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NEWSLETTER #2

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Term 3

FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MS DARO

Seasonal Greetings and all Welcome back!

Wow, it has been a quite a while since the last time we shared. Despite that I am glad that I see most of you at school. It is always lovely to say good morning and wishing likewise each time you walk in and out of the school gates. We have quite a lot to share with you and before I give the opportunity for the class teachers to inform you about what your children have been doing to date, I have some important announcements and reminders.

1. NEW TERM DATES (ELEVEN WEEKS):

New dates have been finalized due to the school programs disrupted earlier on this term. A week has been added to make this term longer by a week. This means that next term will only be nine weeks. ***This term will now end on Friday 23rd September.

2. TEACHER TRAINEES FROM UNI OF GOROKA:

Three of them arrived on Monday and have been placed in the Play/Preschool section of the school as part of their practical training in order to complete their training as certified early childhood care and education teachers. On Monday, they were already making play-dough with the children.

The school has been equally participating, contributing in the training and learning at the same time with the overall national educational programs with the University of Goroka in the past several years. *Please feel free to say hello to make them feel welcome.

3. TERM THEME "EXPLORING OUR WORLD":

The three sectors of school are in full gear embracing this theme with interesting lessons and practical experiments to compliment their learning experience. They are all coming up with new ideas challenging the

teachers themselves. I shall leave them to tell and show you by themselves in the following pages!

4. PNG 41ST INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER:

There will be no school. The school week will end on Thursday at normal hours. We will dedicate this week to Papua New Guinea. Most learning curves will be on its history, geography, people, governments, local and global relations etc. Parents are asked to contribute to share a story or teach a song or dance or even a creative art. More details later.

5. FATHERS' DAY:

Is coming up in the next weeks and all are anticipating to celebrate Dad's special day!



Grades Class showing off their very own model volcano

With that said, let me now get inside the classrooms for your children's' news section by section.

6. PLAY-PRESCHOOL – MRS KUA & MISS HEAGI:

Hello, once again we would like to welcome you all to read our stories, but first let us thank our heavenly father for his greatness upon our lives every day. Amen.

A. INSIGHTS: This term is very interesting because of our theme, "EXPLORING OUR WORLD!" Children had fun exploring and searching for the things they were helped to learn and understand during lessons and at home. More to do everyday as we continue on with our day to day lessons. Some of the children interviewed on the lessons and things they have learned from weeks 2-5. This is what they've said:

- LEILANI SALAIAU: "I like the topic on solar system because I like the stars and want to know more about the stars and I have a song about the stars that I love singing every day."
- RINDUNGE ZEMING: "I like the topic on animals and the animal that I love is Kangaroos because I like to eat the kangaroo's meat."
- ANDREA TERRY: "I like the topic on Animals because I like the story about the Lion King. When I see the book and hear the story, it makes me happy."

7. PREP-GRADE ONE – MRS MEA:

Hello parents and guardians from us. Another opportunity to share some news. I would like to bring these following points to your attention:

A. Daily activities & lessons: I have seen some of the students who have shown progress during our daily lessons: Jayden Ramatlap, Jamielyn Tripp, Valentine Frank, Braxton Ravu and Philemon Deilala in Prep class. In grade one, Aaron Yamo, and Renee Rambai are doing very well and doing advanced math activities.

B. Daily lunch check: this is a kind reminder to our parents that I do daily lunch checks for the students making sure each child brings lunch to school. The children are reminded not to bring fizzy drinks like Coke, Sprite, Fanta etc, as we all know that it is not healthy for our children. I am therefore encouraging them to bring wa-

- CAMILLIA GOLI: "I like the topic on plants because they give me food to eat."
- AGNES BAWAN: "I like the topic on water because when I am thirsty, I drink water to satisfy my quench."

Generally all the children are working hard and are really enjoying their lessons both in practical and theory.

B. ASSESSMENTS: are ongoing and most students are doing fantastic. We would like to thank all the parents for their continuous support to their children.

C. REMINDER: Please always check your child's bag every afternoon for their homework or assessable task.

D. REQUEST: Please buy 1 X SINGLE CLEAR FOLDER for your child and send it to school for his or her work sheets, homework, etc.

Our lessons will stop on week 7 and assessment evaluation begins week 8 & 9 for reports. We would like to thank all the parents for their continuous support to their children.

Cheers! Mrs Kua and Miss Heagi.

ter, juice, milk or milo for drinks. I hope you as a parent can be able to help me on that issue as I have observed several of our students drinking fizzy drinks almost every day.

C. Discipline: I have conducted two Teacher-Parent Interviews regarding bullying and I would like to kindly ask our parents to continue disciplining your child at home and spending time talking to them about good behaviours when they come to school. As the saying goes learning starts first at home.

D. Costumes: PNG Independence and end of term concert are drawing closer so I would like to remind you to prepare your child's traditional costumes in advance. We will update you more on our next newsletter.

Thank you, Mrs Michelle Mea.

8. THE GRADES – CLUSTER CLASSES – MR MEA:

Greetings and welcome once again to our class insights for this edition of our newsletter.

A. CLASS LESSONS: Our students in the grades have been very busy the last couple of weeks. The grade 1s and 2s were introduced to Fractions of Numbers in their maths lessons, while the senior grades started with Fraction word-problems. Chanel Vele and Grace Kunuma are two students who have shown some good progress so far. We can now calculate fractions of single and double digit numbers.

In our science and social studies lessons this week, we have been looking at Volcanoes. The children were very keen to learn about some volcanic mountains in PNG and some famous volcanoes in the world.

On Thursday 11th August, the children were put into two main groups and we all had great fun working with

clay to create our very own volcano models. A special thank you to Kalane Koke (gr.5) for the clay. Our models are now completed and we will use them in our practical lesson.

I would also like to say thank you to the following students for bringing in some of the household substances that we will need during this practical lessons, namely Rachael Paulisbo, Kelesi & Shiana Waine and Gloria Kunuma. Others are yet to bring in theirs for our experiment on volcanoes.

B. TESTS & ASSESSMENTS: Some tests were conducted in Week 4 and others will follow soon. You shall be notified later however, children should be encouraged to study everyday. This is a positive approach and I believe it will be of great benefit in future.



Making playdoh and learning about water



Brushing teeth after a visit from Colgate



Grades class holding volcanoes from clay

C. LEADERSHIP & DUTIES: All students in our class have been grouped in various areas of duty. These duty areas range from inside and outside the classroom situations. It is an initiative we decided to undertake in order to allow all our students to at least demonstrate leadership skills as well as to learn to be more responsible and caring children.

D. TEACHER-PARENT INTERVIEWS: I will be asking few parents to come in for this very important conference to discuss our children's performances. Notices shall be served at least a week in advance.

Thank you so much. Mr Mea – Head Teacher

9. FRONT DESK REGISTRAR – MRS TIONE:

Dear parents and guardians, time again to share some news. We are into the sixth of the eleventh week of this term and much has been anticipated.

Some of the activities we have been doing with your children including celebrating their birthdays, a healthy visit by the Colgate Palmolive and participating in the National Book Week. Children always enjoy these shared special occasions.

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES: I would like to ask all parents still owing school fees to pay up by the end of this month. You have been given plenty of time to pay up. **Your invoices were issued. Thank you to all those who have paid. Much appreciated.

Library Bags and Uniforms: are available please ensure that your child has them.

Transport/Canteen Services: are available. For details, please see me or call me on office hours.

Late Pick ups: This is K20 per hour after 3pm so be reminded that you are on time to collect your child at 2:30 - 3pm daily from Monday to Thursday and 12:30 - 1pm Friday. *Remember it is already a long day for your baby.

10. THE LIBRARY CORNER – MS KARONA:

Hello everyone. For the past 5 weeks this term has been great. Children have been coming to the library asking to read books during their lunch breaks. Just a little update, but before I do so, I would like to thank all those parents who have been assisting their

children with their reading at home because this has boosted their interest in books. Please keep this good love of reading with your children.

THE NATIONAL BOOK WEEK: The three levels Play-Preschool, Prep/One and Graded Clusters all presented and celebrated in style. All had great time.

Reading: Some children are beginning to blend and pronounce words but only several are beginning to read fluently; namely Paul Ben, Janet Deilala, and Chanel Vele in the Grade Class. In the Prep class are Braxton Ravu, Renee Rambai, Popau Mandui and it is fantastic to see Gerard Raga, Valentine Frank, Jade Guina, Hayden Ramaltap and Isaiah Lavaki are able to blend and pronounce words.

Hopefully I will be able to add more names to my list now that I have started my reading levels program. I would like to encourage all the lovely parents to continue assisting your children with their home-reading.

Thank you. Ms Karona - Librarian



Trainee Teachers from Uni of Goroka



Celebrating book week in the lower sector



Building confidence to speak to the class

I hope that you find our newsletter worthy and interesting with contents. Please kindly take the time to read it in its entirety and note points that are important to remind yourselves of what may be required.

But more importantly that you are happy with how we are taking care of and educating your children at our school.

If you have any interesting ideas, please do not hesitate to communicate with me or the office.

This is our school - The Bava Family School. Thank you all.

Ms Boio Bess Daro, BA, OBE.
School Principal