Life Education Van

Life Education Van is an important part of PD/H/PE curriculum. The van will be here from Monday 18th March to Wednesday 3rd April. The entry fee for the van is included in the material costs contribution of $35 per child. The timetable is provided for your information. To ensure your child has access to this program, payment of $35 material costs is required before your child attends.

Wed 20/3 2W, KY & 5/6R
Thur 21/3 2R, 2F, 1L & 5/6L
Mon 25/3 KP & 5/6M
Tues 26/3 1K & KB
Wed 27/3 3M, 1/2G & 5/6G
Thur 28/3 3/4N, 5/6H
Tues 2/4 3F, 1M & 4J
Wed 3/4 1W & 3A

Merchandise will be available for sale each Wednesday and Friday at lunchtimes. If you would like to make a purchase you are required to provide the correct money in an envelope with the item written on the face of the envelope along with your child’s name and class.


K-2 Easter Hat Parade & Sports Carnival

Thursday 28th March
Top Terrace
9.30am

Parents are invited to come along and sit on the hill area of top terrace to get the best view of the children as they parade wearing their Easter Hats. They will then perform a special dance which they have been diligently practising. After the ceremony the children will be placed in groups to commence a series of rotational activities. Parents are welcome to stay and encourage your child. Students have been placed in family groups to allow parents to spectate with ease.

Recess and lunch will be held at 11.25am and 12.45pm respectively. A BBQ will be available at the cost of $2 per sausage sandwich for parents who would like to join their children for lunch.

Easter Raffle

The Easter Raffle is to be drawn Monday 25th March. We still need more donations to make this a great success. Additional tickets are available from the school office.

From Sharon’s Desk

Parents Conferences seemed successful from all the feedback today. Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to make it to the conferences last night. It was great to see parents bring their children as well. This year we changed the timing of the meeting to later in the term so that students were more settled in classes along with teachers having more information available. Parents were also encouraged to bring their children to the meetings to engage in a 3 way style conference to allow for both parents and students to have input. I have included a feedback sheet with this newsletter. I would appreciate your thoughts on the process. Please complete it and return it to your child’s teacher as soon as possible. Mrs McKenzie, Mrs Barnes and Mrs Woodbridge are yet to have their conferences.

Harmony Day will be held this Thursday. A time to celebrate all cultures working together across our planet. Our SRC are heading to the Bangamalanha Centre on Wednesday to work with other school SRC’s to learn different ideas and ways of operations across our school sites.

Wambinya Program has been operating at school since the beginning of 2012. Wambinya is a Wiradjuri word for ‘support’ and funding was provided to support Aboriginal students, who received Level O in areas of literacy and numeracy from the Best Start testing in Kindergarten. The funding provides a focus program delivered by support staff each day. I would like to thank the team of Brenda Lake, Kylie Crawford and Sally Gesler who have worked with 23 students to gain success. Overall thanks to Mrs Luci Gray who coordinated the program and collected the data to show the improvement of our students. At the moment the program is to finish at the end of this term, however I look forward to ongoing support by the Department in some form.

School Development Days will be held at the beginning of Term 2 this year. Schools have been granted an additional day for the implementation of the new Curriculum in Literacy and Numeracy in 2014. Staff Development days will be held on the 29th and 30th April. Further information will be relayed once the final organisation has occurred.

Life Education Van: All students are encouraged to attend Healthy Harold. This year the program also deals with cyber safety and digital citizenship which is very relevant to our students in this technological world.

Have a great week, Cheers Sharon
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Library Newsletter

Book Club. The 2nd issue has been completed & handed out to students. The Clearance Sale Issue was sent home last Friday. It is due no later than 9.20am THIS Friday 22nd March! NO LATE ORDERS ARE ACCEPTED!! Orders must be returned to the Library in an envelope with the student’s name and class clearly marked. Cheques are payable to DSPS P&C. EXACT money only as there are NO CHANGE facilities.

Premier’s Reading Challenge: I can hardly believe it but we have a few students who have completed the 2013 challenge! AMAZING!! Congratulations to Erin Gaydon, Amelia Raidaveta & Sophie Stephens. What a highly motivated group of girls! It is not too late to enter and if you are in Kinder, Year 1 or Year 2, you have already read 5 books from the challenge during Library time. Notes are available from the library. You can also log on to the PRC website https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html to find books that are in the challenge or to keep your reading log online. Remember it is the username and password you use at school to go on the internet.

Singing Workshop

Last Wednesday 92 students from our school choir and drumming group participated in a vocal workshop with Michelle Leonard a world renowned choral director and musician. The children had a great time singing, mimicking, performing body percussion and learning a rap called “The Beat!” Those children who have been successful in gaining a place in the Moorambilla Festival will be contacted early next term.

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Interrelate—Stage 3

Interrelate are providing Stage 3 students with a sausage sizzle lunch this Thursday to celebrate the end of the Interrelate workshops. Media permission forms are required to be returned to class teachers as soon as possible.

Boys Cricket knockout

Yesterday the boys’ team defeated Orana Heights 99 to 65 in the first round of the state knockout. Top scorer was Kieren Moore (not out 23) ably assisted by Kobi Ectell (18) and Captain Ben Wheeler (15). Ethan Willetts snared 4/12, Kobi Ectell 2/17 and Angus Wood 2/9. Kieren Moore topped a great day with 1/6 off 4 overs. Well done boys!

Western Trials - Boy’s Cricket

Best wishes to Ben Wheeler and Ethan Willetts who are vying for western team selections this Friday.

Term 2 Sport

All students in Years 3-6 have chosen their PSSA sports for Term Two. No school sports option is available. Teams have been posted on the school notice board. The cost each week is $3.50 for the bus travel, with the exception of hockey students who pay $5 per week to cover the cost of the turf facilities. All money is to be paid by each Thursday to class teachers. Payment can also be made in a lump sum.

Term 2 sport requirements: Children must abide by the following requirements or they will not take part in sporting activities.

All sports – All children are to remove body piercing attachments of any kind – eg. belly button rings, eyebrow and nose bars and studs. No jewellery or watches.

Soccer – Shinpads are compulsory. Mouthguards are optional, but advisable. All children in both boys and girls competition are to wear joggers only – NO BOOTS.

Rugby League – Mouthguards are compulsory. Shoulder pads and body armour are advisable. Football boots are required.

Reminders

ICAS Competitions All notes for the ICAS competitions, and money, are to be returned to the school office by 22nd March.

Stage 3 Excursion to Sydney

Parents are encouraged to pay by regular instalments. A deposit of $50 and permission note is required by the end of this term to ensure your child’s place on this excursion.

Stewart House envelopes are being issued with today’s newsletter. This organisation assists more than 1800 public school children in need across NSW providing services in eye, dental and health screening. To help out please consider placing $2 in the envelope provided to help this worthwhile cause as well as being placed in the draw to win a family holiday.