Wednesday, 16th August 2017 Dear Families,

NEWSLETTER – Week 5, Term 3

Assisted School Transport (taxis) family responsibilities

Families have an obligation to comply with the following procedures;

- Be ready 15 minutes before the pickup and drop off time.
- Wait at the agreed spot outside of your home.
- Help your child get into the vehicle, ensure your child is safely seated with seat belts done up according to the road rules.
- Be present at the drop off point to meet the vehicle.
- Call the driver and school if your child is going to be absent from school.

AST are now reviewing transport arrangements every 2 years. Families who don't complete these reviews or comply with the above procedures may have their taxi travel suspended.

Sausage sizzle & jelly cups fundraiser

During week 3 we raised \$145.45 to buy children in Mozambique ice creams! Thank you to Room 5 for running the BBQ and to the school community for your support.



Participation in NAPLAN

Most students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9 are expected to participate in NAPLAN tests and schools should not exert influence on parents to withdraw their child from the tests. Adjustments can be provided for students with disability to enable them to access the tests on an equivalent basis as students without disability, and should be discussed with your child's school prior to the tests.

Some students with significant intellectual disability and/or those with significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests may be exempted from sitting the online tests. Please talk to our NAPLAN coordinator Emma Christie for more information.

Integration with St Xavier's PS

Students from Rooms 1 and 2 have started their fortnight visit to St Xavier's PS for integration in activities for fine motor and gross motor skills. The school's Year 6 students thoroughly look forward to assisting our students in using their resources which facilitates mutual understanding between both schools' and students.



African experience

Last Wednesday Ms Teri visited with her sons Toby and Sean to present her annual 'African Experience'. We also had students from St Mary's College join in the fun who were visiting the school as part of their childcare studies.



DATES

Small schools athletics carnival – 14th August (K – 6) Life Education Van visit – 24th August Speakfest – 31st August at Carroll PS from 9:15am Footy trip – 3rd September Disability Expo – 14th September in Tamworth Golf day – Sunday 17th September Dance eisteddfod – GS Kidd students on Friday 22nd September Sporting Schools – Tennis 27th July – 14th September

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STAR OF THE WEEK



Alex Rodstrom – enthusiastic participation during the African Experience performance