Principal’s report

I am always so thrilled to read our school magazine and often use it for reference when I'm needing information or sharing events or programs with visitors.

Many thoughts come flooding to my mind as I write this report, from the first day the Kindergarten students arrived, to the children who visit me in the office to show their beautiful handwriting, stories or artwork. The magazine gives an indication of many of the wonderful things that have occurred and the people that make our school such a special place.

Just one of the exciting programs implemented this year has been Positive Behaviour for Learning or PBL as it is referred to here at MPS. Through a consistent approach by all staff in rewarding children for abiding by playground and walkway rules, there has been a reduction in incidences of poor behaviour outside the classroom. Children observe the PBL team cooperatively working together and want to behave in a similar way, they actively seek out opportunities to be leaders. How exciting is that!!

When visitors walk into the front office they are delighted to see numerous little named aeroplanes flying from the makeshift clouds, each plane representing a child who has received a wrist band for being either Respectful, Responsible or Enthusiastic. This atmosphere of positivity and encouragement permeates the school, obviously a happy place to be.

The teachers have worked tirelessly throughout the year with a focus on your child’s academic, social and emotional growth, some of which of course can’t be formally assessed. I would like to sincerely thank them for their hard work and dedication and know that when next year comes around they will be doing the same wonderful things with another group.

My sincere thanks to the P&C under the leadership of Helen Vere, who work tirelessly to support the students through fundraising events and working at the school when required. Their generosity enables the children to play on a beautifully grassed playground and have additional equipment and resources in the classrooms.

The year six students progress to High School having had solid preparation. We wish them all the very best and look forward to hearing wonderful things about them in the future.

Have a restful and happy and safe time with your families over the holiday break.

Merry Christmas

Sherree Rosser