September 2014

**Dates to remember:**
- Friday 5th September — Father’s Day Stall
- Friday 12th September — 2015 Foundation Transition Session
- Friday 12th to Thursday 18th September — Book Fair
- Wednesday 17th September — Stomp Dance Company
- Friday 19th September — Tabloid Sports (Footy colours), Fun Food Day, Last Day of Term 3 — 2:30pm Finish
- Monday 6th October — First Day of Term 4
- Monday 6th October — 2015 Foundation Parent Information Night 6:30pm to 8pm

**Mathematics**
We have been working hard with new maths concepts this term. Our focus over the last two weeks has been on Place Value. Students have been working with concrete materials and a place value mat, investigating ones, tens and some extending to hundreds and thousands.
This week we are focusing on further exploration of ordering numbers, using the number line.

**Literacy**
Over the last couple of weeks we have been investigating Information Reports in our Literacy sessions. As an introduction to the genre, we brainstormed all the different types of text that surround us; books, posters, signs, labels, etc. The students discovered how much of it is designed to give us information. From there we have focused on texts that inform (and entertain) us by providing interesting and sometimes amazing facts about the world around us.
We are now writing our own and aim to publish them as class or take home books...

**Inquiry Topic**
Foundation students have been exploring how and why natural factors and human activities affect their lives. Our focus—Affects of rubbish in the environment (man made), at school and beyond. Where does rubbish end and its impact on our waterways and sea creatures. Students have created either a whole class collage or individual sea scapes.

**Money**
Please send canteen money in a purse, wallet, snap lock bag etc...
Teachers cannot be responsible for money.

**Purple Day**
On Tuesday, 2nd September, Foundation students had lots of fun with their Level 5 buddies celebrating Purple Day. Level 6 students did a fantastic job organising and running Purple Day, in honour of The Alannah and Madeline Foundation, which helps make kids feel safe around schools.

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Fun with place value mats.

The Foundation Team