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Upward We Strive

Week 2 Term 3 - July 30 2010



Welcome back to school. I am back in the hot seat and thoroughly enjoying myself. We have a very busy term ahead of us with athletics carnivals, school camp and Education week.

We have made a great start to the term with some of the Year 5 and Year 6 students creating an amazing sculpture. A big thank you to Mrs Cruickshank for her huge effort and creative flair. A further thank you to Mrs Story who demonstrated her skills with construction. The sculpture forms part of a sculpture trail which is a non competitive art show on a grand scale.

We are looking forward to seeing parents on Open Day. The P & C will be holding a sausage sizzle and will have coffee and tea available. Students are preparing speeches this week and will be participating in a public speaking competition within their classes. The winning speeches will be presented at the Open Day Assembly.

Thank you to helpers for Athletics Carnival. It was a great success. The students who are going on to the Small Schools Athletics Carnival will receive their notes on Monday.

Remember school opens at 8.45 am. There are no teachers on duty until this time. There is Before School Care available at Kulnura and the children can catch the bus from there to school.

I attended the P&C meeting on Wednesday and am impressed by the hard work this small group of parents do. If you have time and can assist, your input at the meetings would be greatly appreciated. It is a friendly atmosphere with lots of good ideas being discussed and extra input would be appreciated.

Welcome to Mr Derbyshire who is teaching 4/5 and Mr Dedman who is teaching 6A. They have both settled well into our school routine. Welcome to Jayden in Year 6.

I am looking forward to Mrs Alexander's return.

Melissa Mackay

Calendar - Term 3

Week 3

August 2 - 6	Mon-Fri	Book Fair in 6A room
August 2	Monday	After School Sport
August 3	Tuesday	ICAS English Competition
		Keyboard Kids
August 4	Wednesday	Education Week OPEN DAY
		Taronga Zoomobile visit \$4
		After School Sport
August 6	Friday	Wilhelm Quartet Somersby PS

Week 4

August 9	Monday	After School Sport
August 10	Tuesday	SRC Cake Day
		ICAS Maths Competition
		Keyboard Kids
August 11	Wednesday	After School Sport
August 13	Friday	Small Schools Athletics Carnival

Week 5

NO After School Sport this week		
NO AFL program this week		
August 14 - 22		Science Week
August 16 - 20	Mon-Fri	Yr 4/5/6 Sydney Sports
		Academy Camp
August 17	Tuesday	Keyboard Kids

Week 6

August 23	Monday	After School Sport
August 24	Tuesday	Keyboard Kids
August 25	Wednesday	Healthy Harold - Life Education
		AFL Sport Program
August 25-26	Wed/Thurs	BWPSSA Athletics Carnival
		After School Sport
August 26	Thursday	AFL Program Make-up for Camp
August 27	Friday	Yellow Day - Daffodil Day

Week 7

August 30	Monday	After School Sport
August 31	Tuesday	Keyboard Kids
September 1	Wednesday	AFL Sport Program
		Fathers' Day Stall
		After School Sport
September 3	Friday	In-2 Cricket Sport Program

Week 8

September 6	Monday	After School Sport
		KMHS Drama Day
September 8	Wednesday	AFL Sport program
		After School Sport
September 9	Thursday	Reptile Park Visit

Open Day Lunch Orders



Open Day (4 August) lunch order forms were sent home on Thursday. Please return all order forms by Monday 2 August so catering can be organised. The P&C Canteen organisers request that all orders be attached to a paper bag. Menu for the day is: BBQ Snags on bread & an ice cream cone for \$4. NO other lunch items will be available on the day. Kid's Kitchen will operate at lunchtime for counter sales only.

Wilhelm Quartet 6 Aug - Payment request

The costs of this excursion is \$3 per child to cover the bus transport, students need to arrive at school by 9:15am and will return in time for normal end of day travel. Please forward payment & permission note by Wednesday 4 August.

Thank you to our wonderful P&C



Thank you to our P&C for donating the funds to purchase our fantastic new portable PA system (\$3399) and for covering half the costs of our Inflataball Soccer Day (\$200).

The P&C Committee have also organised and paid for the visit to our school of the Australian Reptile Park on Thursday 9 September.

Without this financial support we would not have been able to purchase or provide these great resources or activities.

Year 4 - 6 Academy of Sport Camp Itinerary 2010

Schools attending: Somersby, Peats Ridge, Central Mangrove, Kulnura and Spencer.

Monday 16/8/10:

- 7:15 am Arrive Somersby PS for roll check
- 7:45 am Board bus for trip to Sydney Academy of Sport & recreation at Narrabeen
- 10:30 am Arrive Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation

Friday 20/8/10:

- 2:00pm Depart Sydney Academy
- 3:45pm (approx) Arrive Somersby Public School for parent pick-up

****Please note:** The bus will depart and arrive at Somersby PS, not the shop over the road.

Thank you for our new library books!



to OPSM for their donation of library books in conjunction with the Premier's Reading Challenge and Eye Love Books promotion. We know our students will enjoy reading these new books once our new Library is finished.

SRC request



We are starting knitting again this term so we need more **plastic** knitting needles. Donations of plastic knitting needles of any size will be most welcome. If your child has borrowed knitting needles from the school last term, could you please send them back to school so we can begin our new program.



2010 is our Year of Learning for Sustainability



'Think Green - Eat Green'

Does your food come overly dressed with lots of packaging? Remember every bit of packaging takes energy to be produced and transported, in addition, much of this packaging ends up in general waste rather than being recycled, reducing the life of our landfill sites.

Packaged food often means processed food, which like well travelled food, is of lower nutritional value than fresh fruit and vegetables.

How to go waste free:

- Avoid packaged foods as they are detrimental to your health, your wallet and the environment.
- If you do buy food with packaging, make sure it is recyclable packaging.
- Buy reusable containers and food in bulk, you can still pack 'snack packs' without creating a waste problem.
- Say 'NO' to plastic bags.
- If you do need to buy packaged foods, look for the one with the least amount of packaging layers.

Did you know?

- Animal and dairy food account for nearly half of the greenhouse gases produced from our food.
 - That just one serve of meat creates 5 kilos of greenhouse gases.
 - It takes 16000 litres of water to produce one kilo of meat.
- Information from Gosford City Council's Green Living program.



Year K/1/2 have been growing mushrooms as part of their Gosford City Council's 'Think Green - Eat Green' project.

McCain School Veggie Patches

Don't forget to send in barcodes from McCain frozen vegetables and McCain Purely Potato packs. We have until October to redeem points for products to use with our veggie garden. Students can give the bar codes to the class teacher or place them in our school green letter box at the top car park.

All McCain frozen vegetables 1kg - 2kg are worth 10 points.

Kmart's Art of Giving Competition

The school has registered to participate in Kmart's Art of Giving Competition. Students are required to produce an artwork based on the theme "What does family mean to you?" The artwork can be A4 or A3 size and in the form of a drawing, painting or collage. Artworks need to be completed and handed in by **Monday 6th of September**.



The 2010 Kmart Art of Giving competition is now open!

Last year we received over 2000 entries to the competition and awarded 18 school prizes Australia with cash prizes that were donated into a variety of school improvement projects.

To enter the prize schools can invite to have their children draw, paint or create a collage about the year's theme.

What does family mean to you?

Fun for Students, Great for your School!

win a share of \$50,000 for your School!

What does family mean to you?

Artwork Theme

Through the year's Kmart Art of Giving theme, we hope to highlight and celebrate the rich diversity of family life as seen through the eyes of young Australia.

It's a great way to encourage discussion in the classroom and enables students to express their ideas about family in a creative way.

Preparing Artwork

1. Artwork must be hand-drawn original work by students currently attending an Australian primary school.
2. The artwork can be produced on any A4, A3 or A2 sized sheets such as paper, cardboard or stone and can be in the form of a drawing, painting or collage.
3. The winning artwork will be judged on the most creative and well-thought-out ideas that best represent the theme 'What does family mean to you?'

Fantastic Prizes

Over \$50,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded to the winning school and their artwork in each state. One lucky teacher and their school will be selected to win a grand National Prize for producing the winning artwork.

Age Group	Student Prize	School Prize
Prep to Year 4	\$2000	\$5000
Year 5 to 7	\$2000	\$5000
Year 8 to 10	\$2000	\$5000
Year 11 to 12	\$2000	\$5000

All McCain frozen vegetables and McCain Purely Potato 500g, 600g, 750g and 800g packs are worth 5 points.

Jodie Gallagher.

News from the DET Webpage

Do friendships make learning easier? Your child's ability to make friends will affect their interest in learning - how can you help?

- Help them to learn self control
- Show them how well you treat other people, so they can learn from you
- If you are concerned, speak to your child's teacher about it.

More details at:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/ezone/yr2010/issue03/index.php

Orders for Year 6 Muck-up Photograph

Order forms available from the office - Cost \$15 each. Orders and payment need by 6 August.

Yellow Day - Daffodil Day Friday 27 August



On Friday 27 August we are having a 'Yellow Day' as part of Daffodil Day to assist in raising money for cancer research.

Students are asked to come to school in normal school uniform but include an item of 'yellow'. Examples: Yellow socks, hair ribbon, yellow sport shirt etc.

Daffodil Day merchandise of pins or wristbands will be sold for \$2 per item.

Thank you for your support!



Many thanks to Nick Mason from 'Community Technology Centre' and Mangrove Mountain Computer Club for transferring our Rainbow Reading Program cassettes to CD's. This is now a valuable resource for Central Mangrove PS.

The Community Technology Centre always welcomes new members. It is run by local volunteers. There are classes for Beginners who would like to learn how to use a Computer at their own pace. Intermediate to Advanced classes are also available. Other classes include: Photoshop Elements, restoring old photographs, Publisher, Digital Scrapbooking, Video Editing and other interesting classes. Look for notices in the Community News.

Don't forget the MACS - Mangrove Alerts Community System. If you are concerned about events such as bushfires, severe storms, hail or even road blockages, why not add your name to the Mangrove Alerts Community system.

This is a free service run by volunteers. Messages are sent by Email, SMS to mobiles and or text-to-voice to landline phones. For information and registration: ☎ 4373 1014 between 4 - 5pm.

www.macs.mangrovemountain.nsw.au or email macsalerts@gmail.com

Can you help?

We urgently need tomato or strawberry punnets to be used to grow seedlings. These make great mini hot houses. We need this for one of our Education Week activities.

Thank you, Mrs Gallagher

Active After School Sport Program

Our Term 3 Active After School Sport sessions start week 3 with:

Monday	August 2	Oz Tag
Wednesday	August 4	Cricket

Our new Active After School Sport Coach Mrs Julia Kostalas has now completed her training and has some great activities planned for her sessions.

Enrolment forms for interested students were sent home earlier this week. Please ensure these forms are returned to school by Monday 2 August.

We currently have limited vacancies in both days of this program. Please contact the school office if interested.

Book Fair



Our 2010 Book Fair is being held this year in Education Week from Monday August 2 - Friday August 6.

Parents and students are welcome to purchase books each morning from 8:45 - 9:15am in Year 6 classroom.

We are still desperate for parent volunteer help to run this stall each morning. Please contact the school if you can assist.

SRC Cake Stall - Tuesday 10 August



The SRC students have organised a Cake Stall Day for Tuesday 10 August. They are requesting donations of homemade cakes, biscuits, slices, cupcakes or toffee to sell on this day. All donations need to be in labelled containers with ingredients clearly display. All items on the cake stall will be sold for 20 - 50 cents each.

P&C News

Canteen Roster for Term 3:

Week 3	Monday: Nicole	Wednesday: Lynette & Kylie
Week 4	Monday: Angela	Wednesday: Karen & Deb
Week 5	Monday: Nicole	Wednesday: Kylie & Jacqui
Week 6	Monday: Angela	Wednesday: Karen & Deb



Attachments included this week are:

- Play Cricket for Free flier
- Last chance to buy 2010/2011 Entertainment Book
- Community Software Plan
- CMPS Athletics Carnival Results
- Kid's Help Line Information

Community Notices

Handmade Craft Market

Where: Erina High School Hall and surrounding grounds
 When: Sunday 22nd August, 2010 Open: 10am - 2pm
 Entry: Kids (up to 16 years) - FREE. Adults - Gold Coin Donation.
 100% of entry fees go to local charities.
 Information: <http://handmadecraftmarket.blogspot.com/>
 email craftmarket@exemail.com.au or call 0412 801 581.

RETURN SLIPS

ALF SPORTING PROGRAM

I give permission for my child/children to participate in the Term 3 AFL sporting program at a cost of \$24 per student.

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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WILHELM QUARTET CONCERT

I give permission for my child/ren to travel by bus to Somersby Public School to attend the Wilhelm Quartet Crossroads Tour Concert. The cost of this excursion is \$3.00 per student.

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

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TARONGA ZOOMOBILE VISIT

As part of Education Week Open Day, my child will be attending the Taronga Zoomobile presentation. I have enclosed payment of \$4 per child.

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

Awards and Certificates

TEACHER'S AWARDS: Term 2 Week 10



K/1/2	Caitlin	Excellent reading
	Ashlee	Great attitude to work
	Sarah K	Always doing her best
	Michaela	Great results in mathematics
2/3	Aaron	An improved effort to begin tasks quickly and complete on time.
	Ryan	Always beginning tasks quickly
	Kallie	Making an effort to present work
4/5	Mitchell	Good effort in exposition writing
	Corey	Displaying good skills in spelling
	Alicia	Completing all English tasks independently, neatly and efficiently
	Billy	Excellent work with fractions, decimals and percentages
6	Chloe	Trying her best in mathematics and solving division problems
	Connor	Excellent contribution to class discussions
	Heather	Giving 100% to complete set task and producing quality work
	Hamish	Improving quality of research and writing his Scotland information report.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS: Term 2 Week 10



K/1/2	Toby	Well presented spelling
	Hannah	Great recycled art
4/5	Georgia	Explorer Project
	Rohan	Scotland Project
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Bronze Awards: 18/06/10
 Macgregor, Corey and Jake M.



Silver Awards: 25/06/10
 Ahmad and Irene

ICAS Competition Awards:
 Credit in Computer Skills - Alexandra Sidiropoulos
 Credit in Science - Fergus

Bus Awards:
 Aidan - setting a good example to younger and older students.



Our sculpture is beginning to take shape