Dear Parents/Caregivers

This week I am pondering learner dispositions and progression of learning. People have the ability to be successful but why is it that some people are highly successful and some are not?

Current research will tell us that it has a lot to do with the dispositions and mindset of the learner. Carol Dweck, a psychology researcher in mindset, has this model to challenge our thinking.

A Fixed mindset vs a Growth mindset.

Her research is telling us that people are not born successful rather that they become successful through effort and perseverance.

We are encouraging all students to have a growth mindset to progress and for all families to promote effort and perseverance as a means to achieve it.

Mardi McClintock   Tamarin Condon
Principal          Deputy Principal

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION DATA OF SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY

We have commenced the annual nationally consistent collection of data on school students with disability (‘the Collection’).

This will involve the collection of: the number of students receiving adjustments to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students; the level of adjustment provided to students; and where known, the student’s type of disability.

Under the Collection model the definition of disability is broad and includes learning difficulties, health and mental health conditions.

If your child is identified for inclusion in the Collection, the required information about your child will be included in this year’s data collection.

If you have any questions about the data collection, please contact Tamarin Condon on 87259955.

IMPORTANT DATES

27th June  5pm Grounds Committee Meeting
4th July    6pm Finance Meeting
           7pm Governing Council Meeting
5th July    2.30pm Learning Centre Assembly
7th July    12pm Junior Primary Assembly

CANTEEN NEWS

Special Lunch day is Tuesday June 21st

**Special lunch order notes sent home did not have a sauce option, please indicate on your order if you require sauce.

Special Lunch orders have to be in by 1pm Friday June 17th.

PCW NEWS

During lunchtime on Mondays and Tuesdays I have popped an Art Trolley outside the year 3 classroom for use during lunchtimes for students to do art/drawing.

It’s wonderful to watch the children interacting with their friends and creating all types of art together. They have had so much fun. Please remember to put away your crayons, sticky tape & scissors back into the trolley when you have finished with them.

This week I have been sharing with some children about being resilient. When a child can adapt to events and changes that happen within their day by making healthy decisions, they cope better with events and hardships.

Pam
Pastoral Care Worker

LOST CONTAINERS

Have you lost a container? We have lots of containers in the front office that have been collected from all around the school if you are missing any please come in and have a look.

Mulga Street Primary School
BANK DETAILS

PLEASE NOTE THAT AS OF OCTOBER 2015 THE SCHOOL’S NEW BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS FOR DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENTS HAVE CHANGED

Account Name: Mulga Street Primary School Council Inc
Account Number: 10362131
Bank: Commonwealth Bank of Australia
BSB: 065-504

COMMUNITY NEWS

Keep your kids smiling
SA Dental Service

Have you received a letter from Medicare about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule? The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, pre-schoolers and most children under 18 at the School Dental Service.

Please call now for an appointment.
Mount Gambier Dental Clinic
Phone: 8721 1633

SCHOOL CROSSING

Please be vigilant about pedestrians and particularly children using the school crossing on Mulga Street.

We have had several near misses reported to the front office.

Motorists do have to give way to pedestrians using this crossing.

Safety, Trust, Respect
**COUNSELLOR’S CORNER**

**Cold & Flu Prevention**

That dreaded time of year again when the school calls because your child is in the front office with a headache and a runny nose. Most times we as adults also feel the effects of a cold coming on and begin feeling a little tired. I have just put down a few thoughts and ideas to help people get through the cold and flu season.

**Washing your hands**
Every so often during the day wash or use a form of sanitizer to wash your hands. Running lots of water over your hands will dilute any germs and send them down the drain.

**Keep your hands off**
Touching your nose and your eyes may hurt you. Those are the most common places for germs to get in.

**Go to bed**
Getting enough sleep on a normal basis can be difficult, you need more z’s when you’re feeling under the weather. When you are tired, your body is not fighting as hard, so try 8 to 10 hours a night.

**Build up with healthy food**
You may think it’s hard to eat healthy on a regular basis, but eating plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables supports your immune system. That is a lot easier than fighting off the flu.

**Work out**
Regular exercise contributes to your overall wellness. Exercising regularly enhances your immune function.

**Stay away**
Keep your distance from people displaying symptoms like sneezing and coughing. While that strategy may seem obvious, it applies to more than just parents and classmates. Stay away from sick friends and family when possible.

**Already sick?**
Here are four things you can do to get better...

**Take some alone time**
This is when you will want to shy away from company. Stay home and take care of yourself.

**Watch your symptoms**
If it goes from simple sniffles to raging sickness, contact your doctor. Your cold may have escalated to the flu.

**Drink, drink, drink**
Dehydration can easily occur. If you are unable to keep fluids down, contact your GP.

**Disposal**
Dispose of all used tissues. As easy as it is to grab whatever is on the couch or bedside table (including crumpled Kleenex), don’t, you may be furthering the cold.

Good Luck and Stay Well,
James Egan (School Counsellor)

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**DOGS ON OVAL**

Please do not allow dogs on our school oval/grounds.
We have noticed a considerable amount of dog faeces on the grassed areas. This poses a health risk to our students and makes it difficult for them to play on the oval.
Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

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**SPARE CLOTHES**

The school is in need of spare undies and socks for our younger students who need to change after ‘accidents’.

If any families have small socks & undies that are in good condition they no longer need, we would really appreciate you donating them to the school.
They can be left at the Front Office. Thank you

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**SCHOOL DRESS CODE**

With the onset of cold weather there has been a noticeable increase in the number of children coming to school not wearing the required dress code.

School beanies, to wear during the colder terms 2 and 3, are available for purchase from the front office as we remind families that hoodies are not to be worn to school and children will be asked to remove them.

Thank you for your support.

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Safety, Trust, Respect
Throughout this term the students of LC14 have been studying the novel Blueback by Australian author Tim Winton.

These are a selection of the learning tasks and activities we have been doing associated with the book.

At the end of every chapter we have been given questions and tasks to do. Tim Winton is a very descriptive author and always goes into depth. He is an inspiration for me and my writing. I would recommend the book to everyone.

Bonnie Camm – Year 6

It has been a great book. Every chapter has an interesting event. Tim Winton is very descriptive. The words he uses make the book more interesting – they make you want to read on.

Kaylee Howard – Year 7

Blueback is becoming an interesting story. I’m starting to think that Abel’s father and Blueback have a connection.

Petah Wood – Year 6

. . . As for us: We must un-centre our minds from ourselves; We must unhumanise our views a little, and become confident as the rock and ocean that we were made from.

ROBINSON JEFFERS, ‘Carmel Point’