Hi everyone…

WOW!!! We love school!! The 2017 Prep class enjoyed their transition session this morning. They had a range of activities to choose from, along with a walk around the school and a visit to the library. The Prep room looked particularly inviting due to the brand new furniture which arrived yesterday. Jo Beattie & Fiona Carson worked hard with a team of students and Heather Foster to make sure the rooms were all ready to go for this morning. THANK YOU to APPA who allocated the funds to pay for this furniture from their fundraising this year. Feel free to have a look in Rooms 1-4.

AT LAST!! Grade 6 students had ‘first dibs’ at the new play equipment fixture this week. We have waited for some time for this to be erected, and it has been well-used so far. Some of our hardworking APPA team were able to be present for the ribbon-cutting on Monday.

STUDENT REPORTS: End-of-year student reports will be issued during the last full week of school. They will be available through your Compass log-in. If you are unable to access the internet, or you would prefer a hard copy of the report, please contact Nicole or Julie at the office in the next couple of weeks. We will print hard copies on request and send them home on 15th December. If you have misplaced or forgotten your Compass log-in details, Nicole or Julie can provide these for you. It will be much more difficult to get a hard copy if you have not requested one before 11th December.

CSEF APPLICATIONS 2017: If you hold a Health Care card that has an expiry date in, or after January 2017, you can lodge your CSEF application between now and Book Collection Day (25th January 2017). These forms will be processed by the school. Eligible students will have $125 credited to their 2017 account to be used to subsidise or pay for excursions, camps, swimming & gymnastics programs next year.

MORE GROUNDS WORKS: Tomorrow, a team of workmen will start refurbishing the BBQ rotunda to replace some timbers and to paint the poles and woodwork; giving it a spruce up to match the veranda.

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY DONATIONS: We have used up the funds donated by parents and family businesses to purchase the platters of fruit provided to our junior school each week. There are many benefits gained from this shared ‘brain food’. If you or your business would like to sponsor a $40 fruit box, we would be able to continue the program for the rest of the year. Please give Nicole or me a call, or drop your sponsorship into the office. THANK YOU to the Carson family who provided this week’s platters.

AND FINALLY… Our Helpers’ Morning Tea will be on Wed. 7th December. Invitations will be sent home with children, to our much-appreciated volunteers. Keep an eye out in your child’s bag.

Wendy Larcombe

**Upcoming Events**

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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
The Appin Park Community congratulates you. Students will be awarded their certificates at Friday’s Assembly

PC  Logan Webb for having such a great attitude towards his ten pin bowling. Logan tried his very best and was supportive of his teammates.

P/1B  Abbey Mayer Young for the improvement she made throughout our ten pin bowling sessions. She also displayed a fantastic attitude toward her team mates. Well done, Abbey!

1/2E  Ned James for being a friendly classroom member. He is polite and listens carefully to others during discussion times. Well done, Ned.

2R  Grace Weimer for always trying her best and being a great help in the classroom.

3/4G  Lizzie Moffat for successfully progressing through all stages of counting in her NFA. A clear indication that hard work pays off. Great job, Lizzie!

3/4S  James Thewlis for his clever comments during our discussions about chance experiments.

3/4V  Harry Bannon for the persistence he demonstrated when completing his on-demand tests. Harry’s effort and determination were reflected in his excellent results. Well done!

5K  Glenn Gratton for the excellent ideas and effort he displayed in reading groups and the great expression he used when acting. Well done, Glenn.

5S  Ryan Brereton for the determination he showed while sitting his online tests. Ryan set a goal to improve and smashed it. Awesome work, Ryan!

6G  Taylor Marshall for her wonderful descriptive and funny recounts of her time at Appin Park Primary School. We have loved reading Taylor’s written work for her graduation scrapbook and can’t wait to see the final product.

APPIN STAR AWARD
Flynn Twyford for the positive attitude he brings to school each day. He consistently tries his best and is a wonderful role model to those around him. Thank you for being you, Flynn!.

Corey Petersen for always trying very hard to do his best work and for having a positive attitude towards his learning.

Artist of the Week
Tayah Martens for her fantastic Christmas printing and for using her initiative when cleaning up. It’s great having you in the art room, Tayah.

Fruit Roster 25th November
Lisa Bell & Karen McIntosh

Slushies are available at the canteen every Wednesday until sold out. $2 each

APPRA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
Donations are needed for the annual Christmas Raffle to be drawn at Family Night on 13th December. Items can be left at the office.

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♦ Tell us if your child is going to be away
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**Christmas Craft Market**

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