Principal’s Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
As you are aware we had to cancel the planned P and C Family Fun Night due to the rain and forecast storms last Friday night. I would like to thank all the members of the P and C who assisted in both planning the evening and also in cancelling so that our families had plenty of time to know what was going on and everyone was kept safe. It was extremely disappointing to have to cancel.

Unfortunately over the weekend our school buildings suffered severe damage from someone throwing bricks through eight of our Stage 3 windows. School security have been alerted and the local Police. I would like to thank our cleaner, General Assistant and wonderful teaching staff who did additional duties to ensure the safety of children and to assist with the cleaning up of this very serious mess. If you have any knowledge of this incident, please ring the local Police. It is a serious issue.

On a happier note I would like to warmly invite parents to attend the activities being held next week. The school Cross Country is on Wednesday the 9th April. Details are in this newsletter. We then are having an Easter Parade on Thursday the 10th April. Again, details are in this newsletter.

As a result of many of our students attending the Camden Show this Friday, there will not be the usual fortnightly whole school assembly.

Sharing the learning journey with you,
Mrs Crouch
**CANTEEN NEWS**

Don’t forget the **Meal Deal** on the last day of this term. The order form and money needs to be placed in the Pink P & C Letterbox no later than this Friday 4th April. **There will be no other lunch orders available on Meal Deal day.** If you need an order form they are available at the office.

**CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 1 – WK 11, 2014**

**Wednesday 9th – Friday 11th April, 2014**

2nd Wednesday: Diane Taplin, Amanda Ormerod
2nd Thursday: Renee Jenkins, Amanda Biffin, Sian Bryant
2nd Friday: Deanna Parry, Kylie Wheeler, Rochelle Jones, Roisin Piefke

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**

The Guinness World Records Book-
It will cost $1 per child.
Our school is very lucky to be offered the opportunity to be part of a world record attempt making paper dolls. This attempt will be on 30th and 31st August at the Olympic centre at Homebush during Sydney's Book Expo. Our school was asked to be involved. On Monday 7th April, a representative will come to talk to the children about the Book Expo and take a photograph of them for the Sydney Morning Herald, The Book Expo website and other regional newspapers including the Macarthur Advertiser. If you would like your child to be part of The Guinness World Record they can pick up a copy of the paper doll pattern from the library. Your child can make as many dolls as they want (the more the merrier). All money raised on the day is given to The Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Please send paper dolls and money to school on Monday 7th of April. Thank you again for supporting literacy initiatives in our school.

Parents may be interested to know that the Indie Awards (Independent Bookstores) were announced last week.
The children's shortlist was
Alphabetical Sydney by Hilary Bell
Kissed by the Moon by Alison Lester
39 Storey Treehouse by Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton
Weirdo by Anh Do
and the winner was.... Alison Lester’s Kissed by the Moon.
The interesting thing is your children really disagree with this decision when asked who they would vote for.

Cross Country 2014.

On Wednesday 9th April, 2014 the students from Year 2 to Year 6 will be walking to Dudley Chesham Oval for The Cross Country age races. Students will be having an early lunch at 11:15am and departing the school at 11:30am and return after the races by approximately 2:45pm.

All students will be required to wear their sporting house colours or sports uniform. They need to bring 2 water/bottles, school broad brimmed blue hat, running shoes, sunscreen, asthma puffers (if needed) and a jumper (in case of change of weather).

In preparation for this event, we are encouraging students to be active daily in either a walk or run.

Parents are welcome to come to watch these races however, you are requested to park outside the venue (gate will be locked) due to students running within the grounds and on the road around the tennis courts and football oval.

Mrs Scotney
Cross Country Organiser
You are invited to:-

The Oaks Easter Parade 2014

When: Thursday 10th April
Where: Under the big COLA
What time: Hat making 10am
Picnic Lunch 11.45am
Parade starts at 12:30pm

In the morning the children will be going off to their Buddy Groups to make their hats. Parent helpers are welcome to come and join in and help with the “hat making”

Remember to bring:
* Your “crafty” bits to make a wonderful creation!
* Wear school uniform
* Your respectful manners and behaviour

You are welcome to join your child for a picnic lunch at 11.45am.

We are looking forward to a fun day.

Mrs Aldridge
(Parade Co-ordinator)
Dear Parents,

Life Education NSW is a not for profit community-based organisation that relies heavily on the raising of funds within the community to assist in meeting the shortfall left after receiving minimal assistance from Government funding.

The sale of Harold merchandise to the children whilst the program is visiting each school supports the fundraising activities of local committees and all proceeds support Life Education within each local area. These products help to remind children about the messages delivered to them during their Life Education session and have either a picture of Harold or the Life Education logo on them.

The educator will provide the opportunity for children to purchase these products during the school visit. Please 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. This allows the educator to process orders efficiently and accurately. Orders will be returned by the conclusion of the visit.

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Life Education NSW thanks you for your support.