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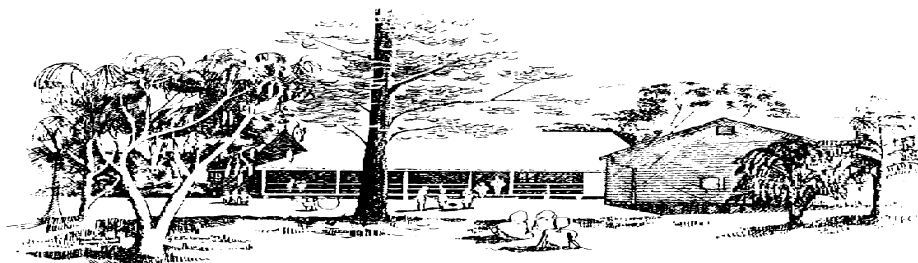
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Chalkboard - Term 3 Week 1 Wednesday 16th July 2014



Friday Assembly

Assembly will commence at 2.30pm this Friday, There will be no class item.

Semester Celebration- Save the date

Don't forget that Semester Celebration is on Thursday 31st July (Week 3). Invitations including more information will be sent home this week.

Year 4/5/6 Sydney Overnight Excursion

Please ensure the \$50 deposit is paid by next Tuesday 22nd July. Thank you to everyone who has already paid their deposit.

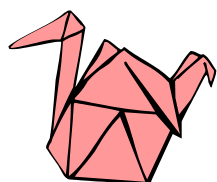
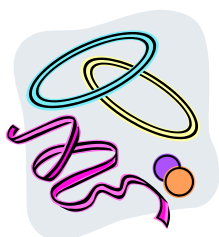
Interest Groups

We are once again holding interest groups (which the students really enjoy) on a Wednesday commencing Week 4 from 2.00pm – 3.00pm.

The groups will be on in Week 4,6,7,8 and 9.

The interest groups are organised and run by parents. Generally if you have an interest yourself in (for example) cooking, sewing, art, knitting, scrapbooking, yoga, dance, foreign language, general craft etc. and would be happy to take a small group for the hour to teach them this interest, please complete the form on page 3. If you would simply like to help someone running an interest group also complete the form.

If costs are incurred, eg, buying of cooking ingredients, these are met by the students in your group.



SYDNEY EXCURSION – Years K,1,2 and 3



Students in the above years have received an information and permission note for the excursion on the 13th August to Darling Harbour Aquarium and Imax Theatre.

When the students have indicated they are going on the excursion by payment and permission note, there will be some seats left over to accommodate parent helpers. If you would be interested in going as a helper, please hand in the Expression of Interest you will find on page 3 of the Chalkboard. The cost to each parent will be between \$20 and \$30.

To be fair to parents who wish to go but have not had the opportunity to go on an excursion with their child previously, please tick the appropriate box.

Next Week's Newsletter

Just a note to say there will be no Newsletter next week.

Library News

Term 3 promises to be an action packed and fun term.

The Book Week Parade will be held on Tuesday 9th September 2014, the second last week of term, so plenty of time to start planning a costume with your child. This year's theme "Connect to Reading" allows lots of scope.

We are also having interest electives beginning week 4. I would like to take a group (year 3-6) for knitting with the aim of making a rug/s to donate to Ronald McDonald house or perhaps a local nursing home.

I would love some helpers and we will need size 8 (4mm) needles and 8 ply yarn. I will start searching op shops—donations would be gratefully received.

Archibull Prize

This is the term for the Archibull! Our Editorial Team will be working hard over the next couple of weeks to get our entry organised.

Next Wednesday and Thursday Bessie our Young Farming Champion will be visiting our gorgeous school and talking with our beautiful students, allowing them to ask questions and launching our journey into finding out more about the Australian Wool Industry.

THANK YOU!!!

A huge thank you to Andy Wilcox who donated his own time and all of the materials to lay a concrete slab in our playground ready for the construction of our Lemonade Lodge, a cubby that was purchased out of the funds raised through the Lemonade Stall challenge so far.

Oz Harvest

Thanks you again for your donations, the big yellow van came and picked up the donations in the holidays.

Free Mulch

You may have noticed the huge pile of mulch in the Parent Retreat area. There is another pile of mulch on the teachers' car park. You are welcome to come and take some mulch. We only have so many gardens that we can fill. Bring a bag or two (or three) and take as much as you need.

Broadmeadow Basketball Competition – Term 3

Those people who are interested in playing in the U10s Rookie basketball competition of a Thursday afternoon please see Ms Deakin for a note.

Touch Football

Wallsend Touch Football competition is starting again this term. If your child is interested in playing this year please see Mr Sparke. At this stage we are seeing how

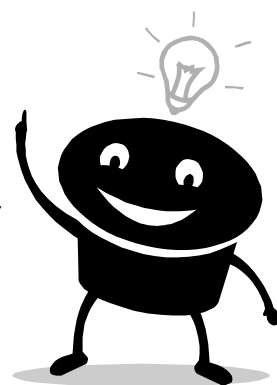
many teams we can form. We are also seeking parents to coach teams. Please let Mr Sparke know asap if you are interested in coaching.

P & C INFORMATION

The P & C would like to hold a fundraising Trivia Night at the Hamilton North Bowling Club in October.

They are holding an organisational meeting at the Bowling Club next Tuesday, 22nd July at 6.00pm.

Please come along with your ideas to help this hardworking committee raise funds for our school. All are very welcome.



Hand Foot and Mouth Disease

During the holidays a case of Hand Foot and Mouth Disease was reported.

This is a mild illness spread by person to person contact. No treatment is usually needed and the best protection is good hygiene.

CLASS ROOM REMINDERS

Class KB

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a great break.

Next week, KB will be starting homework books. They will be handed out on a Monday and need to be returned every Friday to have the following weeks sheet pasted in. The work involved will be some hand writing, spelling words and a small maths activity which relates to work completed in the classroom.

These can be done over the 4 nights; if you have any problems or questions please come and ask.

Class K/1

Art folders will be sent home soon with Term 2 artworks. Please empty and return to school.

100 DAYS Party

On Friday we are officially 100 days smarter!! On Tuesday next week we will be having a 100 days party .

THE CHILDREN ARE ASKED TO DRESS UP AS IF THEY ARE 100 YEARS OLD NEXT TUESDAY.



Homework

This week Year 1 students were tested on sight words and will have individual lists just for this week.

SYDNEY EXCURSION – YEARS K,1,2 AND 3

☐ I would like to attend the excursion to Sydney Aquarium and Imax Theatre on Wednesday, 13th August as a parent helper. I understand travel will be by bus and the cost will be between \$20 and \$30 (per parent).

☐ I have not previously been on an excursion with my child this year.

☐ I have not previously been on an excursion with my child at any time.

I participated as a parent helper on an excursion in _____(year).

Name _____ Parent/Carer Phone No. _____

INTEREST GROUPS

I would be happy to run an interest group in _____(name of interest)

I would be happy to help someone running an interest group in _____(any interest)

Interest groups will be held from 2.00pm – 3.00pm on Wednesdays in weeks 4,6,7,8 and 9.

Name _____(parent/carer) Phone No. _____

SUPPORT A READER

Our wonderful Support-A-Reader (SAR) program is beginning again this term. This 5 minute reading program that operates 3 times per week has proven very successful in supporting students who need a little extra practise at reading. As was the case in Term 1, we are seeking volunteers to be involved in working with children for a few mornings per week (or one or two - depending on what suits you) to assist in delivering this important program. The structure of the program involves children reading short texts to a volunteer promptly at 9am. Each session takes approximately 5 minutes. Usually parents would listen to 1 or 2 children read.

Training for interested parents will be next Tuesday the 22nd of July at 9am in the library. It will take a maximum of 20 minutes. Any parent that completed the training in Term 1 does not need to attend this training session. The actual program will begin in Week 3 (28th July) and finish in Week 10 (last week of term). The days that the program runs will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Please indicate on the slip below the days that you would be willing to help out and return to the office. Thankyou and I look forward to hearing from you. Miss Boyle

SUPPORT A READER

Yes I would like to volunteer to assist with Support A Reader in Term 3.

I am available: (Please Circle) Monday Tuesday Wednesday

I am able/unable to attend the training on Tuesday 22nd of July at 9am.

Signed _____ (parent/carer) Phone No. _____

COMMUNITY NEWS

The City of Newcastle would like to invite you and your families to our National Tree Day event in **Stevenson Park**, meeting **opposite number 60 Gregson Ave, Mayfield West** on **Sunday 27 July 2014**. Planting starts from 9am with a BBQ at 12pm.

National Tree Day is Australia's largest tree planting and nature care event. Each year over 200,000 people take part in National Tree Day events at thousands of sites across the country. Participation in National Tree Day is fun, community-focused and helps address important environmental issues. Planting in Stevenson Park is the third stage of a community urban forest project that aims to turn half a hectare of park into a shady oasis, in the middle of a highly urbanised landscape.

In the years to come these new plants will provide a range of benefits for us all including shade, cleaner air, lower temperatures, longer life of road and footpath pavement, reduced stormwater runoff, habitat for local fauna and improved individual and community health and wellbeing, to name just a few. For more information on this project head to http://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/environment/urban_forest_-_trees/urban_forest_news

On the day please wear appropriate clothing (hat, covered shoes, long sleeved shirt and long pants recommended). Gloves, tools and equipment for planting will be provided. Get involved!

Visit treeday.planetark.org to register or call 4974 2622.

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CANTEEN ROSTER

21st July Sarah Bain Jenny Nichols	22nd July Michelle Morrison Mel Keegan	23rd July Eryn Duck Nicole Bondini-Topic	25th July Glenda Moyle Shelley Brandon
28th July Gillian Donn Xanthe Roxburgh	29th July Michelle Morrison Terrie Newell	30th July Rachel Gaunt Eryn Duck	1st August Jessica Peattie Kim Sweetnam

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday	23rd July	Stage 3 Zone Public Speaking at Shortland Public School 11.00am
Thursday	24th July	Stage 2 Zone Public Speaking at Heaton Public School at 12.30pm.
Friday & Tuesday	25/7 & 29/7	Zone Athletics Carnival
Monday	28th July	P & C Meeting 6.00pm Hamilton Nth Bowling Club
Tuesday	29th July	Early Stage 1 Zone Public Speaking at Mayfield West P.S at 10.20am
Thursday	31st July	Semester Celebration
Thursday	7th August	Water Safety Talks
Wednesday	13th August	K-3 Excursion to Sydney
Monday	18th August	Stage 1 Public Speaking at Plattsburg PS at 11.00am
Thursday	21st August	Cluster Choir Rehearsal
Monday	1st September	P & C Meeting 6.00pm Hamilton Nth Bowling Club
Thursday	4th September	Cluster Choir Concert
Tuesday	9th September	Book Week Parade/ Second hand book sale
Saturday	18th October	P & C Trivia Night.
Tuesday	9th December	Presentation Night – Waratah High School

TOPS NEEDED BY CLASS KB

Mrs Bradley is collecting the tiny lids on the top of the squeeze food containers such as baby foods and yogurts (pictured). Can you please bring any to Mrs Bradley's room. We are planning on making something special for the garden when we get enough.

Perhaps parents could ask their pre school or day care centre etc, if they would be willing to save the tops for us.

