**Principal’s Message**

The term is rapidly disappearing and next week we start with a long weekend with Monday being a public holiday. However, this week we had the Debating Team compete against Mawarra Public School on Monday and today the Stage 2 students have been exploring Sydney as part of their HSIE unit. Tomorrow Year 5 students get the opportunity to taste a day at High School. As part of a Middle School initiative with Camden High School the students get to experience various subjects and a feel for a bigger environment. This is a great initiative as very quickly in year 6 the families have to put in their choices for High School. The day should be a lot of fun and a great experience.

**Medical Notes.**

As part of the planning for excursions and events where students are away from the school for more than a session, the school requires updated medical forms to be provided. This is consistent with the NSW DEC Excursion Policy. Point 1.7 Signed consent forms granting permission for students to participate in excursions and a medical information form are to be obtained from parents or caregivers. We are aware that this can be tedious to complete the form each time the students go out of the school however, we do this to provide the safest experience that we can for all students and with the Department of Education and Communities experience these details are not regularly updated at school front offices. We hope that you understand the importance of this information and that without it we cannot allow students to go on the excursions.

**Athletics Carnival**

The School Athletics carnival is coming up. As usual the students will be travelling to Tahmoor for the event and a canteen will operate at the field. Parents are most welcome to come along and cheer along our athletes in their races. Finals for Long Jump, Shot Put and Discus will also be held at the carnival. All students in year 2-6 received permission notes in Week 4 and most have returned them. If you need another note they are on the school website or you can collect one from the office.

**Life Education**

The Annual Life Education Program begins on Monday 17th June. Life Education is a preventative drug education program for all K - 6 primary children. The aim of the program is to promote health and prevent drug abuse by developing in the children knowledge of, and respect for their body.

**P&C Meeting**

The Next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th June starting at 7pm. The meeting is held in the staff room. Everyone is welcome to attend.
CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 2 – WK 7

Wednesday 12th – 14th June, 2013

2nd Wednesday: Karen Graff, Thi Bennison, Rita Atkins, Caroline Hallett
2nd Thursday: Rita Atkins, Amanda Biffin, Karen Graff
2nd Friday: Deanna Parry, Emma Henderson, Kristy Steain

NB. If you are unable to do your duty day you need to find your own replacement. Phone Rita Atkins as a last resort. Phone numbers cannot be put in the newsletter, a copy of all numbers are available in the Canteen

Lost Property

Could all parents check the names in their children’s hats as there have been many hats lost that have had names clearly marked but don’t get to the lost property basket. In particular Jamie Brown is waiting for his hat to be handed in. There are also LOTS of jumpers in lost property waiting to be claimed.

There’s something FISHY about…. 

Holiday Bible Club 2013

Children in Kindergarten to Year 6 are welcome
When? Wednesday 3rd July 9:30am–12noon & Thursday 4th July 9:30 – 3:30pm
Family Night 5th July 5:30pm – 7:30pm
What? Games, Stories, Craft, Morning Tea
Where? St Luke’s Anglican Hall Merlin St The Oaks
Cost? $5 per child (includes both days)
Registration Forms available 18th June
More information contact Rev Paul Davey 46571163
ST LUKES READING & WRITING FOR KIDS

Due to our present circumstances, we are unavailable for the rest of this year.

We are hoping to accept students again in 2014

Mrs Parker & Mrs Pleskun

Gonski Celebration

Recently our staff had a celebration in the signing of the Gonski program. This was celebrated on Public Education Day Thursday 23rd of May. This means it is the first steps for the children at our school to get a fair deal in the funding arrangement with all other schools.