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Message from the Principal.

Staff Development Day
The first day of next term, Monday 28 April is a staff development day where teachers will be involved in professional development across a variety of topics. Our Kindergarten and Year 1 teachers will travelling to Kincumber for part of the day to support their L3 training. L3 (Language, Learning and Literacy) is a program for Kinder and Yr 1 students which provides rich literacy experiences to assist all children to become successful readers and writers. Mr Collins explained some aspects of this program at last week’s P & C meeting. Our Yr 2 – 6 teachers will continue their Focus on Reading (FoR) training, another high profile reading program designed to provide older readers with the skills they need to successfully engage with text. Mrs Lappan will be talking about FoR at the first P & C meeting next term. Teachers will also be exploring the new K-6 Maths syllabus, developing their understanding of the Disability Standards and planning teaching and learning activities for the term ahead. Students return to school on Tuesday 29 April.

Scholastic Australia thank you
Most parents would know of Scholastic Australia from the Bookclub offers that come home. However, they are also very involved with our school and have recently donated a large number of texts to the Stage 3 classes to support the Focus on Reading (FoR) program that is a new and exciting initiative in Reading in Years 2 – 6. All our Yr 2 – 6 staff are training in this program and the donation of much needed books makes the program more interesting and accessible for the students. Thank you again Scholastic Australia.

Swimming medal
Jack has been awarded a PSSA swimming medal for his outstanding performances at the recent regional swimming carnival. Only one medal is awarded per age category and Jack has certainly earned this recognition. Well done Jack.

Student safety
Once again, we are concerned for the safety of children, put at risk by parents driving into the carpark off Waterloo Ave. Parents are reminded that they are not to drive into school carparks to pick up and drop off children. Small children do move about in these areas at times and there is no public access to carparks to help prevent injury. Thank you for helping us to keep your children safe.

Holiday
I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the staff and students for a very hardworking Term 1 which has produced some outstanding results both academically and in the sporting field. School resumes for students on Tuesday 29 April.

Wrist bands
A number of students have asked why they cannot wear coloured bracelets and wrist bands to school. There are a number of reasons for this and all are important. Coloured bands do spoil the appearance of our uniform and, as we are currently receiving compliments from the community as to how well our students are looking and the fact that we are all working hard to improve the way our school is perceived in the wider community, it does matter. Our school uniform policy states - “As part of the uniform code, no jewellery, except watches, one flat ring and studs/sleepers for pierced ears may be worn.” Safety issues also come into play when children are wearing items that can catch on equipment or during play with other children and cause injury. In addition to this, we have a number of children in the school with serious medical conditions. Quite a few of these students have approved “medical bracelets” indicating their condition, emergency treatment and emergency contacts. In an emergency situation, these identifiers could be overlooked if many children are wearing coloured bands on their wrists. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Mrs K. Whealey
Relieving Principal.

P & C NEWS.

Uniform Shop
The uniform shop will open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:30 – 9:30am.
We have a limited supply of long sleeve polo shirts (sizes 4,10,12 &14) for sale at $5 each. This item will not be available as regular stock.
If anyone has unwanted coat hangers at home we could use them here in the uniform shop.

Clarification – caps and hats are $10 each.
Please note; we do not have EFTPOS facilities. Payment options are cash or cheque. Layby is available..
SCHOOL BANKING
We will be doing School Banking again this week. (Friday 11th April). If you have any money you would like to deposit, please give it to your class teacher first thing on Friday morning.

School Disco – Wednesday 9 April
Tickets on sale now!!!! Last chance to buy tickets is tomorrow morning from 8:30-9:30 near the canteen. Permission note needs to be completed and presented in order for you to purchase a ticket. We need volunteers to help sell tickets and be there on the night. If you can help, please email your details to Karen – karen.connaughton76@gmail.com or leave them either at the office or the canteen. Any assistance is greatly appreciated.

Mothers’ Day
The Mothers’ Day stall will be on Thursday 8 May. The P&C has purchased a lovely range of items for you to purchase priced from 50c to $10. To complement stock purchased, donations of clean unused items are appreciated. Your donations may be left with the lovely ladies at the front office or the lovely ladies at the canteen.

EASTER HAT PARADE.
Please don’t forget our fabulous K – Yr 2 Easter Hat Parade, Thursday 10 April. Parents are very welcome to come and watch the parade which commences at 12:30pm and then stay to have lunch with your child at 1pm. The parade will be held under the K – 2 COLA, but if there is inclement weather the parade will be in the hall. We look forward to seeing you, and our fantastic Infants students with their wonderful creations.

Cross Country 2014
As Rogers Park is unavailable, the school will be holding the annual 3-6 cross country race at Woy Woy South on the last day of term, Friday April 11 2014 commencing at 11:30 am. Races will begin with 8 years boys as soon as possible after the end of recess Friday. Parents are invited to join us for the event and watch from the oval, BYO chair and sunhat. Children will be waiting for their races under the COLA by the hall. After their event they will be seated again near the canteen. Please note this is a normal school day and children will be expected to return to class after the event. Please ensure your child is wearing their sports uniform and sports shoes for the event on Friday and have their asthma puffer with them if they require one.
Mr Kendell (Sports Coordinator)

SPECIAL AWARDS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE.
TERM 1 – WEEK 10

Year 6 – Otis, Tasma, Jake
Year 5 – Marcus, Joshua
Year 4 – Dylan, Cora,
Year 3 – Ellah, Liam, Therese, Oscar
Year 2 – Rhys, Isabel, Linda
Year 1 – Samantha, Jace, Luke, Maddie
Kindy – Sallee, Daniel, Cloe.
Superstar Awards.
Blake, Charlotte, Noah, Maegan, Peyton, Milaela, Jessica, Jake, Breanna, Brock, Jack,
Bonza Bear – Brodie 1A
Class of the Week – 1M
Assembly Behaviour Award – Isabella 1/2K

Worker of the Week for K – 2.
TERM 1 – WEEK 10

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:

KS - Letisha
KH - Kaydein
KF - Violet
1A - Dakota
1H - Gemma
1M - Jayanna
1/2K - Tyler
2B - Dylan
2S - Rhys
2Y - Isabel

PBL – POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

WWSPS have been excited by the visit of the PBL superheroes. Captain Respect, Responsibility and Relationships zoomed around the K - 2 and 3 - 6 playground looking for students who demonstrated our key values. Many students were given Bee Awards for showing the correct behaviour. Well done WWS students.

COMMUNITY NEWS.

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.)

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 who 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.

ATTENTION CATHOLICS
The Catholic Parish of Woy Woy Peninsula is about to start a programme to prepare baptised Catholic children who are currently in Year 2 or above and have reached the age of discretion (normally about 7 years of age) for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Parent or guardian who will accompany the child through the programme is required to attend an information night in order to enrol into the Programme on Thursday 1 May, 2014 at 7:30pm, Walter Baker Hall, 100 Blackwall Road, Woy Woy, Enquiries Parish Office 4341 1073

VACATION – SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES.
The Department of Sport and Recreation have provided activities for children to participate in over the holidays. If you are interested, please come and see the ladies in the front office and ask for a copy of the list. Some activities available are: canoe / kayaking, circus skills, surf lifesaving & tennis, just to name a few. For more information Ph. - 4362 3184 or go to the website www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

WOY WOY SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C
SCHOOL UNIFORM SURVEY
SENIOR UNIFORM.
Currently the senior uniform is worn by Year 6 students only and comprises of:
Girls – Plaid skirt with white shirt
Boys – Red polo shirt with grey school pants.
We are seeking feedback from parents/careers on whether to extend the senior uniform to all of Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6)
Please indicate your preference by placing a tick in the appropriate box and return to the P & C box in the canteen by 31 March 2014.

WHO SHOULD WEAR THE SENIOR UNIFORM?
☐ YEAR 6 ONLY
☐ ALL OF STAGE 3 (Yrs 5 & 6).

Name and class ……………………………………………… …………
Last Week in photos ......

Jack Jackson from 6L receives his gold medal from PSSA regional swimming titles. Jack was crowned regional champion at Sydney Aquatic Centre at Homebush.

Skye Fleming from 2S won the Bee Award from K-2 for Responsibility.

Ell Dreyer from 3/4B won the Bee Award from Years 3-6 for Respect.

Max Betts 2Y produced this Easter bunny.

Bryce Herring KH created this colourful Rainbow Serpent.