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FROM THE HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

The Junior School has been a buzz with activity over the past two weeks, with many opportunities for students to learn, participate and grow.

Our Cross Country event was a wonderful example of students striving for personal bests and demonstrating perseverance. Despite the warm weather, students approached the event with enthusiasm and determination. It was also lovely to see so many parents present, cheering on and encouraging our runners. Your support adds greatly to the spirit of these events and is always appreciated.

We also recently held our Parent-Teacher Interviews. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity for families and teachers to partner together in supporting each child's learning and wellbeing. Thank you to the many parents who took the time to meet with teachers and discuss their child's progress.

A few weeks ago we were pleased to welcome police representatives who spoke with both parents and students in Years 1-6 about online safety. Their presentations highlighted the importance of being vigilant when using devices and provided practical strategies to help students remain safe and respectful online. Students were also reminded about the importance of understanding and following the new social media laws.

Our Junior School leaders continue to grow in confidence and responsibility. Students who serve as JAM (Jesus and Me) Leaders recently attended a Junior School Leadership Training Day, where they developed skills that will help them lead and support others within our community.

This week our Year 6 students departed for their two-night excursion to Canberra. This experience provides valuable opportunities for learning about Australia's history, government and national identity. You can read more about their experiences in this week's article.

In the last newsletter I wrote about the benefits of allowing children to learn through making mistakes. Children naturally enjoy trying new things and as adults we can help them by celebrating the journey of discovery rather than focusing only on the final result. With Easter approaching, many families will soon begin thinking about Easter hats and entries for the Eggshibition. What a wonderful opportunity for students to take ownership of their creations! Imagine the sense of pride and learning that comes when children design and make their own entry at home, rather than having it completed by a parent.

I look forward to seeing the creativity, effort and imagination reflected in the student-made Easter hats and egg displays.

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