Dear students, parents and friends,

At assembly this week I shared with the students about the graphic on one of my sons t-shirts that includes the words “Fall down seven times, stand up eight” which I have since found out (thanks Wikipedia) is an ancient Japanese saying. I thought this advice is particularly relevant to our students, not only for their learning at school but many other aspects of their development and fits in nicely with our CARING values - Achievement and Growth. It is important for students to understand that failure is part of the learning process. Minor setbacks or challenges in our learning will occur but it's our attitude to these events that counts. We can either let them keep us 'down' or we can 'stand up' and try again. Students often fear failure and therefore don't take risks in their learning believing it reflects who they are, but this is when great learning can occur. By embracing, reflecting on and learning from our mistakes and trying again instead of giving up, means that with effort and hard work, we will see Growth in our abilities or ... we will stand up the eighth time.

Yesterday the 3s and 4s students visited the Victorian Institute of Sport in Albert Park to find out from some up and coming elite athletes about what it takes to live an active and healthy lifestyle and the importance of nutrition and physical activity. Travelling by train and tram into the city also added an extra element of excitement to their excursion. Once again, our students represented our school superbly. At next week's assembly one of the VIS athletes will speak to the whole school.

If you haven’t had the chance to have your say on our homework and reporting practices, please fill in the quick 10 question survey found at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/QR3DPPS or on our website. Your thoughts and feedback is appreciated by the school and will help inform future approaches.

Don’t forget the Art Exhibition Grand Opening at 3.30pm on Friday 5th December at Mont De Lancy. If you can help set up beforehand please speak to Therese Myring ASAP. We are also looking for volunteers to help out at the Election Day BBQ on the 29th November. Please contact Vron in the office if you can help out.

Finally, don’t forget to Like our Facebook page to keep up to date with what’s happening in the school. Have a great weekend,

Trevor Vass
Principal

IMPORTANT FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION

Once again our school is on the DEECD’s Bushfire At Risk Register (BARR). This means that on any day that is declared a Code Red Fire Danger Day, the school WILL BE CLOSED and no students, teachers, other staff or visitors are to attend the school. You will be informed in writing of possible Code Red days and again to confirm days of closure. All families are urged to have an up to date Fire Safety Plan for the upcoming fire season.

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OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS

ETHAN D. 2/3M
Ethan’s plan to finish his year on a high is really working! Everyone is noticing his calm, focused, positive attitude, and you couldn’t miss him at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Day. Ethan led our class to the special service and listened respectfully to every speaker. The writing he later completed was simply wonderful, showing how deeply Ethan had thought about the Cenotaph visit. Congratulations Ethan. You are showing us how ready you are for grade 4, and if this term is any indication, it’s going to be a great year for you!

Year 2/3 students leading the school in the “Nude Food Rap”

Congratulations Taleem and Will for your outstanding achievements.

REMEmBRENcE DAY POETRY by 2/3M

Remembrance Day

Dark falls
Gunfire
Hitting the ground
Fall in silence
Sink to the mud
Noises above the ground
Explosions in the sky
Rampage everywhere
Soldiers coming home sick

Flowers
Poppies on your cross for the dead
Going to the Memorial
Having a Minute
Silence
But for the dead
A forever silence
By Ethan D.

The Remembering Poem

The red poppies grow
through the white crosses in rows
to show where the soldiers died
People loved and people didn’t love
How the soldiers fought and fought
People unknown
How the families cried and cried
How did some soldiers survive and some not survive?
People shot cannons
People came home sick from bad gas
that filled the air in Flanders Fields
and later they died
And some people never came home
And we all know someone who went to war
And survived
Remember his name!
Mr. Goodluck!
We don’t ever want to go to war
Because we all know
WAR IS HORRID
By Tara W

REMEMBRANCE DAY

The wind
Blows the poppies
The soldiers defended France
France is safe!
They can keep their land
The land where the poppies still grow
The dead soldiers are gone
The guns stopped firing
The poppies grow
Where the soldiers died
Some soldiers came home
Their families are happy that their sons came back
And some families are sad
Their sons are gone forever
By Tara W

CHRISTMAS WRAPPING PAPER NEEDED

As the festive season is fast approaching, the Fundraising Friends group will be once again giving all the children’s gifts at the Family Christmas Party. Thanks to Amelia and Kathy for organising all this but we do need some donations of Christmas wrapping paper so the presents can be wrapped. We would really appreciate any wrapping paper (even part rolls) that families could donate. Please send along to the office.

For sale
An air-hockey, pool, table tennis, soccer (and more) games table. In good condition with all accessories. $50 Phone Kathy 0419 114 604