Principal’s Message

School Concert is just 2 weeks away. For those who have missed the notes in newsletters and information that came home last week, our school puts on a concert on every 2 years which features items from every class and involves all students. Our concert is a highlight of the year and we certainly hope that you will come along on Tuesday 17th September. We will hold a matinee performance at 12.30pm and an evening performance which commences at 6.30pm. All students will be with the classes to perform their items and return for the Finale.

Tickets went on sale on Monday and continue to be on sale in the mornings. Tickets cost $5.00 per person with a limit of 6 tickets per family per concert. There may be spare tickets available after Thursday 12th September. Please get your orders in and I will process them quickly and return your tickets. An order form for tickets is included with this newsletter. Please ensure you state what show you want your tickets for: Matinee or Evening.

Congratulations to the Wollondilly Performing arts students who presented 2 dance and 1 choir item. All up we had over 100 students representing our school. Additionally, Vivian’s artworks were featured on the programs for both nights of the concert.

We have also had students represent the school at the Zone Athletics Carnival this week with fine efforts from our whole team and most pleasing was their behaviour throughout the carnival. Today students went off to compete in the Regional Milo Cup cricket. Having won their zone about 2 weeks ago the students were eager to follow up. I look forward to hearing their results.

Our week continues to be very busy. On Friday, 25 students from Years 3 and 5 will participate in a trial on NAPLAN online. This may well be the future of the NAPLAN assessments. We will wait to see how the students felt about the assessments and what develops from them.

GYMTASTICS
On Thursday, 12th September, parents are invited to view their child(ren) doing Gymtastics. Please find following the session times for each class.

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The Oaks’ Got Talent Ticket Order Form

Child’s name____________________
Class__________________________
Number of tickets required
____(up to 6) @ $5.00 ea = $_______
Matinee______________no. tickets
Evening______________no. tickets
Parent’s Name__________________
Signature_____________________
Date_________________________
CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 3 – WK 9

Wednesday 11th – 13th September, 2013

2nd Wednesday: Karen Graff, Vivien Jones, Rita Atkins
2nd Thursday: Renee Jenkins, Amanda Biffin, Karen Graff
2nd Friday: Emma Henderson, Rochelle Jones, Rita Atkins

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.

LIBRARY NEWS

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Thank you parents for all your assistance with the PRC. Many of you are dedicated to this challenge and it is pleasing to see that we continue to make small gains every year. The PRC close the challenge on 1st September every year. This means that coordinators are locked out from their website. This year I have received a few late entries and I have had to contact the PRC to see if they will accept them. As yet there has been no reply.

Book Fair
Book fair orders should be in the school tomorrow. Almost all orders have been filled. There are many children excited about their orders arriving. It is rewarding to listen to the students talking about books. Orders that have not been filled (there are only a few) will be refunded.

Good Luck
Our school debating team have given up many hours of their own time this year to work on their debating skills. This dedication has paid off as they are competing for the zone championship on Wednesday. Good Luck Karla, Niamh, Ellen and Jacob. It has been a pleasure watching your development this year.

South West Sydney Representative
Congratulations to Jacob McLeod for being selected as our school representative for the South West Sydney Debating Championships. Each school competing in Premier’s Debating Challenge could only nominate one representative. Jacob to his credit has learned all three speaking positions in debating. Good Luck to you Jacob! Your dedication to being a competitive speaker is outstanding.

Mrs Ralston

Pyjama and Onesie Day

Next Tuesday 10th September 2013, Stage 3 students will be holding a Pyjama and Onesie Day. On this day students, K-6, are allowed to attend school wearing either Pyjamas or a Onesie. All students will be asked to make a Gold Coin Donation during the early part of the day. The donations will go towards the Year 6 Farewell and a parting gift from the Year 6 students to The Oaks Public School. Stage 3 look forward to seeing some funky pyjamas and onesies.

Stage 3 and Mr Connor

Premier’s Reading Challenge
The P&C would like to thank The Oaks Village Pharmacy, specifically Donna and Colin for coming on board and sponsoring the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year. They have kindly donated funds to the P&C to purchase books for every student who has completed the challenge in 2013. It is great to have a local business that sees the value in supporting literacy for our school community. Please remember to support our local Pharmacy. We will be inviting Donna and Colin to the school to present each student with their Certificate and book later in the year.

- The Oaks P&C

URGENT REMINDER

No parents or children are to use the staff car park as an entry to school. There have been many instances of children wandering up the driveway unaware of cars entering behind them. Please, only use the entrance in Burragorang Street.
School Banking
Well done to all our consistent savers. For those of you that have sent in a ticket to redeem a reward, you will receive them shortly. Orders have been placed and they should be received at the school in the next week. If you have a Kindergarten child starting school in 2014, a representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be attending the Kinder orientation day on December 5th to assist with forms for School Banking. School Banking is however available to everyone, so if you would like your child to start banking, please let the office know. The Commonwealth bank pays commission to the P&C for all deposits through school banking; these funds go toward resources for the students.

- Jodie Stucki, School Banking Coordinator

Camden High School Equestrian Carnival
Our school has a small team competing this year on Saturday, 7th September. We wish Jessica, Kellen & Amelia well for the day.

RSPCA Cake Stall
The cake stall held at school last Friday raised $306.30. Thank you to everyone who supported it.

Election Day P & C Cake Stall
Our cake stall is this Saturday, Election Day, outside the hall near the canteen. This is a great opportunity to raise much needed funds for our kids, so we need lots of cakes, slices & baked goodies to sell. Please bring them to the office on Friday afternoon by 3.30pm, or you can bring them to our stall on Election Day, no later than 8.30am. Remember to cover with plastic wrap & list all ingredients.
We also need more helpers to sell the cakes on Saturday morning between 8am – 11am (approx..) so if you are able to assist, even for 30 minutes, please leave your name & phone number to the front office.

Lost
A yellow & white Suzuki motorbike was lost in the ‘dirt track’ at school on Monday 26th August. If found, please return to Mrs Gard.
School Holiday Activities
@ your library

‘The Gruffalo’ Storytime

Join us for a fun morning of stories, games, activities and craft based upon ‘The Gruffalo’ by Julia Donaldson. Play ‘Pin the Wart on the Gruffalo’ for a chance to win a prize.

Date: Monday 30th September 2013
Venue: Picton Library
Time: 10:30 am - 12:00 noon
Ages: 5+ (Under 8 yrs must be accompanied by an adult)
Cost: $5.00

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Gaming and Pizza Night

Play Halo ODST (M) on the Xbox 360, Super Smash Bros Brawl (PG) on the Wii, with Pizza, Chips, Lollies and Drinks.

Date: Tuesday 1st October 2013
Venue: Picton Library
Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm (Library closed to public)
Ages: 8+
Cost: $5.00

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Craft Activity - Springtime Crafts

Join us and have some fun making a range of Springtime crafts. Decorate a terracotta pot and plant your very own seedling. Take it home to watch it grow.

Date: Thursday 3rd October 2013
Venue: Picton Library
Time: 10:30 am - 12:00 noon
Ages: 5+ (Under 8 yrs must be accompanied by an adult)
Cost: $5.00

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