



CENTRAL MANGROVE PUBLIC SCHOOL



Term 4 Week 10

14 December 2010

Thank you to all the families and friends who attended our Presentation Day on Wednesday 8 December. All parents should be proud of their child's academic, social and sporting success during 2010. We all look forward to another productive year in 2011 with many activities and programs already planned by our hard working teaching staff.



Happy Holidays - The staff would like to take this opportunity to wish all students and their families a safe and happy holiday. Please remember with the hot weather already upon us, the importance of Slip, Slop, Slap and Slide over the holiday period.



Goodbye Mr Derbyshire - Thank you Mr Derbyshire for your support and teaching in all areas of school life during Terms 3 and 4. We all wish you success in your career as your time at CMPS sadly comes to an end.

Dates for resumption of school in 2011:

- All staff return to school on Thursday 27 January 2011
- Year 1 - 6 students return to school on Monday 31 January
- Kindergarten students start school on Tuesday 1 February 2011.



Major Fundraising Raffle winners were:

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| Westfield voucher | Waterman Family |
| The Fresh Edge Fruit & Veg Voucher | Bennett Family |
| Westy's \$50 gift voucher | Callaghan Family |
| MMM Club Golf vouchers | Papas Family |
| \$30 Narara Valley & Big Flower Nurseries | Woolley & Tomich/Keir Families |
| Worm Farm & \$20 Bunnings voucher | Ferrier Family |
| \$50 Coles voucher | Woolley Family |
| Marion Grove \$200 gift voucher | Papas Family |
| The Entrance Cinema vouchers | Kostas Family |
| Central Coast Skips voucher | Cruickshank Family |
| Iron & sandwich maker from Mangrove Hardware | Buckley Family |
| Glenworth Valley Adventures voucher | Barnes Family |

Thank you to our fabulous sponsors who so generously donated goods and services for this fundraising event. With support from just over $\frac{1}{2}$ our school families we were able to make a profit of \$400. This money will support part of the cost of purchasing our new aluminium lunch seating.



Terrigal Beach Surf Awareness Day Excursion — Wednesday 15 December

What to wear:

- Shorts and shirts with sleeve - no bare shoulders please
- Swimmers and towel *****K - Year 2 students need a rashie or swim shirt.
- Hat - Please Apply sunscreen before leaving home
- Thongs and or sandals - NO bare feet

What to bring:

- Morning tea and lunch with plenty of water to drink **Hint: freeze a drink container over night
- Sunscreen and a bag for sandy or wet items * Jumper in case the weather changes



Coles Vouchers — we earned 14470 points in this program - our new selected sports equipment will arrive early Term 1 2011. Thank you everyone who supported this program and sent in their shopping vouchers.

Congratulations to Toby of K/1/2 for winning the SRC Colouring in competition. Well done Toby!

SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS 4 KIDS

- **Crusaders are running 20 awesome Christian camps for kids in school yrs 3-12 in the summer holidays.**
- **Activities include:** sailing, swimming, theme nights, abseiling, rock climbing, sand boarding, horse riding, beach days, HSC study, new friends and more!
- **For a free brochure or to register visit www.crucamps.com.au or call (02) 9874 8933.**
- 'CRU Camps' is a division of the Crusader Union of Australia which has 80 years experience running safe, Christian camps for kids.

School Holiday Fun every season at Mt Penang Gardens

A range of interesting and enjoyable activities are planned for your children.

Fun garden games and activities which change with each season. It's all included with your garden entry. *Dip netting - catch a critter (spring & summer) *Plant discovery walks *Kids gardening * Arts and crafts *Garden games *Bean pod boat racing (winter)

Entry Prices: Adults \$7.50 - Seniors/Concessions \$4.50 - Children \$5.00* (under 5 free) - Family Pass (2 adults and 3 children) \$20.00 - Book now for your session; 10:30 am or 1:30 pm

Phone Roland on 4340 1002. Email: fdc@lpma.nsw.gov.au - www.mpp.nsw.gov.au

The Avenue, via Central Coast Hwy, Kariong

Do you want to try netball?

Join us 12 January 2011 at the Gosford Netball Assoc at Adcock Park West Gosford starting at 9.30 am and finishing at 3.00 pm (light lunch provided).

FREE - Net's get physical FUN NETBALL PROGRAM

If you don't already play netball and are aged between 5 - 13 years of age you are welcome to attend. Register for your place at this great day out during the January school holidays.

Be quick and don't miss out! Download registration forms from our web-site

www.gosfordnetball.com.au or e-mail secretary@gosfordnetball.com.au or call Leanne on 0424 198

352 Little Stars Net's Get Physical Netball is a safe and fun introduction to netball, supported by the Dept Sport & Recreation and the Australian Sports Commission.

The clinic will involve participants learning how to play netball by being involved. All equipment will be provided for use by participants during the clinic. What to wear? - Wear shorts, t-shirt, running shoes, sunscreen What to bring? - Bottle of water, healthy snacks and sunscreen. Canteen will be open selling ice blocks, water. e-mail secretary@gosfordnetball.com.au web www.gosfordnetball.com.au phone 0424 198 352

Mingara Junior Chess Tournament

Mingara Recreation Club, Mingara Drive, Tumby (on the Central Coast, off Wyong Road, between Wyong and The Entrance) Monday, January 17, from 11am to about 4.30pm Players must be aged 17 or younger on the day of the tournament. We are expecting both beginners and experienced, but as a minimum each player must know how to move the pieces. Instruction will be given for those not accustomed to using clocks. The field will be limited to the first 50 entrants. Everyone will play seven games (Swiss system) with 15 minutes allotted per player per game (possibly extended in later rounds if time permits). Puzzle solving competitions: Prizes for solving chess puzzles between rounds. This is a non-profit tournament - all entry fees will be returned as trophies and prizes in several age groups. Entry fee \$10. Entries close Wednesday, January 12. Telephone or e-mail Gary Losh on 4390 8176 or glosh51@dodo.com.au with name, e-mail address and telephone number of parents, together with name and DoB of player. Pay entry fees on the day. General inquiries welcome - Mingara Junior Chess Group meets every Wednesday from 5 - 6.15pm during school terms.

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Holiday fun for kids! NSW Sport & Recreations Activities for Dec 2010- Jan 2011

Bookings are essential - Phone 131302 43623184 or visit: www.dsr.nsw.gov.au - Athletics Development, Canoe/Kayaking; CARES Bike Safety; Circus Stuff; Horse riding - saddle club; Hockey skills; Kids multi sports; Sailing; Scooter, Skate or Freestyle BMX; Surf Life Saving; Tennis at Gosford and Wyong; Stand-up Paddle.

Discovery Walks, Talks and Tours - Healthy Parks and Healthy People

NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service's runs a discovery program to show communities there is a wealth of cultural and environmental heritage available within their local area. For more information contact: 43204205 or visit Central Coast Hunter Range Gosford Office at Level 3, 207 Albany Street, North Gosford. This office is open 5 days a week from 8:30am to 4:30pm.



New School Bags \$34.00

- Available in the Uniform Shop start Term 1 2011
- Currently on display in the school admin office
- In School colours with Logo
- Ergonomic Designed –
- Light weight to reduces back pain and strain
- Tough bottoms and a cool air circulation system



UNIFORM SHOP IS NOW CLOSED FOR 2010

AND WILL RE-OPEN FOR BUSINESS ON

WEDNESDAY 2 FEBRUARY

(WEEK 1 TERM 1 2011)

In 2010 it has been my pleasure to be president of the Central Mangrove P&C, We are a small group of dedicated parents, who get together once a term. Our objectives each year are to organise events and opportunities for the school and we subsidise most of these, limiting the amount parents have to outlay. We run a small canteen, a uniform shop and we fundraise.

Our main goal each year is to provide the school with the necessary equipment, educational experiences and programmes that it needs so that the children can excel, both in the classroom & in person.

Each year Central Mangrove public school gets a set amount from the Department of Education, these funds do not cover all of the schools needs, and this is where the P&C can help out.

This year the P&C have donated an amount of \$6,800.00 to the school, this amount includes the purchase of a new PA system at a cost of \$3,500.00. We have also paid \$1100.00 for the Athletics and Spelladrome computer licences, two great additions to the schools learning curriculum. And this year the P&C has also organised and paid for or subsidised the Inflatable Soccer Day, the Reptile show and the PE Day, the year 6 farewell; as well adding \$500.00 towards the cost of the new sign out the front of the school.

Fundraising for the school is a fun time for the P&C, either out in the community or at the school. We make it a get together with fundraising on the side. And often a good laugh is had by all. This year we have run the Mothers day stall, the Fathers day stall, we have provided refreshments for Pinocchio matinee and main show and we have been out at the Country Fair selling cakes. I have a few people I need to thank Jennifer Bailey & Barbara Lyon who are always willing to help the P&C out in fundraising, & Melissa Mackay & Elizabeth Kyriacou, for their full day on the cake stall at the Country Fair.

Our small canteen should receive awards, we only open 2 days a week, due to a lack of helpers, but twice a week the children receive a hot healthy meal, mostly home cooked and it is our major income earner. We undertake frequent special lunches, sometimes with very limited helpers, but we always seem to manage and we have become the envy of other mountain schools. With several other school parents asking how we manage such wonderful food. Under the direction of Kylie Fletcher the canteen has gone from strength to strength and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Nicole Poetsch & Angela Muscat who work tirelessly every Monday to help the committee out.

The P&C has already put some things into motion for next year, we would like to purchase seating for the new lunch area outside the library block at a cost of \$900.00 each. We are looking at a being able to fundraise for at least 4 benches. To start this fundraising off we are organising a "Welcome Back to School" Family Disco to be held in February.

Do you know that all of these wonderful things are done with a committee of just six dedicated people; Sharlene Sullens, Vice President, Lynette Callaghan, Treasurer, Deb Chu, Minutes Secretary, Kylie Fletcher, Canteen Coordinator and Julia Kostalas, Uniform Coordinator.

Besides their committee jobs, they also give tirelessly to support the school. You will often see them in the canteen, out fundraising, running errands, helping in the classrooms or driving children to events. I would personally be lost if they were not here for me to lean on.

I would like to take this opportunity to say that our next committee meeting is in February, and we really need some new people, as some of our existing committee will be leaving us in the new year. We don't bite, I think we are all really friendly and we would like to invite you to come along and get involved, think of the great things you can do for the school,

On behalf of the committee, I would like to say congratulation to the children receiving awards on Presentation Day and a sincere farewell to the graduating year 6, most of whom I have known since they started school. I was proud to do Rockets with you in Kindy & year 1 and I am just as proud today to see how you have grown into beautiful high schoolers.

Thanking you
Karen Stapleton
President

8 December 2010

Dear Parents and Community Members,

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN BECOMING A TEACHER OF PHILOSOPHICAL ETHICS AND/OR

ETHICS COORDINATOR

Philosophical ethics may be offered at your child's school in 2011, as an option solely for students who have opted out of SRE/scripture. A volunteer Ethics Coordinator will manage the ethics program at each school.

Parents or community members interested in teaching philosophical ethics, on a voluntary basis, are invited to complete an online Expression of Interest form at www.primaryethics.com.au

Interested persons must:

- Satisfy the following essential selection criteria:
 - be comfortable working with and be able to engage with children
 - have an interest in helping young people to think about ethics
 - have an open-minded, inquiring outlook
 - be a good listener
- Commit to teaching the course for at least one year,
- Be available to attend a two day training course (dates and venues to be determined, although the first one is scheduled for Sydney on February 1-2, 2011),
- Have daily access to the internet and email,
- Complete a Working with Children Check - Student/Volunteer at their own expense (\$12.50) and not have a criminal conviction for:
 - a crime against a minor; or
 - violence; or
 - sexual assault or
 - the provision of prohibited drugs.
- Complete a *Keeping Them Safe* online child protection module,
- Successfully complete a training course conducted by *Primary Ethics*,
- Diligently participate in any other training or support activities provided by *Primary Ethics*,
- Diligently teach the approved course in philosophical ethics, using the materials and following the processes given by *Primary Ethics*,
- Cooperate with the school Principal and Staff, and
- Consistently and punctually attend classes for which he or she is responsible.

Interested persons might also satisfy one or more of the following desirable criteria:

- A degree in some relevant field (e.g. arts or humanities)
- A teaching qualification
- Group facilitation experience
- Classroom experience
- Previous work with young people

For further information about the philosophical ethics course and to register your Expression of Interest as a Volunteer Ethics Teacher and/or an Ethics Coordinator, please go to: www.primaryethics.com.au

Student Requirements 2011

| Kindergarten & Year 1 | Year 2 and Year 3 | Years 4, 5 and 6 | OFFICE |
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| 4 x Solid glue sticks (one for each term) Sturdy reading pouch for home reading Tissues (box for classroom) Headphones (unless already at school) Library Bag <u>NO</u> Pencil case <u>NO</u> Textas | Eraser Ruler 30 cm (solid/timber) 4 x Solid glue sticks (one for each term) Coloured pencils Lead pencils x 6 Red & Blue ballpoint pens Pencil case Sharpener Tissues (box for classroom) 1 Highlighter Headphones (unless already at school) Homework folder Library Bag <u>NO</u> Textas | Eraser Ruler mm (solid/timber) 4 x Solid glue sticks (one for each term) Coloured pencils Lead pencils x 6 Pencil case Sharpener Tissues (box for classroom) Textas Red, blue and black ballpoint pens Highlighters Headphones (unless already at school) 2-ring A4 Folder 20 Plastic Sheets 1 large cardboard sheet Homework folder Library Bag | Spare school clothing for emergency use eg. Spare CLEAN undies and socks for younger children Shorts and tops in all sizes Tissues |



ALL BELONGINGS MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH CHILD'S NAME

Equipment will need to be replaced each term

Headphones can be purchased at school for \$14 each