Principal’s Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope that your child enjoyed the Disco on Friday afternoon. A special thank you to the P and C members who came to the Disco to provide snacks and drinks for the children. A thank you also to the teachers who stayed well after the end of their working day to keep your children safe. The children’s behaviour clearly demonstrated being safe, being a good learner and being respectful. Their behaviour was excellent. It was a really great afternoon/evening.

We held our voting for the 2015 school leaders last Thursday. The results of the whole school vote are: Kye Pinosa and Travis Lamont are our male school leaders and Quin McVey and Claudia Bush are our female school leaders. While the children will receive their badges on our Celebration of Learning day the school will hold a special get together of the school leaders and their parents early in the New Year. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the children who applied for the school leader positions. I am very proud of all of their efforts. Thank you too, to their parents who supported them through the process.

Our Celebration of Learning is on the 10th December. We will be sending letters to let you know if your child is receiving an award. We are trying very hard to contact you so that you do not miss out on this great occasion for your child at our school.

I will be holding a “Wheelie Good Day” for those students who have received a medallion during the year. Your child’s invitation will be in the mail this week. I very much look forward to having a “Wheelie good time”.

The last parent/principal afternoon tea for the year will be held this Friday. I am looking forward to sharing with those people who have sent in an acceptance. There will not be a whole school assembly this week because of the afternoon tea. If there are awards to give out we will have one next week so that children are getting the awards they have earned.

Sharing the learning journey with you.
Suzanne Crouch
Principal

LAST DAY OF TERM 4 2014

The last day of school for Term 4 for all children will be Wednesday, 17th December 2014.

All children in Years 1 to 6 in 2015 will start back at school on Wednesday 28th January 2015.

The new Kindergarten children will begin school on Monday 2nd February, 2015.
Canteen Roster for Term 4 – WK 9, 2014

Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th December, 2014

1st Wednesday: Vivien Jones, Jenny Wootton, Deuryn Williams
1st Thursday: Tracey Meredith, Rochelle Jones, Kim Pes
1st Friday: Janelle Kelly, Kelly Mathiasch, Julie Redmond

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

Library News

Stocktake
It is that time of the year again when all books need to be returned to the library to be scanned. It is an enormous job but it is made so much easier if books are returned promptly. Many students are disappointed not to be able to borrow now. May I suggest that you take your child to Camden and Picton Libraries. Camden will lend to you if you have a Wollondilly Library card. To access a Wollondilly Library card you need to take proof of address with you (a rates notice or electricity bill). I have library cards with all the libraries (including Campbelltown) as when students reach high school you may need to access books from other libraries as the school runs out of books on the topic quickly. The local high schools like students to access information from a wide variety of sources including books, journals, databases, newspapers etc.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Pleated skirt/skorts with hidden shorts will soon be available to purchase. (Some sizes may not be available until Term 1 next year.)
Royal blue made with spandex and have a zipped pocket.
They can be worn with either the blue polo or sport polo. $16.00

If you would like to help in the Uniform Shop in 2015, once a month for one hour on a Monday morning or a Friday afternoon, please leave your contact details at the front office.

Lost Property
The lost property tubs are overflowing again with lunch box containers, toys, pencil cases etc., plus numerous items of clothing. Please come and check if any of your missing items are there as again we will be disposing of everything at the end of this term.

Year 6 Farewell
As part of our School Welfare Policy you and your child need to be reminded that any child who loses 10 points or has a suspension in Term 4 will be ineligible to attend the farewell.
Christmas Crofternoon

Spend an afternoon creating a variety of Christmas crafts.

Date: Thursday 11th December ‘14
Time: 4.00 - 5.30pm
Where: Picton Library (upstairs)
Age: 5+</n
Under 8 yrs must be accompanied by an adult
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL. Contact Picton Library 466778300

How to join the Summer Reading Program @ Picton Library

1. Register at the desk or on the mobile libraries to collect your registration pack
2. Read, read, read.........and read!
3. Hand in your completed reading logs to enter the prize draw
4. Winners will be notified by phone and presented with their prizes at the presentation on Thursday 12th February 2015

Every 5 books you read gives you an entry into the prize draw.
The more you read, the more chance you have to win!

Program runs from Monday 1st December 2014 to Saturday 31st January 2015.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

“Sharpie” Tie Dried Crafts 8- yrs
Spend a morning creating some tie died crafts using ‘sharpie’ pens, including a t-shirt, a pillowcase, a bag or some wall art.
Date: Thursday 8th January ‘15
Time: 10.30am - 12.00pm
Venue: Picton Library

Mad Hatter’s Tea Party Storytime 5+ yrs
Come along wearing a hat to our very special Tea Party storytime. Stories, games, activities & food. Prize for the most imaginative hat!
Date: Tuesday 30th January ‘15
Time: 10.30am - 12.00pm
Venue: Picton Library

Teen Crafts 12+ yrs
Calling all teens! Half way through the holidays and run out of things to do? We have the answer! Grab your friends and come along to the library to make a range of crafts including a bulletin board.
Date: Thursday 15th January ‘15
Time: 10.30am - 12.00pm
Venue: Picton Library

Gaming & Pizza Night 8+ yrs
Battle your friends playing Halo ODST (M) on the Xbox 360 and Super Smash Bros Brawl (PG) on the Wii. Pizza, chips, lollies and drinks provided.
Date: Tuesday 20th January ‘15
Time: 5.00 - 7.00pm (Library closed to public)
Venue: Picton Library

All activities are $5.00, Under 8 yrs must be accompanied by an adult. Bookings essential. Contact 466778300
Term 4 Week 8
5 Burragorang St, The Oaks.
Phone 46571185  Fax 46571704

Wednesday 26th November, 2014

COMING TO YOU ON:
Friday 2nd January - Friday 9th January
Friday 16th January - Friday 23rd January

GETTING THERE:
Warragamba - Weir St (Neighbourhood Centre) 7:00am
Bargo - (Opposite school) 7:00am
Bargo - Ngunyah St (opposite railway station) 7:30am
Thirniree - Memorial Drive (outside KFC) 8:00am
Thirniree - Thirniree Way (double bus sheds north of roundabout) 8:10am
Redbank - outside Grange’s Funeral Parlour 8:30am
Penrith - Sports hall 8:30am
Douglas Park - outside shop 8:40am
Wilton - outside Wilton Shops 9:00am

CAMEL OF WOLLONGONG NORTH BEACH

COMING HOME*
Pick up from Wollongong North Beach 2:35pm

Alcoona:
Wilton - outside Wilton Shops 3:10pm
Douglas Park - outside shop 3:50pm
Penrith - Sports hall 3:50pm
Redbank - opposite Grange’s Funeral Parlour 5:55pm
Thirniree - Thirniree Way (double bus sheds north of roundabout) 4:00pm
Thirniree - opposite KFC 4:05pm
Bargo - Ngunyah St (opposite railway station) 4:15pm
The Oaks - outside Dee O’Hara 4:15pm
Warragamba - Weir St (Neighbourhood Centre) 5:10pm

* There is only one pick up time from Wollongong Beach in the afternoon. If you miss this pick up you must find your own way home.

NEWS FROM THE LIONS

John Fromm makes it his mission to help out the kids: he talks to them and helps them with their schoolwork. But it is their love of reading that has really inspired him. To help children develop their love of reading, John has set up a school library in the Lions Den at The Oaks State High School. He has been working with the school for many years and is always looking for ways to help the students.

CAMP CAMDEN:

What will you see?
- Camden High School's 21st century facilities
- Student work on display
- School grounds
- Trade Training Centre

Who will you meet?
- Teaching Staff
- Your Student Advisers for 2016
- S.R.C. student guides

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to view your local High School

WOLLONDILLY VACATION CARE

SUMMER PROGRAM
WOLLONDILLY VACATION CARE
56 Menangle Street, Picton
Thursday 18 December – Tuesday 23 December 2014
Monday 5 January – Tuesday 27 January 2015

THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER, 2014

CAMDEN HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT 2015
MONDAY
9th March
7:00 – 9:00PM
SCHOOL HALL

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