Dear Families,

We have had another busy and exciting week of learning at Franklin.

Performance
Many thanks to Lorenza who organised the Mr Huff performance on Wednesday as part of our Book Week/Literacy Numeracy Week celebrations. The children spoke about how funny many moments of the performance was, but also of the underlying message around the steps you could take if you were feeling sad in the playground. The performance also supports the social and emotional learning all students at Franklin do through the Friendly Schools Plus Program.

Disco
The P & C are organising the School Disco to celebrate the fourth birthday of our fabulous school. Please note, the disco is for the students of Franklin. DJ Cliff will be our host for the evening. The students always enjoy seeing Cliff at this event.

Year 2 Swimming
Year 2 Aqua Safe Swimming Program notes were given to students on Friday. Please note that registration for the program must be done on the website provided. You can also pay for the program online.
School Photographs

School photos will be taken on Monday 12 September and Thursday 15 September. We ask that you ensure that your child is at school at 9 am on the day their photo will be taken so they do not miss out on their class photo.

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Galleries of Learning

All families are invited to join us to visit P-2 classrooms at our 2016 Galleries of Learning Event on

Tuesday 20th September from 4-6 pm for Monday Tuesday preschoolers and K-2 and on

Wednesday 21 September for Thursday Friday preschoolers from 4-5.30 pm

We look forward to seeing you there.

Have a great weekend!
Robyn
In Preschool the students have been creating visual art through a variety of mediums. Acrylics were used to paint still life paintings of a bowl of fruit. To create their paintings of planets, the students rolled marbles through paint and then construct their planet using the technique of collage. Their spectacular winter mural was a collaborative art work using collage and water paints.

Our Kindergarten students were enthusiastic in their response to NAIDOC Week and created a gallery of artworks ranging from rainbow snakes, sand paintings and collages.

To complement their learning in English students drew pictures to support their understanding of the fairy tale Jack and the Beanstalk.
Visual Art at FECS

The walls in Year One are awash with stunning artwork with an Australian theme. There are sketches of kangaroos as well as vibrant oil pastels inspired by the famous indigenous Australian artist Albert Namatjira.

“Landscapes are pictures of big land”

“We drew Uluru and trees and rocks using oil pastels.”

To support their writing, of What am I? students used oil pastel on paper and created webs and spiders in various shape, sizes and colour. These were mounted on black cardboard for displaying.

The students in Year 2 have also been busy creating fabulous works of art.

In their salt water pictures they have used strong colours to create a sense of the blueness of the sea.

Using a variety of materials the students produced self-portraits. These collages show an amazing resemblance to their artists! And the Monet inspired waterlily paintings show the students have thought about the composition and the colours needed to create an inspiring work of art.
Child Development

Have a think about if your 5 year old can....

- Use a knife to spread
- Zip/unzip zippers
- Tie overhand knot
- Dress and undress independently
- Be independent with toileting
- Can connect a series of dots spaced 1cm apart to create picture
- Trace around own hand, and trace templates of a square and triangle
- Draw a face with at least 3 recognisable parts
- Copy their first name although letters can be large, not correctly formed or reversed
- Accurately cut a large circle and square by holding and turning paper
- Play utilising themes never experienced (e.g. pirates, travelling to space)
- Cooperate and negotiate during play

These are all things that children should be able to do at 5 years old. If you have any concerns about your child’s development, please discuss this with your child’s teacher.

The Child Development Service provides assessment, referral, information and linkages for children 0-6 years where there are concerns relating to their development.

The Service also provides Autism assessment for children aged up to 12 years. Some services are offered for children 0-6 years who are not eligible for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). All services are FREE.

If you have any concerns about your child’s development please discuss this with your child’s teacher.

You can contact the ACT Child Development Service on 6205 1246

Wishing all Dads a very Happy Father’s Day!!

Happy Fathers day

You hold my hand
and show me the world...
Celebrating Ganesh Chaturthi

What is Ganesh Chaturthi?
Ganesh Chaturthi is the Hindu festival which observes the birthday of Lord Ganesha. The festival falls on the Hindu month of Bhaadrapada (mid August - mid September). The festival lasts for ten days and ends on the fourteenth day of the waxing moon period.

How is it celebrated?
Many weeks or months before Ganesh Chaturthi, sculptors start making life-sized clay models of the idol. Many idols of varying sizes and colours adorn the streets. They are placed on pedestals under temporary pandals or mandaps.

The Ganesha idols are decorated with garlands and lights, fruits and flowers are offered.

Celebrations at home
Simple clay models of Lord Ganesha are also available in the markets. Even to this day, traditional and orthodox families make these clay statues at home.

Flowers and durva grass or arukampul are used during the pooja along with chanting of mantras.

Modak, a steamed preparation made using rice flour dumpling stuffed with jaggery, grated coconut and dry fruits is offered to Lord Ganesha on this special day. Laddu, paayasam are other delicacies made on this occasion and are offered along with the modak.

Festivities conclude
As per traditions followed in different states and different families, the celebrations come to an end after 1, 3, 5, 7, or 11 days. By the end of the celebration, the idol is taken to a large water body for immersion. Usually, there is a long procession involved in taking the huge idols to the lake, river, or sea. People dance, sing, and celebrate during this procession. Now-a-days, due to environmental reasons, families immerse the clay statue inside a bucket of water and let it disintegrate.
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