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All students, parents and spectators are welcome to order a BBQ lunch. Please return the attached permission and lunch order form by Friday 6th March.

We require many hands to help run this event to ensure that things run smoothly. If you can help to check off competitor laps, cook a BBQ, help serve hungry visitors or be a jack of all trades, please pass on your willingness to the office staff.

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Twenties Club
Congratulations to the following students who have reached the ‘20 nights’ level of the Twenties Club

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Brigitte Elburg
Lilly Grogan
Bridget Hopper
Hannah Nicholson
Alexander Bauer
Emma Sheridan
Ava Youngberry
Frankie Barwick
Shelby Breeze
Jak Kiepe
Cameron Knecht
Nate Armstrong
Audrey Barwick
Kate Field
Kyna McCulkin
Cameron Mengel
Libby Sheridan
Sam Sheridan
Jacob Torcetti
Amber Walker

Connor Bauer
Georgia Hopkins
Graham Hopper
Ethan McCulkin
Darcy Noller
Tyson Scharf
Bree Wilson
Rolf Burchell-Butcher
Jess Field
Kyle Grogan
Ruby Noller
Scarlet Barwick
Darcy Gorkow
Tom Green
Denzil McCulkin
Jasmine Wilson
Jack Burchell-Butcher
Boyd McDonald
Talisha Stallan
Hannah Torcetti

Twenties Club

Chappy Update
Hey Y’all,
I hope everyone is having a great week so far. I know this week has been interesting for me with Kim and Gideon in Melbourne, Caleb and I have been having a great time on our own!

This year I will be starting the ‘Chappy Challenge’ again. To go into the draw to win prizes, students must not get moved down the ladder for two weeks, and also complete all of their homework. Students who complete the ‘Chappy Challenge’ go into the draw to win a movie voucher but there will be different prizes to win throughout the year, I will draw out the winner on Thursdays at lunch time. Are y’all up for the ‘Chappy Challenge’?

Sincerely,
Matt

Junior Room News

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