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## Striving for Personal Excellence

Week 9 Term 2 16 June 2021

## From the Principal ...

Welcome to Week 9 where the weather has been considerably colder than previous weeks. Please ensure that students are coming to school dressed warmly with jumpers and jackets. It is worth considering purchasing some gloves and a scarf for students to wear on those extra cool mornings.

Thank you to Mr Hamilton, Ms Stojanoska and Mrs Hosking for keeping things running smoothly during Week 7 while I was on 3 days extended leave. We are very fortunate to have amazing leaders across our school.

This Friday we will be welcoming some very special visitors to our school. Two senior executives from the Department of Education are coming to see all of the amazing things we do here at Governor. They have heard about our amazing school and are keen to see first-hand how we operate and what we do. It will be a privilege to share with them our school and some of our initiatives.

Yesterday I had the pleasure of hosting our Term 2 SRL Morning Tea. This is for students who have been identified by their classroom teacher as always following our core school rules. It was wonderful to share some time with these students. The students were then presented with their SRL certificates at yesterday's whole School Assembly.

Last week saw Opera Australia visit our school for an amazing performance of The Barber of Seville. This show has toured Australia and was thoroughly enjoyed by the students here at Governor. It was a unique opportunity to see some extremely talented opera performers right here in our school hall. Congratulations to all of the students who attended the performances throughout the day. The feedback about manners and behavior from the performers was outstanding!







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Newsletter

Congratulations to the Debating Team who won their first debate last week against William Stimson Public School. The topic was 'Why do we need to have the Olympic Games?' Our debaters were the affirmative team and were convincing with their arguments and rebuttals. Well done to the entire team and their coaches Miss Natali and Miss Skoric.





Reports are currently being finalised and printed ready to be sent home this Friday (18 June). Reports provide parents with a detailed snapshot of student achievement and progress over the last two terms. Student reports also provide areas for further development and focus as we head into Semester 2. Please ensure you take the time to read your child's report and discuss their successes, and areas for development, with students. Parent-Teacher interviews will occur throughout Week 10 (Monday 21 June - Thursday 24 June), we anticipate parents have taken the opportunity to book a time.

Congratulations to the students who represented Horsley Zone at the Sydney South West Area Cross Country Carnival last Wednesday. They represented the zone and our school with pride and great sportsmanship. By all accounts they ran great races, achieving fantastic results against the best cross country runners from the region. Our representatives were Emily Barisic in 3BH, Tyler Sajnovic in 4AH, Amina Hakkaoui in 4LF, Vanni Prasad in 3/4KT and Sienna Hosking in 4LF. We are all very proud of your efforts and achievement.



We are excited to share some information about the new exciting projects that will either be completed or commence over the coming weeks here at Governor. Firstly, our new covered seating area will be completed and ready for the start of Term 3. This area is able to seat up to 40 people and will provide an additional outdoor learning space for classes to use as well as a nice area for students at lunch and recess. The last details are being added and finalised over the next week. Over the holidays our new electronic gates will be installed at the Allambie Road carpark and main entrance to our school. This will provide an additional layer of safety and security for our school, students and staff. HOWEVER, the <u>most exciting project</u> is the installation of new play equipment for our infants and primary students. We have worked very closely with the play equipment company since the end of last year to ensure our design is exactly what our students will use and enjoy. This work should commence next term.

In the meantime, see the design drawings below.



Infants Climbing and Play Equipment



Primary Ninja Warrior Equipment

Next Friday is the end of Term 2 and we reach the halfway point of the school year. The weeks are certainly flying by quickly! We hope our students and families have a nice break. School will resume for Term 3 on Tuesday 13 July. Please note the front office will be closed on <u>Monday 12 July</u> as all school staff will be involved in professional learning off site.

Mr Jason Corcoran Principal

## Deputy Principal's Message ...

I can't believe that there are only two weeks left of Term 2, 2021. Our Kindergarten students are almost half way through their first year of school.

Last week, Opera Australia performed, 'The Barber of Seville'. It was a wonderful experience for all the students who attended the incursion. Opera is a dramatic art form in which actors sing or speak their parts to the accompaniment of instruments. It's not every day that we are able to see a performance of such calibre at school.



Today, Jo Dooner, Get Reading Right consultant, will be providing our community with a valuable workshop on the importance of reading. After our first Community Forum, it was identified that it can often be difficult for working parents to attend these valuable sessions. For this reason, the workshop will be held from 5:00pm - 6:00pm.

Tomorrow, our School Parliament is holding a fundraiser called Beanies for Brain Cancer. Students are encouraged to wear a beanie to school and bring in some coins to create a coin line. All coins from each class will be donated to the Mark Hughes Brain Cancer Foundation.

Parent/teacher interviews will take place next week. These interviews are an important part of your child's education and provide you with the opportunity to



discuss your child's achievements and areas of improvement with their teacher. You will receive your child's Semester One Report on Friday 18th June. This will give you the opportunity to read through their report and prepare any questions that you would like to discuss with your child's teacher. If you are unable to attend the interview, please contact the office.

Good luck to all of the students who will attend PSSA on Friday.

I hope all of our students, parents/carers and teachers have a relaxing and safe holiday. Children return to school on Tuesday 13 July.

Ms Biljana Stojanoska Relieving Deputy Principal



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