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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I long to accomplish a great and noble task, but it is my chief duty to accomplish small tasks as if they were great and noble." Helen Keller

PHASES OF THE PRIMARY SCHOOL DAY



There is much to do and, whether at work or play, there just doesn't seem to be enough hours in a day. Big improvements to the classroom facilities and the playground environs means that active hands and imaginative minds have plenty of sources for inspiration.

Activities range from boisterous playground frolics, physical disciplines and computer techni-sensations. Even the tiniest fingers seem to control the keyboard with veteran skill.



Ms Jackie Seeto (above) applies her best 'School Marm' techniques and literacy lessons become a Djarragun breeze. The day will find a chattering train winding its way to the Dining Hall for a copious filling of fruit and healthy fare. Seraphic voices filter out from the auditorium that will make you search the skies for a glimpse of Cloud 9 passing by.



Intrepid players darting frivolously around the diminished oval or scampering earnestly in the undercover area remind you why seatbelts were designed in the first place. Garrulous faces peer out of the returning bus, triumphant just for the fact of being in it. Yet, the one soul howl of a first day attender reminds everyone that the initiation to a school day is a memory to the heart.

A GAME OF POOL

Swimming lessons at the Gordonvale pool was for everyone. Students and staff of the Primary all ploughed down below the plimsoll line and measured up their buoyancy and mobility in the liquid medium.



Goosebumps are the added extras in this field but most of the faces didn't display any discomfort. There was plenty of splash and boiling water, one could almost expect the rise of the Kraken from its ocean lair.



Ms Leeanne & Ms Monika finally launch a few of the dry docks. Meanwhile (below) Ms Dee has her crew 'full steam ahead'



Reverberating squeals in the undercover venue added extra frequency ripples to the atmosphere and the notion of fun pervaded the scene.

Mr. Virgil organizes 'noodles' and (bottom) peer teaching in action



Mr. Frank (left) warming up with star jumps to get the circulation going.

(Below) Ms Monika encourages the 'wary' to take the plunge.





NAPLAN

National Assessment Plan Literacy and Numeracy

The Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students have been registered for the online NAPLAN Practise Test. Djarragun classes have been modified to give the students intensified lessons to prepare the students for National assessment instruments.

Most of our students face language barriers when coping with mainstream terminology in blanket appraisals such as National assessment literature will present. Hopefully, the concerted efforts in the classroom will help to tune them to the frequency required to interpret, register, process and articulate test-type lingua.

YEAR 10 TRADE

This compact unit could have been more easily described as a melee rather than a class. It has taken almost all of the term to create a semblance of regularity to the sessions but it eventuated. This is the class where spontaneity was a regular visitor and work ethic appeared to be the tourist.

The three girls may well be understudies for the witches of Macbeth. It was at the oddest moments that ever all conjured together at the same time. I'm sure I heard in the background, "When shall we three meet again...?" ...



It comes as something to celebrate when, at a given moment in time, the photographer can capture this rare picture of innocence when two students each are doing with a pencil nothing less than for which it was designed. Normalcy, at last!

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Nic' Drijver is a popular port of call for the students who always love to get themselves totally immersed in the computer lab.

Students were required to create their own cover page for their folders using some of the fabulous features available to them on Pages and other such programmes. In addition, each studied the various components of a computer itself and reconstruct their own designs.



HPE IN THE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Never a dull moment for Mr. Frank van Pamelan. One of his enduring passions is 'proper football' as he would call it.

Soccer amongst the young twinkle

toes is an expanding feature to the College which has a strong tradition with the two Rugby codes. It isn't the sole domain for the boys as the girls show that they can feature with the best of them.



Rudimentary exercises with the ancient skipping rope has learnt to live again and hasn't lost its age-old attraction. Tiny legs scamper with delight under the arch of the sweeping coir challenging to reap them down.



Leg-in-cast or not doesn't stop these leapfrogging ariel moves. The picture doesn't produce the sounds that compound this feverish activity. The undercover area echoes like a subway station.



Ms **Monika Duggan** cranks up the recoil springs in little legs and bodies pounce into the air like popcorn from the fryingpan. Students in the PASS programme, including **Dennah Auda**, lurk on the periphery absorbing he moment and the training strategies.



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