This term continues to fly by. There are only three more weeks left and every week is packed with activities and learning. Next week we are holding our annual Volunteer Morning Tea to say a huge thank you to all the parents, grandparents and friends who contribute to the school in so many different ways. Please join us in the library on Monday morning at 9.00am so we can say a heartfelt thank you.

The week keeps rolling with our whole school New Class Visit Day. While our year 7’s are having a Transition Day at Heathfield High School, the rest of the school will be spending the day in their new classes for 2017. They will be joined by up to 15 students from years 1-7 who have enrolled with us for next year. It will be very exciting to get a feel for the new groups of students for next year and so wonderful to see so many new faces at Heathfield Primary.

And if that wasn’t enough, Thursday is our Enterprise Day. It promises to be yet another amazing event with students well under way with their preparation. Please join us if you’re able between 9.30am and 11am. See me to exchange your Australian currency for “Heathfield Dollars”.

Lastly a huge thank you to Maya and her team for the wonderful effort in creating the theme and the costumes for our entry in the Stirling Christmas Pageant. We looked amazing in our red and green (Heathfield Primary and Christmas colours!).

Enterprise Day 2015

Regards, Travis
Year 5/6/7 Everything’s in Threes

Tri-fold Travel Brochures

3 places to go, 3 places to eat, 3 places to stay, 3 sights to see, 3 maps
Last weekend I caught up with some family members I hadn't seen in a long time. Somehow our conversation got around to discussing how brave a couple of my cousins thought I was for allowing my hair to go grey (I prefer “platinum”!). One of my cousins has worked at a high level in the legal profession and was convinced that allowing her hair to go grey naturally would have impacted significantly on her promotion prospects. She genuinely believes that women with grey hair in her profession are perceived as no longer having the energy or intelligence needed for working at senior levels.

It gave me cause to reflect on the importance of the lessons our children gain by the whole concept of Learning Power. Surely the way we tackle learning and completing tasks is much more important than whether we “look the part”. It’s so important that we encourage our children to be the best that they can be and help give them the confidence to resist the social pressure that tells them that appearance is more valuable than skill or experience. Added to that is the importance of encouraging our children (and ourselves!) to counter the shallowness of a culture based on appearance so that more people are given the opportunity to contribute in meaningful ways regardless of how attractive or young they look.

I would like to believe that our children could grow up in a culture that valued them for who they are and what they are capable of achieving regardless of age or appearance. But I guess that means we need to equip them to “be the change”.

Have a great weekend, Cathy

DIARY DATES

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MUSIC THEATRE CAMP 2016 – EVERLASTING

With the end of year and January school holidays looming, award-winning production company Pelican Productions is once again excited to present MTC 2017 – Everlasting. In its thirteenth year, MTC takes the best of the best from Broadway and the West End and presents a music theatre performance like no other. With performers from over 121 schools and universities around the state, the talent is really incredible. It will be starring one of our students Nari Duncan (Hollywood Cast) who would love to see some familiar faces in the audience!

Dates
19/1/2017 – 7.30pm (Disney Cast)
20/1/2017 – 7.30pm (Hollywood Cast)
21/1/2017 – 11.00am (West End Cast),
3.00pm (Disney Cast),
7.30pm (Broadway Cast)
22/1/2017 – 11.00am (Hollywood Cast),
3.00pm (Broadway Cast),
7.30pm (West End Cast)

Venue: Westminster College Theatre, Marion