Zone Cross Country Carnival

Last Friday, 14 of our students represented Dora Creek at the Westlakes PSSA Zone Cross Country Carnival at Rathmines. This followed the qualifying event held at our school athletics carnival in March.

Ms Bretreger commented that our students were fantastic, ran their hearts out and enjoyed the bushland course alongside the Rathmines waterfront. Conditions were perfect for running and our students who have been practising in the playground and at LakeMac parkrun performed exceptionally well. Well done to Ebony, Cooper, Elke, Che, Tiana, India, William, Nevaeh, Hayden, Daniel, Luke, Kody, Milan and Tom for representing our school in the excellent manner they did and wearing our uniform with pride. Congratulations to Elke and Hayden who are off to the Regional Cross Country in Newcastle this Friday.

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Rookys Workshop

Yesterday, Year 6 students combined with their counterparts from Wangi Wangi Public School to take part in a transition program organised and funded by the Morisset High School network of public schools. Students were offered the opportunity to participate in a workshop, ably and enthusiastically led by Idris from REACH, that aimed to instil in our students some important values and ideas that will assist them in developing positive relationships with their peers; both now and in the future. This workshop, which was one of the first steps towards enabling Dora Creek Students to build relationships with other students across our school management group before reaching high school, gave Year 6 the opportunity to do some dancing, have a laugh and also share a bit about themselves with others; a process which we enjoyed immensely.

Mrs M Warham
Principal

Creating a Climate for Growth and Harmony
Hello everyone, I hope that the sudden cold weather is not hitting you all too hard. We are all back in full swing at the high school as we reach the end of week 2. Our Girls Bill Turner Cup Team had a great first round win last week. At the Zone X-Country Carnival we had 15 students qualify for the Regional Carnival, despite some organisational issues on the day. This is a great effort by our team! A year 8 student has also been successful in gaining a position on the regional Squash Team, an amazing effort. Both of our year 7 and 8 enrichment classes have begun their Gifted and Talented Projects for 2014 and staff are very excited by some of the initial ideas and the enthusiasm of the group. I am looking forward to the development of the projects over the coming terms.

Finally, our library is nearing the end of its upgrade. We have had the library repainted, re-shelved, new computer banks and benches installed as well as a brand new touch screen, replacing an interactive white board. Finally, next week I am working in Cooranbong Primary School's Canteen. This is a new initiative where myself, along with the Deputy Principals, will be donating one day per canteen within all of our partner primary schools, as a way of working closer within our partner schools and closer with our community. I am looking forward to my day next Tuesday!

Take care and have a great week!

Mark Snedden
Morisset High Principal

**P&C / CANTEEN NEWS**

- The next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday May 13, 2014 at 7.00pm in the school library. **ALL WELCOME** to come and be involved.

- **Wednesday June 4 - Meal Deal 1 - $5.50**
  - (funds raised from this meal deal supporting Stewart House accommodation)
  - Spaghetti Bolognaise OR Bangers, Mash and Gravy
  - Cupcake and Drink
  - Mr Snedden (Morisset High Principal) at work in the canteen on this day

- **Meal Deal 2 - Friday June 27 - last day term**
  - (funds raised from this meal deal supporting Red Nose Day (SIDS) Approximately $5.00
  - Barbecue - Sausage Roll / Sandwich OR Hot Chicken Roll
  - Home-made Biscuit, Lolly Bag and Drink

- **Stewart House Reminder**
  - Don’t forget to send in the donation envelope for this school charity. Please fill in your name, address and phone number and return the envelope with at least a $2.00 donation by May 19, 2013 to be in the draw for a $4,000 Family Holiday.

- **Canteen Roster**
  - Friday May 9 Barb D/Terri
  - Wednesday May 14 Nikki
  - Friday May 16 Belinda/

**Morisset High School News**

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