NEWSLETTER
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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What another busy week for learning here at Dakabin. Students have been involved in some amazing and exciting activities. Our Prep students have been exploring the wonders of water play with some very colourful activity boards built by our own “Scotty Cam” in Miss Jeppesen; some of our older students were involved in “Fundamentals”, a day organised by students at Pine Rivers High School with a range of mentally challenging games, trivia and activities. I was also lucky to see some great work from students here at school in LOTE, stimulus writing and reading.

Next week many of our Year 6/7 students are heading off to the Marooon Outdoor Education Centre for a range of challenging and adventurous activities. Make sure you pack the warm clothes as it is predicted to be quite cold. Thanks to Mrs Betts, Ms Pearson, Mr Hart and Chappy Josh for their work on camp.

On a sad note, on behalf of the school community I want to extend our deepest sympathies to Mrs Noela Somerville, teacher of Year 1B, whose mother passed away recently.

Our sports days are fast approaching and our 10 – 13 years students having been jumping, running and ‘putting’ as hard as they can over the last two weeks in their House trials. Those selected children will compete in the field events finals on Monday 23rdJune, our 800m runners will have their races on Tuesday morning and on Thursday there will be the sprint races, Tug-of-War and relays. Tuesday is also the big day for our Prep – 9 years students as they will be having a BIG sports / activities day. They will start with sprint races from 9.30 – 10.30, a picnic lunch on the oval, followed by games and activities on the oval and then finish the day with some under 8’s activities with their class teacher. Hopefully the weather will play along and we can have a great week.

Have a great week!

Tony Mcnee
Acting Deputy Principal

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Report Cards sent home
Friday 20th June (Yr 6/7 Students and 5ACE will receive their reports Monday 23rdJune)

Chappy’s Chat

Next week, I have the privilege of attending camp with our Senior students. This means I will not be at school next week. It also means I will only be here on Thursday in the final week of term, as I make up a day at my other school. If there are any urgent matters during this time, please contact me through the office.

Chappy’s Quote of the Week: “You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough” (Mae West). One of the most popular sayings among young people at the moment is “YOLO” (you only live once). It’s often used as a way of excusing crazy spur-of-the-moment choices - do what you want, when you want, how you want, and who cares what effects it has on others, as long as you enjoy the moment.

There’s nothing wrong with enjoying life and having “YOLO” moments. I’m heading off on another ski trip in the holidays with my wife - while we’re young and don’t have kids, why not! But living a life of “YOLO” simply doesn’t work. There has to be a balance. For me, I spend my school terms working hard for two reasons - to meet the needs of the school community, and to earn money for my family. Then I can have my “YOLO” moment in the snow! Think about the choices you’re making today. How are they affecting others? Be responsible. Choose wisely. And then have a ton of fun!

Chappy Josh ☺
Dakabin State High School

Enrolments:
For Year 7 and 8, 2015 opened Monday 24th March, 2014.

Interviews are conducted only on Wednesdays and Thursdays after 9:30am.

Twilight interviews will also be offered on 5th – 7th August, last interview at 7pm.

Contact the school administration to book your interview on 3491 5444.

Monthly Junior Secondary Newsletters will be sent to all registered families during semester 2 with information regarding Year 7 and 8 Camp, uniforms, stationary lists, SRS fees and invoices, transition and orientation.

Transition:
For Year 7 and 8, 2015 Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th November – meet at the flagpole in your primary uniform at 8:30am.

Orientation:
For Year 7 and 8, 2015 - Monday 1st December – meet at the flagpole in your primary uniform at 8:30am.

Parent Information Session:
Monday 1st December 3pm – 4pm – join us in the library for a coffee and meet the staff.

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Nihongo Notes
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