It gives me great pleasure to announce that Mr Artavilla will be returning to Sunshine Heights Primary School next year. Whilst teaching and learning have continued smoothly during his absence, we have all missed his creative thinking, his visionary ideas and, of course, his exemplary levels of communication with all members of the community.

It is a credit to Mr Artavilla (and the strong community that he has built) that the school has continued to function effectively and efficiently over the last six months. I am sure that I can speak for all students, staff and parents when I say how much we are all looking forward to his return.

Mathematics Assessment

In last week’s newsletter I mentioned the Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment that we use in Reading. This week I would like to share some information about the Mathematics Online Interview.

The Mathematics Online Interview is an assessment targeted at students from Grade Prep to Four. Time spent conducting the one-to-one interview is invaluable in enhancing teachers’ knowledge of an individual student’s mathematical understandings and the strategies they use. Teachers have the flexibility to administer the whole interview, or to focus only on areas that they have been teaching over the last couple of weeks, for example Addition and Subtraction.

Teachers use the results from Mathematics Online in a number of ways. Sometimes teachers administer it at the start of a unit of work, to ascertain what the students already know, which strategies they are using and to highlight gaps in their understanding.
It can also be used at the end of a unit of work so that teachers can see how much students know about these concepts. This is a great way for teachers to examine how effective their teaching has been—a great self-reflection.

Hope everyone has a great week.

Jacinta Goldie
Acting Principal
STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Presentation at Friday at Assembly

Prep:
A  Rizu Shrestha
B  Nicklaus Flores
C  Aryaveer Singh Sandhu
D  Nukutai Ezekiela

One:
A  TBA
B  Roukaya Mesto
C  TBA

Two:
2A  Teresa Nguyen
2B  Takashi Head
2C  Ziad Tutakhil

Three:
A  Kim Ngọc Nguyen
B  Tausi Tausi
3/4A  Ethan Pateras

Four:
A  Yasin Ali

Five:
A  TBA
B  Roghayeh Seyed Abudi

Six:
A  Christopher Huang
B  Vuk Sobot

Multimedia:  James Nguyen
Art:  Nivetha Ranjithkumar
Sport:  TBA
Spanish:  Rihanna Hua
Science:  Thien An Nguyễn

Congratulations Everyone
Great Achievement!
- When you ask a question in Spanish, you need a regular question mark at the end of the question, as well as upside-down question mark at the beginning. For example, the question 'How are you?' is written ¿Cómo estás? And for exclamations, it happens the same, like this, ¡Bravo! Now try, grab a piece of paper and practice writing these new punctuation marks:
  Jorge: ¡Hola!
  Eva: ¡Buenos días!
  Jorge: ¿Cómo estás?
  Eva: Muy bien, ¿y tú?
  Jorge: Muy bien, gracias.

- Diversión (Fun stuff): Choose a Spanish name to use when you’re practicing speaking Spanish. It doesn’t have to be one similar to your real name, in fact, sometimes it is more fun to have a name that is completely different! For example, if your real name is Lindsay, you might like to go by Rosa when you are practicing español at home. Why not to try a short dialogue now? Sit down with a parent or friend and try the short Spanish conversation above.

RELLENAR LOS COLORES:

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Amarillo + Azul = __ r __
Azul + Rojo = V __ __ __
Verde + Azul = M __ __ __
Azul + Amarillo + Rojo = __ __ g __ __