of other professionals. And then, of course, there are the majority of ordinary people in Adelaide that really do care and try to help in whatever way they can. It is a contrast to some of the overseas cities that are highlighted in our TV news bulletins and documentaries where battles rage in the streets and the residents can never feel safe and do not know who to trust. We have children in our school who have come from difficult circumstances. This is a privilege as we can learn to work together to promote the peace that is needed for a better life.

Well my story of the apple last time produced some interesting fruit with similar stories being told such as chewing gum found in coffee cups - UGH!! The apple is still there and I am still pondering the life of whomever it was that put it there. It is becoming a symbol to me of all those kids that play tricks on teachers – the ones that do it for fun and enjoy the teacher's reaction, the ones that do it for fun but then forget that they did it, the ones that do it for fun but are scared of the teacher's reaction, the ones that do it by accident, the ones that do it to get attention, the ones that do it to be mean, the ones that do it because they just don’t care and the ones that are crying out for help and know no other way to ask for help.

I am looking forward to the Year 7 Camp. I wonder what tricks will be played this time!?! Maybe I should take my little apple to show that I am ready for anything!!

Til next time
Karen Tromans
CPSW

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An INVITATION For ABORIGINAL PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND CARERS

TUESDAY 17th June, 2014
11:30am – 2:00pm
Lunch provided
Come along for a chat
Meet other parents
Share ideas to support our kids
Enjoy lunch together
Meet your local Aboriginal Community Education Officer
Meet at the Marion Church of Christ
Corner Alawoona Avenue
& Marion Road, Mitchell Park
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