WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Term 2 – Week 4
Principal: Mr Terry Greedy
Date: 20th May, 2014

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

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Message from the Principal.

4P and 4K were finally able to complete their excursion to Maitland Bay yesterday after being “rained out” on two previous dates. In the sporting arena, the zone Cross Country will be held this Friday at Umina oval and we wish the very best of luck to our team of athletes competing on the day.

Weekly activities

Also this week, we have a number of academic activities in place with our Debating team competing against Pretty Beach Public School today and the Australasian Computer test also on this week. Schools certainly are very busy places these days which also allows for many children to pursue their interests including KH and 2Y who completed some impressive gardening last Friday in the beds adjacent to the Administration block.

Wonderful behaviour Year 1 excursion

It was also wonderful to take a call last week from a resident of Davistown who observed our Year 1 students on their excursion and rang to compliment the school on the children’s excellent behaviour and manners. Well done Year 1.

Facebook

I recently attended a discussion on Cyber-bullying, facilitated by a DEC solicitor from our Legal Branch. She reminded us that Facebook is designed for people over 13 years of age and if children under this age hold a Facebook account, they have given false details (date of birth) in order to sign up. Under this age, it is not considered as appropriate and was not designed cater for this younger age group. It can’t be too strongly stated that children need guidance in how they use social media, parents need to monitor their children’s use and take the time to educate children as to what is and is not acceptable in this forum. Unfortunately, there are also adults who use these programs to gain access to uninformed young people so it is best for you to be a part of your child’s technological life – you may even learn a few shortcuts along the way. A recent Monash University study reported 72.4% of young people surveyed had received unwelcome or unpleasant contact by strangers via their social networking profile. In the same manner that we need to put seat belts on our children to protect them in case of accidents in cars, monitoring your child’s computer use and access is another way to protect them.

Teacher Professional Learning

Our teachers are constantly upgrading their skills to ensure your children are receiving the best possible programs. This week, our Kindergarten and Year 1 teachers will again attend the next phase of training in the L3 Literacy program. All teachers will be taking on the first of three after school sessions of a Behavioural course and staff members from Stage 2 and Stage 3 will be working on the implementation of the new Maths syllabus. In addition, two of our teachers are working with other teachers in the Brisbane Water Learning Community (BWLC) to formulate the implementation of the new Science curriculum. Changes in the content taught in Primary schools requires extensive planning to ensure the transition to the new document is smoothly completed and the BWLC schools are working together to ensure this occurs.

All NSW public schools have been asked to run the following article:

Reforms to P&C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations. Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php

Mrs K. Whealey
Relieving Principal.
SCHOOL BANKING
School Banking is this Friday (23 May) don’t forget to hand your deposit books to your class teacher first thing Friday morning.

Meetings.
The next P & C meeting will Friday 13th June, in the staffroom commencing at 9:30am

CANTEEN ROSTER AND NEWS.

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Please Note:
Volunteers are always needed in the canteen. If you can spare a few hours a month come and see us.

Remember Meal Deal
Orders due on – Wed 21st May
NO OTHER HOT FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THESE DAYS. (Tues 27 & Wed 28 May).

Super Special – on Meal Deal Days Only.
Killer Pythons - $1 each
Sour Straps – 5 for 50c
Only available Tues 27th & Wed 28th.

Amanda and Jacqui – Canteen Ph. No. 4341 7798.

FROM OUR STAFF

Reading Helpers.
Last term our school trialled a Reading Recovery Supplementary Reading Program for our Year 1 students. This program has parent helpers reading the student’s home reader with them at school. The students will also do sound skills revision and some letter writing. Due to circumstances some parent helpers are unable to continue the program this term. Our school is requesting volunteers to continue this program for the rest of the year. If you able to assist for a maximum of 20 mins on any morning of the week please leave your name, contact details and preferred day to help with reading program at the front office. If you require further information please contact Mr Collins or call in at the office at your convenience. Thank you.
Mr S Collins Rel. Deputy Principal

WALGETT CULTURAL & SPORT EXCHANGE.
Dear Parents & Carers,
This is another reminder about the meeting for the Walgett Cultural & Sport Exchange this Friday 23 May 2014. The meeting will held at Woy Woy South Public School at 2:00pm.

The meetings will be held each 2 weeks this term and a final meeting next term before we go on the exchange. The new meeting dates for the exchange (as discussed at our first meeting) are;
Friday 23 May 2014 2:00pm @ Woy Woy South PS
Friday 6 June 2014 2:00pm @ Woy Woy South PS
Friday 20 June 2014 2:00pm @ Woy Woy South PS

HOLIDAYS
Friday 25 July 2014 2:00pm @ Woy Woy South PS
Friday 8 August 2014 2:00pm @ Woy Woy South PS

EXCHANGE MONDAY 11 AUGUST- FRIDAY 15 August 2014.

ENVIROMENTAL GROUP.
Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,
Woy Woy South are holding a working bee in the near future to develop garden beds for our school vegie patch. We are seeking volunteers to assist with the raising of our vegetable beds. We require anyone who is willing to help, particularly fathers, who are strong enough to lift large timbers for the garden beds. Our school is awaiting delivery of the timbers and the date for the working bee will be a Sunday in the coming weeks. Catering will be supplied on the day and if you are available to help us beautify our vegetable garden, please leave your name and number with the admin staff in the front office. If you have any queries please call the school on 43411899.

Yours sincerely,
Miss V Handley (School Environment Management Program)

ZONE CROSS COUNTRY
Last reminder, for all those students who were selected to compete in the Zone Cross Country at Umina Oval (Fri 23rd May). Please return your notes and money ($4.50) to your teachers no later than tomorrow, Wednesday 21 May.

PSSA Classic Shield.
Our boys have been training hard for the Classic Shield knockout comp held at Narara last Friday and although they did not progress into Round 2, they certainly did not disappoint. Up against a solid pack from Woodport Public, the competition was tough right from the get-go and strong Woy Woy South defence didn’t let Woodport out of their own half for the first 5 minutes. It wasn’t until each team went through a few sets that Woodport opened the try count right under the upright’s for an easy conversion.
Woy Woy South answered on the next turnover when Reece Rosewarn expertly drew in 2 Woodport defenders to put a charging Ethan over in the right corner. Ethan unlucky to only just lack the length to convert his try.
Woy Woy South scored again only minutes before half-time when a brilliant series of passes and a fending step from Loga gave him space on the far right and he ran almost the full length of the field, leaving Woodport in his wake and putting Woy Woy South in front 10-6.
After the break Woodport broke through the middle and made it 12-10. Woy Woy South answered quickly when Ernie took a terrific inside pass from Kane and crashed his way across the line in the middle, making it 16 – 12.
The to and fro continued and eventually Woodport ended up in front 20-16, with under two minutes left. The boys rallied together and through sheer determination pushed their way right to the opposition...
10 metre line with 3 tackles left just as the hooter put an end to our Classic Shield campaign.
Special mentions go to Logan for his two try saving tackles as well as Reece and Guy for sheer grit in keeping the boys motivated.
Hold your heads high boys. Great game, terrific effort. We'll learn from it and keep training hard.
Well Done Boys. Mr Pareaux

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Superstar Awards
Isabella, Tamsin, Zane, Jade, Alex.

Bonza Bear – Petyon 1H
Class of the Week – 2Y
Assembly Behaviour Award – Alexxia 1M
Woysie Awards
Caprice 1/2K, Brock 1/2K, Eliza 2B, William 1/2K

PBL – POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING.

***** RESPONSIBILITY *****
Our PBL focus this week is Correct Equipment. To learn, we need to have the right equipment, including pencils, pens, rulers and glue sticks. Wearing our school hat is also part of having the right equipment.
Please ensure your child brings the correct equipment to school every day. By having the right equipment students are able to focus on, participate in and enjoy all learning opportunities.
Justine Kendell

COMMUNITY NEWS.

WOY WOY PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE. – ACTING CLASSES
BRISBANE WATER SECONDARY COLLEGE – WOY WOY CAMPUS. – FROM 3:30PM.
Empower your child by giving them the chance to explore their creativity. Brand new Acting Classes for young people age 8 – 18 in Woy Woy. All classes taught by an international actress with 20 years teaching experience. Vacancies available for half price ($5) trial classes on the 29 May. Please feel free to contact Inga on 0412 512201 or by email Inga.romantsova@gmail.com for further information.

Picture below – Chloe, Year 1 Excursion to Davistown
Yr 1 transport excursion.

All Year 1 were transported by bus to their next form of transport on the excursion. Year 1 are learning about transport for HSIE.

Year 1 waiting patiently at the back of the boat, as the crew made sure everyone was safe on their ferry trip to sunny Davistown.

All of Year 1 had plenty of learning to do as they went on bus, ferry and foot to their destination for their transport excursion last week.