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information - news and views - coming events

Term 1 - Week 4 Monday 13th February, 2012

Coming Events

This Week

Mon 13

Yrs 5 & 6 Parent Information evening in the 5/6T classroom at 5.30pm followed by the Yr 6 Planning meeting for 2012 fundraising and the end-of-year Farewell (a note accompanies this newsletter)

Wed 15

Kindy STEPS eye testing- information accompanies this newsletter
Student school banking scheme re-commences for 2012
Yr 1 Parent Information meeting 5.30pm in 1NF classroom.
Yr 2 Parent Information meeting 6pm
P&C meeting 7pm in the staffroom. All families are invited to come along and acquaint themselves with the school 'happenings'.

Thurs 16

Last day for Scholastic Book Club orders

Fri 17

District Swimming Carnival

Next Week

Mon 20

Kindergarten - Year 2 Gymsport commences and will continue every Monday until 26 March.
Sports Uniforms are to be worn on Mondays for these students.

Tues 21

OOSH meeting

Thurs 23

Stage 2 Parent Information meeting

Reminders

☺K - 2 GYMSPORT permission notes and payment -\$30. Spare notes available from the office

☺Yr's 3-6 INTERRELATE permission notes and payment.

BOOK CLUB due Thursday 16 February, please write name & class clearly on orders. Thank you.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon, Wed & Fri - open for recess and lunch
Tues & Thurs - open for lunchtime snacks only

Tuesday	Rebecca Moore Jo Brain
Wednesday	Amanda Taylor
Thursday	Tamara Gardiner Rhiannon Synott
Friday	Sharyn Grant Tammy Reh
Monday	Melinda Scrivener Courtney Clark

Our students and your child
REALLY appreciate your
availability to help in the canteen!

Canteen training will be made available for any interested persons, please express interest at the school office.



Birthdays: Happy Birthday to our students who celebrate their birthdays this week Alex Kotsopoulos, Caitlan Dodd
Najib Matar, Matt Vervoort

Dear Parents, Students and Caregivers,

Well done to all of our competitors at Friday's Annual Swimming Carnival. Despite the wet weather we were able to complete all events, with terrific involvement from all swimmers. Many thanks to our parent helpers who braved the weather and assisted on the day, with a special thank you to Steve and Joy Lawrence who performed life saving duties on the day. We even had Mrs Hayward on board who took time out from her busy "baby schedule" to help out on the day, with Mrs Stone organising from school.

We will have a number of competitors participating at next week's District Carnival, and we wish them all the very best.

Champions of the Carnival are as follows:

Junior Girls: Eloise Taylor
Runner-up: Jade Frankham
Junior Boys: Blake McKay
Runner-up: Carter Russell
11 Yrs Girls: D'arcey Griffiths
Runner-up: Payton Scanlen
11 Yrs Boys: Max Taylor
Runner-up: Jed Ainsworth
Senior Girls: Demi Westwood
Runner-up: Jesse Oyston
Senior Boys: Brock Scrivener
Runner-up: Connor McMullen

Parent/Teacher information meetings have already commenced, with a number of further get togethers planned for this week. Please take the time to come along, meet your child's teacher and gain a better understanding of class programs for the year.

The school has information for Year 6 students who wish to apply as a performing arts student to Wollongong High School.

The final date for applications is early March, so if any student wishes to receive an application package, please contact me at school.

This week we have a number of staff participating in "Climate Clever Savers" environmental education training. This will involve promoting environmental initiatives in the school, with further training planned for later in the year.

I am anticipating that within the next few weeks or so, school communities will get a better

understanding of how public schools will be affected by the Federal Governments' School funding review (Gonski Report), and State Government initiatives with "Local Schools Local Decisions! These could impact upon our future operations, which may include how our school finances operate, changes in staffing practices and include changes to school curriculum (currently underway with National Curriculum initiatives). I would also anticipate media attention to these announcements, and encourage all community members to remain informed.

A reminder that this week, the first P&C meeting will be held at 7pm in the school staffroom. We encourage parents to come along, and make a special welcome to any new parents to our school to be a part of this group. We look forward to see you there.

Regards,
Wayne Thomas
Principal



Thought of the week

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you will land amongst the stars".

Les Brown

Kids Joke:

Question: Why did the banana go to the doctor?
Answer: Because he wasn't peeling well.

Knock Knock
Who's there?
Lettuce
Lettuce who?
Lettuce in, it's cold outside.

Brain Teaser

You can draw me, fire me or fill me in.
What am I?

General Information

It is very easy for school items to get misplaced or mixed up with someone else's belongings. Some students have misplaced their school jackets (and they have their names written on them).

Please check your child is wearing their own jacket. If you find they are wearing someone else's jacket please return it to the class teacher, office or the student who owns it. Thank you for your assistance.

UNIFORM SHOP – opened 8.30am – 9am every Friday for purchase of new and used uniforms

Gumboot

We have a gumboot in the office which was on loan from 'someone' for the Village Fair's Gumboot Tossing Competition. If you own the boot or know the owner please inform the school office (as we are ready to toss it!)

School Sports Uniform availability update

We are still waiting for size 8 shirts and size 10 shirts and shorts. We apologise for the inconvenience and as soon as they arrive we will let you know.

INSTRUMENT LESSONS- update

Mr Bill Burn is working on the timetable for lessons to start this Wednesday and Friday for new students.

Students will be notified of their lesson time by Tuesday afternoon.

Any questions see Mrs Costello

TECH Waratahs Junior Rugby- Registration Day 11/02/2012 10am Saunders Oval. An information flyer is on our Community Notice Board in the school foyer.

The AFL NSW/ACT is going to be running an After School Auskick program at Figtree Oval for girls and boys aged from 5-12 years old. An information flyer is pinned on our Community Noticeboard in the school foyer.

Orange Ball Tennis- real tennis on a smaller court. Run by Wollongong Uni Tennis Club. Information pinned on Community Noticeboard in school foyer

CatholicCare Wollongong's Family Support Program specialises in the provision of family and relationship education programs. Upcoming course information is available on our Community Noticeboard

ILLAWARRA SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

"Supporting Talented Athletes Through Education"

The Talented Sports Program at Illawarra Sports High School aims to provide an empathetic educational environment whereby academic and sporting achievement are equally valued and pursued.

What doTrent Merrin (St George Illawarra Dragons RL), Corey Gameiro (Fulham FC English Premier League), Ryan Gregson (Holder of 4 Aust. Athletic Records) and Caitlin Foord (Sydney FC, Australian Matilda's) have in common....

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ILLAWARRA SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

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Further enquiries contact the school on:

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BE BRAVE & SHAVE!

Leukaemia Foundation World's Greatest Shave 2012

Daniel Maris, Simon DeMayo and Amin Azam are participating in the World's Greatest Shave this year. They are part of the 'Figtree Heights' team.

On Friday March 16 the boys will be shaving their hair, raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation. You can sponsor the boys at the school office or by logging on to <http://www.worldsgreatestshave.com/> and following the prompts. You are able to sponsor the boys individually or as team 'Figtree Heights'. Donations are tax deductible.

We also need recruits for our team. If you are interested in shaving your hair or even colouring in (with hair spray) at school please see Mrs Thurston.

The school will also hold a CRAZY HAIR DAY the same day (Friday March 16), supporting this very worthwhile cause, details will come later.