Dates for your Diary.

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Message from the Principal.

School Mall Safety
Now that our traffic lights have become operational and no longer supervised, we still have concerns regarding the safety of our students. Several teachers have volunteered to assist students to cross busy Ocean Beach Rd of an afternoon and I thank them for this as it is in addition to their usual playground duties. It has now become more obvious that The School Mall itself is presenting as a danger zone for students. I met with the project managers of the lights yesterday and we are exploring other ways of making the School Mall safer. A huge concern is the number of cars that double park in this area and then call the children to come to the cars, often resulting in them running through the middle of the School Mall. It is far too dangerous for children to move on this roadway and often cars are only looking for their child and are not aware of other children in the vicinity. I have discussed the possibility of an additional pedestrian crossing from the school gate to the footpath on the north side of the mall and that is currently under consideration. We are very aware of the difficulties in picking up and dropping off children but safety must remain our number one priority. Children are to move along the footpaths, not on the road. Please also do not park across our neighbours’ driveways or obstruct their access to their property. Any further developments will be communicated to parents as we become aware of them but it is highly likely that the area will be more regularly scrutinised by both police and council rangers.

Trees
After the recent tragedy which occurred in a Sydney school when a tree limb fell into a playground, all schools have been asked to have tree inspections completed. We had extensive tree lopping done late last year which has taken care of many of the unhealthy trees and branches but have also had an arborist visit last week to inspect the remaining trees. We will be following his recommendations. Some low branches are also being removed to prevent injury.

Farewell to our Crossing Ladies
School staff and P & C representatives joined in a morning tea last Friday to farewell Mrs Kerry and Mrs Sueanne as they completed their last day manning the school crossing. Mr Chris Holstein dropped in with an appreciation certificate for the ladies and one for the school foyer which thanks them for their 14 years of service to the safety of our students.

Mrs K. Whealey
Relieving Principal.

P & C News.

Uniform Shop
Currently, the uniform shop will only open on Fridays from 8:30 – 9:30am. Please note; we do not have EFTPOS facilities. Payment options are cash or cheque.

Student School Banking
School Banking will resume Friday 7 March.
If you would like your child to participate in school banking, please visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank branch or its website www.commbank.com.au for guidance.
Meetings
Come to the AGM on Friday 14 March at 9:15am in the staffroom.
The AGM is when all formal committee positions are vacated and
nominations called to refill the positions for 2014. You need to be a
P&C member to register your interest for a position and to vote for
nominees. Membership costs $2 and is payable before the
beginning of the meeting.
Please come along and join your P&C. It's an opportunity to get to
know other parents, gain a stronger insight into what goes on at
school and have a say/vote in the P&C's activities.
The general meeting for March will immediately follow the AGM.

CANTEEN ROSTER AND NEWS.

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PLEASE NOTE:
Hot Chocolates are back!! - $2.00
This week’s special is: Cereal Cups – 50c

This Week’s Green Meal Deal
Wholemeal Egg & Lettuce S/W
Slinky Apple

Have a healthy and happy week 😊
Amanda and Jacqui – Canteen Ph. No. 4341 7798.

FROM OUR STAFF

Make the rest of this month “Nitbusters Month”.
A notice went home last week regarding head lice. We all need to
act together if we don't want uninvited guests coming home for a
sleepover. Repeat the wet combing method each weekend for the
rest of the month. Treat, if lice are present, and repeat in seven
days.

There has been an outbreak of head lice at many schools.
Head lice are very common so there is no need to be alarmed.
Anyone with a head can catch them – regardless of age, sex,
background or how clean our hair is. As children get their heads
together, just one infested head can infest a whole class. Always
remember prevention is better than cure.

Thank you.
Mr S Collins
Deputy Principal.

Celebrate Harmony Day and Close The Gap
On Thursday 20th March, WWPS will be celebrating Harmony Day
while promoting the Close The Gap strategy.
Harmony Day is a day of cultural respect. The message of Harmony
Day is “Everyone Belongs”. It is a day to celebrate Australia’s
diversity as well as the many different cultures that are part of our
school community.

Close the Gap is a strategy to reduce Indigenous disadvantage
while promoting positive outcomes in health and wellbeing.
Traditionally students and staff choose an important Indigenous
symbol to recreate. This year, we will create a whale, which is a
totem from the local area.

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Next Tuesday 11 March, the Zone Swimming Carnival is on at the
Peninsula Leisure Centre. If you are thinking of attending there is a
$2.90 fee for non-swimmers, paid at the pool.
Swimmers need to be at the pool at 8:30am for a 9am start.
We would like to wish our Zone representatives good luck for the
carnival.
Mr Kendall.

FAMILY MEDICAL & EMERGENCY CONTACTS.
If you have not as yet checked and returned these forms could you
be do so as soon as possible as we need to update our system now.
It is important that you read through these forms thoroughly and
correct any information that may have changed.
We use this information for school emergencies, medical issues etc
and it is extremely important that the information is correct.
Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Jenny Formston and Karen Larsen.

SPECIAL AWARDS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE.
TERM 1 – WEEK 5

Year 6 – Dean
Year 5 – Jasmine, Luke, Hayley
Year 4 – Geoffrey, Holly May,
Year 3 – Jay, Matthew, Braydan
Year 2 – Lorenzo, Reegan, Shyla, Ashton
Year 1 – Peyton, Makayla, Corey
Kindy – Nathaniel, Sienna.

Superstar Awards.
Charlotte, Luke, Noah, Jade, Liam, Jordan, Bailey, Kyрин, Sherece,
Bailey
Bonza Bear – Janaih 1M
Class of the Week – KS
Assembly Behaviour Award: Brodie
Woysies – Jordan and Lucas

TERM 1 – WEEK 5

Come and have a look at the wonderful work our Kindy, Yr1 and Yr2
students have done this week. We are so lucky to have so many
talented little ones in our school.
The lucky students to have their work on display this week are:

KF - Gemma
KH - Izak
KS - Isabella
1A - Dino
1H - Chaysel
1M - Sen
1/2K - Brock
2B - Sophie
2S - Millie
Our PBL focus this week has been the 5 point scale - helping children understand a more extensive range of feelings beyond “happy” and “sad” and encouraging them to “self monitor” their feelings.

**PBL – POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING**

**COMMUNITY NEWS.**

**Coastwide Child and Family Services Playgroups**

Woy Woy South Public School

Mondays 1-2:30pm

Supported Playgroups provide a welcoming, friendly and relaxed environment for families, parents and children to meet and share ideas and experiences. Playgroups are facilitated by Early Childhood professionals and families can gain access to specialist support services.

What happens at a Supported Playgroup?

Supported Playgroup staff are Early Childhood trained professionals with knowledge of child development, health and community services in the region. It is the role of the staff to coordinate, lead and provide appropriate activities for families, whilst providing support and resources to families. Parents remain during the entire playgroup session.

What does it cost to attend a Supported Playgroup?

There is no cost to attend but families are asked to bring a piece of fruit to share for morning tea. A gold coin donation is optional to help cover costs.


**Parenting Groups on the Central Coast.**

Uniting Care Burnside have released a handout listing all parenting groups on the Central Coast. There are many opportunities for parents in need of support for their families. The courses are for families from birth to teens, and also cater for grandparents and single parent families. Many courses are free and if you would like a copy of the handout please contact front office during school hours.

Thank you.

Mr S Collins (Rel. Deputy Principal).

**SING**

Are you interested in learning to sing in a relaxed, enjoyable atmosphere?

J.M.G Vocal and Recording studio offers affordable vocal coaching to students of all ages, and will customise professional and friendly singing lessons, which are flexible, stimulating and developmentally appropriate to suit the individual needs of her students.

J.M.G. Vocal Studio provides an environment where students can learn breathing, posture and vocal techniques, while also gaining confidence and self-esteem.

For more information please call Jess on 0466 533724 or email: jmgvocalstudio@live.com

**Great books for tweens to read**

Favourite books from the Premier’s Reading Challenge team that will inspire kids aged between nine and 13 to read read read!


**Science assignment starters**

Not sure where to go to help your child find out about electricity, natural disasters, the solar system or other science projects? Have a look at our project starters.

Miss King’s Art Group held each Friday at lunchtime are producing interesting works. All students in Years 3-6 are eligible to attend in 4K classroom.