

# EVERGLADE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The term rolls on, and as always there are several things happening. Some things are notified on Class Dojo, while others are found in the school newsletter, or in a notice posted on HERO. It's important to make sure that you have both apps on your phone, and that you are checking them regularly.

It's a good idea to set them up for push notifications. That will tell you when a message has come through.

This Friday we are acknowledging Pink Shirt Day. This is focussed on the 'Anti–Bullying Week' Promotion. Inside this newsletter is a bit more about Bullying, which we think you will find useful information.



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### **Visiting Performers**

Each year we arrange four Visiting Performer events. These are 'shows' presented by professional performers. They may be storytellers, actors, drummers, musicians and so on.

Most of our families choose to pay the VP Charge with their stationery at the start of the year. Others choose to 'pay as you go.' This means that as each show comes up, you decide whether you would like your child to attend and pay for that one show only. There is a higher cost per show for this, and each show is charged at \$8.00 per pupil.

Our first VP show for 2022 is on Thursday 26 May. Here are the details:

## *Vinyl Burns from Kiwi Comedy Ltd. presents an action packed interactive comedy show featuring a tall unicycle, precarious balancing acts, illusions, juggling and magic!*

If you have chosen the Pay As You Go option, we will send you a notice this week, inviting you to select and pay for the Kiwi Comedy performance.

If you got a \$6 refund from 2021 and have chosen the Pay as you Go option this year, the refund will be used for the first show and you will not need a notice to attend on 26 May.

#### Yesterday was Football Day

On Tuesday the 17th of May, two soccer teams participated in a tournament at McLennan Park.

They were enthusiastic and excited to play against other schools.

Team 1 came 3rd in the Premier Division. They had 2 draws, 3 wins and 1 loss.

Team 2 came 4th in Division 2. They had 2 draws, 2 wins and 2 losses.

The students had great sportsmanship, and showed good skills and team work throughout a long day. Congratulations to all those that played and thank you to Ms Petersen and Ms Nathan-Welch for coaching and managing the teams. Thank you also to Mr Fagundes dos Santos for volunteering his time to assist with team coaching and management.

<u>Team 1</u>

Adit Palanisamy Bronson Turu Denzalle Tupu Tuia Farani Faatamala Hazel Greenaway Isabelle Singh Kristian Pal Manaaki Anderson Muqaddam Tarakhil Salman Ahmad

<u> Team 2</u>

Alex Barnett Ashley Grewal Dyon Taranaki Elisha Stevens Ethan Ram Hanna Carisma Javesh Reddy Mario Fagundes Rainal Pillay





### What about Bullying?

Bullying is an unacceptable behaviour. Every school is very clear about this, and incidents of bullying are certainly dealt with at Everglade School.

At the same time, a very big question is : Exactly what is bullying?

Nowadays, we find that much of our thinking is conditioned by the media. It seems that many in the media like to use dramatic language where possible, and as a result we hear the word 'bullying' used much more widely than it should be.

The little graphic below shows a scale of behaviors, and only at the last step can we say that there is bullying.



What this tells us is that before we start to say "bullying" we need to know exactly what has been happening, and how long it has been happening for. To be called bullying, a behaviour must be intentional, and have occurred more than once.

We encourage our families to report incidents of concern, and to get a clear picture of what has happened. This will eliminate the over-use of the bullying word, and deal with matters accordingly



Last day Friday 20 May for Lucky book orders

Next newsletter: Wednesday 25 May

Regards

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John Robinson Principal