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Robertstown Primary School Newsletter



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COMING EVENTS

7 th June	Student Free Day
10 th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
12 th June	Special Lunch
17 th June	Parent Club Meeting 9am
17 th June	Governing Council Meeting 7:30pm
20 th June	'Shrek the Musical' at Tanunda
26 th June	'Crazy' Day & Special Lunch
28 th June	Bingo Night at school – 6:30 for a 7pm start
2 nd July	School photos

"If you are positive, you'll see opportunities instead of obstacles."

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We warmly welcome Axel (Yr 1), Racheal (Yr 4) and DJ (Yr 6) to our school. This Friday is a Student Free Day. The teaching staff will be participating in writing moderation with a focus on how we provide feedback to the students in order to move them forward in their writing development. We are working collaboratively with the staff from Wasleys Primary School on this day.

I wanted to share some information about resilience. Some children are resilient by nature – their temperament helps them to be mentally and psychologically tough. We know these kids. They get straight back up after a setback or disappointment. Squabbles in the playground don't faze

them. Unfortunately, not every child has such natural resilience. Research shows that resilience can be nurtured and developed. Resilient children share four basic skill sets: independence, problem-solving, optimism and social connection. We can help coach children through some of their more challenging moments without solving all their problems for them. Promoting resilience is not a single event but a continuous process that requires us to be supportive and empathetic when things don't go their way.

Building resilience – tips for parents

You can promote a lasting sense of resilience in your kids by:

- **Having a positive attitude yourself.** Your attitude as a parent impacts on their ability to bounce back from some of the difficulties they face. Make sure you model a 'you can do it' attitude for your child when he meets some of life's curve balls.
- **Look for teachable moments.** Many kids' learning opportunities are disguised as problems. Make the most of these opportunities so that kids can grow and learn from some of the challenges they face.
- **Make kids active participants in the family.** Active participation in a family develops the self-help, problem-solving and independence skills of kids that are necessary for resilience.
- **Build kids' coping skills.** There are plenty of strategies you can pass on to kids to help them cope when life doesn't go their way, including acceptance or getting away for a while.

Did you know a crocodile can't move its tongue?

Sue Stacey
Principal

Honesty – Respect – Caring – Responsibility - Getting along

SCHOOL PHOTOS - ADVANCE NOTICE

School photos for this year will be taken on Tuesday 2nd July (late morning). Envelopes with the price of the photos will be sent home as soon as we receive them.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Our school will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, so if you shop at Woolworths between Wednesday 1st May and Tuesday 25th June, please collect the stickers and send them in to the school. We also have a collection box at the Robby Post Office and Clare Woolworths.

Welcome: Racheal,
Damien (DJ) and Axel



FROM THE CLASSES:

Reception to Year 2 class

Welcome Axel. We are happy to have you as part of our class.

Last week, we made penguins and recorded a list of penguin facts. We

used the internet to find the answers to our questions – who sits on the eggs? What do they eat? We also watched a Youtube clip which told us information that we added to our lists. We also created pictures of ourselves wearing suitable clothes for Antarctica.

Year 3 to 7 class

There has been great excitement in our class with two new students and we would like to welcome Racheal and DJ (Damien) to our class and their family to our school.

Our topics for the rest of the term are:

- Geography - we are continuing to look at Australia's climate and how this influences the different biomes – we are studying the Rainforest/Tropical Savannah regions.
- History - we will look at the gold rush timeline and how this created change and development in Australia.
- Science – we are studying soils, how mountains are formed and the various rocks and the rock cycle. On Fridays we made pet rocks and then wrote a story about them.
- We are reading Fantastic Mr Fox as our class novel.

This week we planted our winter vegetables, so hopefully by the beginning of next term we should be harvesting many great, green, leafy vegetables.

KIDS FOR CHRIST

The term 2 session of the local children's group "Kids For Christ" (KFC) will be held on Friday 21st June at the St John's school hall in Eudunda. The timeframe is 3.10 pm onward, for a 3.30 pm start, finishing at 5.30 pm. All primary school aged children of the community are invited. Children from Robertstown would still be able to participate by just arriving a little late. Bookings are essential and a completed consent form is required. For enquiries and bookings (by Thursday 20th June) please contact Chris Doecke on 0488 047861.

**Support your local
School by coming along
to a fun night of BINGO.**



**Friday 28th June
At Robertstown Primary School
Eyes down at 7:00 pm**

BYO nibbles. Light supper provided and soft drinks available for sale. \$5 for 15 games of bingo (plus other games).

A Creche will be available but you must contact the School (85 817127) if you wish to use this facility.

For catering purposes, bookings are encouraged (contact the School 85 817127).