

Stroud Road Public School and Community Newsletter

Monday, 13th February 2017

REMINDERS FOR SCHOOLS DAYS

Monday: Canteen (recess and lunch)

Tuesday:

Wednesday: School banking, Story Sharing (news)

Thursday: Canteen (recess)

Friday: Sport, recorders, music, library borrowing

STANDOUT STUDENT AWARDS

On Friday 10th February, all staff came together for a special staff meeting for two hours. The purpose of this meeting was to review our welfare policy and discuss classroom and playground rules and expectations to ensure consistency. These were then explained to the students last week.

In regards to positive behaviour we have introduced a new 'Standout Student' award. We have a clipboard with each students' name and during the week, when students display standout behaviour, they are given a tick on the clipboard. At the end of the week our top two students will receive a certificate and a canteen voucher for an ice block or a packet of chips. Before each terms assembly we will be tallying up all the ticks each child has received during the term and the overall winner will receive a Book Club voucher.

This week we had a four-way tie for the most ticks. Congratulations to Zarleigh, Nic, Shilo and Izzabella who are our Standout Students for week 3.



BOOK COVERING

I usually cover the student's books but the task takes many, many hours. If you would like to cover your child's school books for the year (contact or even wrapping paper looks great) please organise with me to send them home. I will need them back the next day in case we need them for work so if you would only like to take a few each night, or all over the weekend that would be fine. It is not essential that books are covered so please do not feel that you have to go and buy the materials to do so.

SHOW PROJECT

The school theme for the show this year is the United Nations International Year of Tourism.

Each year Primary students are asked to submit a project for one of the school events for the school. Due to time constraints we will not have time in class for the Primary students to complete their 'Tourism' research project and are asking students to complete this event at home. Students are asked to research tourism and display their information on a piece of cardboard. If your child/ren would like to complete this activity at home we have cardboard we are happy to supply to them, as well as to print any text or images in colour that they may like to use.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

It was disappointing to have to postpone the swimming but it did turn out to be quite a hot day. I look forward to the carnival going ahead tomorrow. I will use your already completed permission note in place of sending out a new one. If there are any changes please let me know.

PLEASE TIE HAIR UP

Could we please ask that all students with longer hair have their hair tied up for school each day? Not only does this help to prevent the passing of head lice, but also means that hair is not falling in children's faces whilst they complete their work.

TEXTBOOK PAYMENT

In lieu of a voluntary contribution we ask parents to contribute towards the cost of your child's textbooks. Envelopes were attached to last week's newsletter.

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

If there are any students (3-6) who would like to participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition this year, the cost is 6.50 per student. **If your child would like to compete please send in the money by Friday 17th February.** Thank you

HEALTH CARE PLANS

If your child already has a Health Care Plan at school, you will have received a copy last week. Could you please check the details are correct and take the action plan to your doctor to be updated (if necessary). Please then send the final copies to me at school. If your child has recently been diagnosed with a condition which requires a medical action plan, please contact me as soon as possible, so we can complete the appropriate paper work. Thank you

RECYCLED MATERIALS

If anyone has any milk/juice cartons or bottles, or small boxes (tissue, muesli bar) please send them in to school. We need some recycled materials to complete the recycled materials show items.

SPIRIT OF ANZAC

We have been lucky enough to obtain 40 tickets to the Spirit of ANZAC exhibition at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre on Wednesday 29th March. The school will need 20 tickets for students and staff and so we have 20 tickets for parents/carers and community members to come with us. If you are interested in a ticket please let me know. Tickets are FREE!!

HOT LUNCH

This Thursday we will be having our first Hot Lunch for the Term. The menu will be fish and chips and a dessert for \$5.00. Thank you to Molly who will be organising this for the students.

HSLO VISIT

The Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) visited last Monday to look at student absences and our roll from last year. She will be back again in week 9.

BWCoS MEETING

I will be attending the Bucketts Way Community of Schools meeting at Krumbach on Thursday.

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

I will be attending the zone swimming carnival on Friday with students who were eligible to attend based on their times at our carnival tomorrow. Mrs McNeice will be on class as usual.

HUNTER PSSA SPORT 2017

Please advise us at school if you would like your child to attend any of the following trials for Hunter Primary Schools Sport Association teams for 2017. Usually these teams are filled with Year 5 and 6 students, unless a Year 3 or 4 student has exceptional talent. **Please advise by the end of this week (17th Feb) if your child is interested in PSSA Sport.**

SPORT	ZONE TRIAL	HUNTER PSSA
Tennis	10.2.17	24.2.17
Swimming	17.2.17	2.3.17
Diving		21.2.17
Basketball	22.2.17	18.5.17
AFL	23.2.17	7.3.17
Cricket (Girls)		27.2.17
Rugby League	6.3.17	24.3.17
Hockey		5.5.17
Soccer		5.5.17 – boys 12.5.17 - girls
Netball		22.6.17
Touch Football	3.4.17	19.5.17
Cross Country		2.6.17
Rugby	1.5.17	26.5.17
Softball		30.6.17
Golf		19.6.17
Athletics	– Field – Track	1.8.17
Cricket		6.9.17 – boys 13.9.17 – boys 14.9.17 - girls

PLEASE NOTE: Some dates and locations have not been received

ICAS DATES 2017

The 2017 ICAS dates are listed below.

ICAS Subject	ICAS Sitting Date
Digital Technologies	23 rd May 2017
Science	30 th May 2017
Writing	12 th June – 16 th June 2017
Spelling	14 th June 2017
English	1 st August 2017
Mathematics	15 th August 2017

If you would like your child/ren to participate in the ICAS assessments in 2017 the entry fees will be required to be paid by parents/carers.

Entry fees: Digital Technologies - \$8.80
Science - \$8.80
Writing - \$18.70

Spelling - \$12.10
English - \$8.80
Mathematics - \$8.80

PLEASE NOTE: If fewer than 3 entries are made in a subject across all years, an entry fee equivalent to 3 entries must be paid.

Please send your money in to school before the end of Week 4 (17th February 2017).

If you would like more information about the ICAS assessments please go to:

<https://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/about>



Best wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday this week.

WEEK 4

Tuesday 14 th Feb	Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 15 th Feb	
Thursday 16 th Feb	Hot Lunch (Molly) BWCOS Miss Mac attending
Friday 17 th Feb	Zone Swimming Miss Mac attending

WEEK 5

Monday 20 th Feb	Canteen
Tuesday 21 st Feb	
Wednesday 22 nd Feb	P&C AGM 7.00pm
Thursday 23 rd Feb	
Friday 24 th Feb	

WEEK 6

Monday 27 th Feb	Canteen
Tuesday 28 th Feb	
Wednesday 1 st Mar	
Thursday 2 nd Mar	Regional Swimming
Friday 3 rd Mar	CLN Mtg – Miss Mac

WEEK 7

Monday 6 th Mar	Canteen
Tuesday 7 th Mar	
Wednesday 8 th Mar	
Thursday 9 th Mar	
Friday 10 th Mar	

WEEK 8

Monday 13 th Mar	Canteen
Tuesday 14 th Mar	
Wednesday 15 th Mar	Gala Soccer at Gloucester
Thursday 16 th Mar	
Friday 17 th Mar	

WEEK 9

Monday 20 th Mar	Canteen
Tuesday 21 st Mar	Harmony Day
Wednesday 22 nd Mar	
Thursday 23 Mar	Cross Country
Friday 24 th Mar	

WEEK 10

Monday 27 th Mar	Canteen
Tuesday 28 th Mar	
Wednesday 29 th Mar	Spirit of ANZAC
Thursday 30 th Mar	
Friday 31 st Mar	

WEEK 11

Monday 3 rd April	
Tuesday 4 th April	
Wednesday 5 th April	
Thursday 6 th April	
Friday 7 th April	Assembly/Easter Activities

Crystal McGuigan
Principal

P&C AGM

The AGM will be held on Wednesday, 22nd February at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Just a reminder snack items are available to purchase from the canteen on Thursdays at recess time.

Canteen Roster Term 1

20 th Feb	Kim
27 th Feb	Nicole
6 th Mar	Kim
13 th Mar	?
20 th Mar	Kim
27 th Mar	?
3 rd April	Kim

If you are able to assist with the canteen please see Kim Harris. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.



Chat with the Chappie

We all express love in different ways. Maybe it's through affection, or quality time. Others by word and some by deed.

Another way to show love is through gift giving. One of my favourite parts of Christmas is actually seeing the expression of those I bought gifts for when they open their gift. I love to find the right gift for each person, I don't cope very well with generic gifts, I love to find the perfect gift for each of my loved ones!

It has been said that *it is better to give than receive*. I find this to be so true! Though it is certainly not the message our society tells us; it is much more about getting than giving. Do you remember the ad, *'The most important person in the world is you'*? We live in a time of entitlement and we sometimes see the millennial generation that live by what they can get out of the world they live in rather than what they can give to it. So that being said, we as staff of this awesome little school, have looked at ways we can encourage our kids to look beyond themselves; to learn that giving to others is a great thing; to see that they live in a pretty special country with so many privileges. As a school we will be sponsoring a child from another country. The kids will do small fundraisers each term to cover the costs of this sponsorship and they will get to see how a small amount of money each month can make a huge difference in the life of a child who doesn't live with the wonderful opportunities we have here in Australia.

We look forward to sharing this journey with you all. Perhaps you could start talking with your child about a job they could do at home each week where the money they earn is specifically for our Compassion Child. Even if the job is worth 50c or \$1, every bit counts; you might call it their Compassion job!

Once a term the Year 6 kids will organise a small fundraiser (with help and guidance from me!), this will be our Compassion Day.

If you have any ideas or would like to be involved in specific ways, please don't hesitate to let me know!



Chaplain's Character Award

This week's award goes to:-

Lachlan Warner – For being very kind and helpful to younger students.

Well done Lachlan, keep up the great job!



NEXT WEEK:- The students will have opportunities to nominate other students/teacher/staff that are displaying great character traits. We want to look for the good in others! So each week there will be a student chosen by Mrs Thomas and a student or staff member chosen from the nominations ☺

Community News



YOUR LOCAL PCYC PRESENTS
BLUE LIGHT DISCO

24/2/16 @ 5.30PM

JUNIOR BLUELIGHT - Yrs K to 2
(last year Preschoolers welcome)

5.30pm till 7pm
Gloucester Soldiers Club
Entertainment: MOBILISTIC DJ's


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