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SCHOOL VICE CAPTAIN’S MESSAGE FROM LIAM AND ELLA

This week was very busy week. We had Shrove Tuesday where we ate yummy pancakes. Thank you parents for making them for us! We also had a School Swimming Carnival on Friday. Go Mackillop and Michael!!

TERM 1 ASSEMBLY ROSTER - FRIDAY 8.40am

Plan ahead this term so you can see your child perform.

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UNIFORM: FOCUS ON FOOTWEAR

Correct footwear is black school shoes with ankle high white socks. On Bluearth and Sports Days correct footwear is sports shoes with ankle high white socks.

1. IF YOUR CHILD IS WEARING INCORRECT UNIFORM PLEASE SEND A NOTE WITH THEM TO SCHOOL.

2. SPORT SHOES ARE NOT TO BE WORN ON NON SPORTS DAYS WITHOUT A NOTE FROM HOME.

Please remind your child to wear correct footwear. Notes will be sent home for repeat offenders.

P&F News. We will again be holding a Portrait Fundraiser 15th & 16th March. See attached brochure for details.

REMINDER: 2 x TISSUE BOXES FOR CLASSES

Keep bringing in the tissues. Thanks for those families who already have sent their 2 boxes of tissues to school use in classes this year. Teachers will tick you off the list.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Happy birthday to the following people:
Miranda – 22nd February
Molly - 24th February