Term 3  Week 5
11 August 2016

Pipsee Possum’s Top Attenders

Students of the Week

Celebrating our Centenary
29 April 2017
CHAMPIONS READ
(and read and read and read!)

READING COMPREHENSION
COMPREHENSION is understanding the
text we are reading.
The focus comprehension strategy in Year 3 to 6 for this
week (and next) is VISUALISING
VISUALISING is when the reader uses prior knowledge
and experiences to create a mental image of what is hap-
pening in the text, creating images, pictures in the mind of
a ‘movie in your head’.
The reader may use all five senses to make the story come
alive. Reading about a family having a barbecue
at the beach and
imagining the taste of the
snags, and the smell of
the smoke, the sound of
the kids laughing and
feeling of the sand con-
nects the reader to the
story, if they’ve had a
similar experience.
VISUALISING supports
comprehension as readers
create their own mental
images of what they are
reading. By doing this
they feel more connected to the story, enjoy the story
more and understand it more deeply.

VISUALISING is also useful for self-
monitoring. If the ‘movie in your head’
stops, meaning has broken down and
the reader will need to use a strategy
to regain understanding.

SSP (SPEECH SOUND PICS)

POSTER WORK—In our Prep, year 1 and
Year 2 classes the students use the SSP
eraser as part of the Phase 2 routine. There are
six activities involved and students are
able to complete these activities at whatever level they’re
working in. This allows
for students who need
consolidation,
maintenance or extension
to be able to use the
same activity.

Activity 1 involves using
the visual prompts for spelling—no sound pics (letters) are
used. The teacher might ask the students to find an item,
‘boot’. The students will circle the boot, duck hand the
word, then draw lines and numbers for it on their white
board.
Students working at a higher level might choose what to write themselves. If they circle the 'boot' they might say 'the little lady and the red boot'. They would duck hand each word, then draw lines and numbers for each on their white board. This activity helps students to identify the sounds in words and to be able to say how many there are. This is a great activity for learning to spell.

DO YOU KNOW YOUR CHILD's GOALS?
All Thabeban students have goals in:

Learning- reach their next level in SSP / reading
reach the next level in Thabeban 500+

Behaviour- reach gold level on the rainbow steps
earn next 100 care cards

Attendance- 95% (0-2 days away) each term

Teacher and students have been completing goal setting sheets so that every student has an attendance, behaviour and learning goal to aim for the rest of the year. Be sure to ask your child about his/her goals.

ATTENDANCE is 91% and PIPSEE IS WORRIED!
Pipsee Possum is worried that she won’t be handing out the Top Attendees Trophy this week as there may not be any classes to keep her company in the top branches of the attendance tree.

I am so lonely at the top of the attendance tree. Please come to school and join me.

Come on Thabeban. Come to school and make Pipsee happy!

BRING THE HIGH FIVE TO LIFE

It is time to give our High Five a make over.

All Thabeban students have received a blank High Five hand and have been asked to create a new face for this most valuable anti-bullying tool.

Entries are due into the office by Friday 19 August and the winning entry will be used as the new face of the High Five.

Bringing the High Five to Life will help cement these life long strategies with all our children.
DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

Tue 16  Kepnock SHS ACE workshops year 5
Wed 17  Kepnock SHS ACE workshops year 5
            Bunnings visit to plant out gardens
Thu 18  Bunnings visit to plant out gardens
Mon 22  Book Fair commences
Fri 26  NAIDOC celebrations
            Kepnock SHS Indigenous Studies Students visiting
            Author and past Thabeban teacher Gregg Dreise visiting
Wed 31  Centenary Meeting 5:30pm

SEPTEMBER

Fri 02  School Disco 4:30pm

REGULAR EVENTS

Every Monday 2:30pm
Parade in the hall (Everyone is welcome)
Every Tuesday and Friday 8:15 – 8:45am
Chess Club (near tuckshop)
Every Tuesday
Student Banking
Every Thursday 8:30am
Breakfast club
Every Wed, Thu, Fri
Tuckshop is open for lunch (first break only).
Volunteers are always needed. Please help.
Every Fri
Icy cups for sale 50c (Bottom covered area)

BELL TIMES

8:45am  Start of the day
11:00am  First break
11:40am  End of first break
1:30pm  Second break
1:55pm  End of second break
3:00pm  End of the day

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