A wonderful week of Book Week celebrations has been had by everyone. Author and Mum, Bec Sampson provided a special insight to the process of writing a book. Scavenger Hunts opened a world of discovery in the library. Parents and pre-schoolers celebrated at the Little Book Club. Students celebrated the Book Week announcement of the winning book Flight with Where’s Wally at the whole school assembly on Friday.

All students and staff had a lot of fun dressing up as their favourite book character. Parents and Carers were dressing up as their favourite book character. Parents and Carers were dressing up as their favourite book character.

Important dates:
- Every Wednesday Little Book Club in the Library at 9.00 to 10.00am
- 22/8 to 26/8/16 Book Week
- 1/9/16 Fathers Day Stall
- 2/9/16 Adelaide Show Holiday NO SCHOOL
- 5/9/16 and 7/9/16 Nature Play Incursions
- 7/9/2016 Room 1 and 6 Excursion to Monarto Zoo
- 7/9/16 at 6.30pm in Library Digital Strategy Community Forum Everyone invited
- 13/9/16 District Athletics Day
- 13/9/16 and 14/9/2016 Smart Start Program
- 13/9/16 School Council Meeting 7.00pm
- 19/9/16 Science Week begins
- 20/9/Room 13.7 and 13.8 Excursion to Adelaide Zoo
- 21/9/16 Festival of Music
- 22/9/16 Governing Council Training evening workshop for all interested Parents/Carers
- 23/9/16 Science Dress Up Day

OSHC have been spending money this week to purchase new toys and furniture for the OSHC Service. The children now have colourful cushions to rest on, jigsaws to play with and sports equipment to share. Your OSHC fees are being spent on improving the facilities of the service so that your children can have fun being active as well as resting at the end of a busy school day.

To continue to improve our service, Parents and Carers are required to keep up to date with payment of accounts for care. If you have difficulty paying your outstanding account please arrange a payment plan to pay off the debt within 3 months or pay your balance in full asap. Unpaid outstanding accounts will lead to you not being able to make further bookings for your child. See our Director, Harshi to make a plan as soon as possible.

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Online NAPLAN

Leadership News

The digital world is constantly changing. As we progress further and further into the 21st century the skills required by future generations are being redefined as we read. What does this mean for our education system? What does this mean for our community? How is ICT shaping this? Please come and be a part of our Digital Strategy Community Forum, as we begin the process of developing a sustainable plan for the use of digital technologies in our community. We’ll discuss issues such as internet safety, digital citizenship, learning culture and devices of the future. These are big decisions for the future of our school and we need as many voices as possible. We hope to see a wide representation of people to help develop our vision for the future.

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Book Now to avoid disappointment for Vacation Program & School Closure on Friday 2/9/16
Monster Book Sale will continue on Monday.
$1 per book.
Call through the library from 8.30am to 3.00pm.
Last week some of the Year 6/7s took turns to teach each other about their learning in Maths. 2.1 students taught Mrs Stone’s learners about decimals and 2.2 students taught Mrs Stone’s learners about fractions. The students enjoyed being the teacher and were able to communicate their learning clearly to their peers. They took this responsibility very seriously.

Last Thursday it was an Indian Festival Rakhi or Raksha Bandhan which is a festival of a bond between brother and sister, where sisters tie a thread called Rakhi on brother’s wrists to symbolize their bond. The students in Mrs Ireland’s class were able to communicate and understand the significance of the festival.

This term Room 2 are becoming authors of fiction books. During Writers Workshop we have been learning about Narrative writing and the elements of a story. We know that stories have characters, a setting, a problem and a resolution. Our story corner helps us to role play stories and we also write stories in our book making.

We have a new addition to our Nature Play Space – a Mud Kitchen. It has been a star attraction over the last week. Children have enjoyed making mud pies, sandy soups, leafy stir-fries and murky milkshakes, all with utensils and kitchenware to match. It’s amazing to watch the children use their imagination and creativity and learn how playing within nature has so many possibilities. I look forward to our Nature Play incursions that will be held in week 7.

In 13.2, to celebrate the Olympics we held our own games: The Potato Olympics. Students designed their potato boats and then designed events that needed to be measured or scored in different ways. Events included the Big Splash, The Long Roll, The Sprints and Potato Bowling. We did lots of measuring and number work whilst having fun winning medals.

The Coding Club were sharing the Minecraft skins and mods they have made. Students were also working collaboratively on the games they have started making for a mini competition in Scratch animation.

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FINANCE NEWS

SCHOOL FEES ON INSTALMENT PLANS A reminder that if you have entered into an installment plan to pay your school fees, that they need to be paid in full by the end of this term.

SCHOOL CARD APPLICATIONS If you are a low income earner and are planning to apply for School Card this year, please do so at the Finance Office now.

FATHER’S DAY STALL We are holding a Father’s Day Stall on Thursday the 1st of September at Recess and Lunch in the Canteen. Bring your pocket money and don’t forget Grandad!

PEOPLE’S CHOICE COMMUNITY LOTTERY We still have over 30 books not returned to the Finance Office. Books were due back at the end of July. You would have received reminder notices if you haven’t returned your book. Please check your child’s school bag and classroom tray. This is now urgent.

CELEBRATION NIGHT Celebration Night will be held on Thursday the 8th of December. We are trying to source prizes to help raise funds for the school. If you have any items in good condition that you would like to donate for prizes, please drop them into the Finance Office on Tuesdays – Thursdays. We are also planning to hold a cake stall on the night. Stay tuned for further updates.

Wellbeing & Care

Little Book Club

Our Little Book Club here at Plympton Primary is a great place for parents with pre schoolers to meet other parents and carers to share a book with their younger children, meet other parents and carers and have a chat over a coffee. There are books for sale for a gold coin donation that always a great source of enjoyment for children. Karen Tromans our Pastoral Care worker is always on hand to read and share a story with the children.

There are so many benefits from sharing books with our children, not only early language development, but also that wonderful sense of spending quality time with our children.

Little Book Club is every Wednesday from 9:00am in the Library.

Science Technology

Engineering and Maths is happening in Early Years

Jasmine made a world machine. It has a people measurer, world controller, world measurer.

Joyeta and Aadhya have made a rainbow pattern using the magnets. The magnets make the pattern stick together to form a circle. We added triangles to make it into a cat.

Ms Ninos’s class were investigating natural materials as part of their science investigations.

Community News

School Football Results from Sat. 20th August 2016

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