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Upward We Strive

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Term 4 - Week 6 - Friday 18 November 2011



Our school became 'Star' of the morning as students, staff and families joined 104.5 Star FM for their live radio broadcast from our school on Wednesday 9/11/11.

Welcome to our school.....

This week we welcome four new pre-service teachers from Newcastle University working on each class:

Ms Herbert K/1M Ms Starkey 2/3S
 Ms Fletcher 4AH Ms Hayward 5/6M

We hope that this practicum is very successful for each of you.

This week all students have been practising for Charlotte's Web and they sound so delightful singing all the tunes so confidently. We are really looking forward to our performances in three weeks time.

Thank you to all those Radio Day Helpers:

Karen Stapleton, Kylie Fletcher, Lynette Callaghan, Deb Chu, Melissa Mackay, Nicole Poetsch, Robyn Hamilton, + staff and families who joined in the fun. It was a great opportunity to showcase our school and learn about the technicalities of running a radio station. Oliver Rickards was interviewed about his role as the Mangrove Mountain Ambassador and he handled the attention with so much confidence and spoke very maturely with a hint of comedy, totally justifying his appointment at the Country Fair.

Thank you for all the family surveys that were returned which was a record amount. Byron Connery won the raffle and is quite excited about his prize which is a \$25 shopping voucher for Westfield at Tuggerah.

Our students can demonstrate their pride in our school by wearing the school uniform and we ask parents to ensure that their children are wearing the correct school uniform, including the sports uniform which should be worn on Thursdays for our gymnastics lessons. Some girls are wearing nail polish and accessories which are not suitable for school. Even though it's the end of the school year we want to keep up the high standards, as very often they are linked to student behaviour. Showing pride and respect for

Calendar for Term 4

Week 7

Nov 21	Monday	LAST Kindy Orientation Program Kid's Kitchen, AASCP: GCC Environment Awards
Nov 22	Tuesday	Scripture, Student Banking Day
Nov 23	Wednesday	SRC Boardies & Ice Cream Day: Kid's Kitchen,
AASCP		
Nov 24	Thursday	Gymnastics

Week 8

Nov 28	Monday	Kid's Kitchen, AASCP
Nov 29	Tuesday	Scripture, Student Banking Day;
Nov 30	Wednesday	Kid's Kitchen, AASCP
Dec 1	Thursday	Community Morning Tea 11:30am: Gymnastics
Dec 2	Friday	2012 Leaders Speeches; Yr6 Sausage Sizzle Lunch

Week 9

		NO AASCP this week!
Dec 5	Monday	Year 6 High School Orientation Day Kid's Kitchen
Dec 6	Tuesday	Combined Scripture, Student Banking Day
Dec 7	Wednesday	Charlotte's Web Matinee Performance Kid's Kitchen
Dec 8	Thursday	Charlotte's Web Evening Performance 7pm: Gym
Dec 9	Friday	P&C Pancake Day; Garden Working Bee

Week 10

Dec 12	Monday	Kid's Kitchen, AASCP
Dec 13	Tuesday	Student Banking Day; SRC Movie Day
Dec 14	Wednesday	Presentation of Awards Day: Kid's Kitchen, AASCP Reports home
Dec 15	Thursday	Gymnastics, SRC Talent Quest, Yr 6 Farewell Dinner
Dec 16	Friday	Surf Awareness Day @ Terrigal Beach LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS

Week 11

Dec 19	Monday	Staff Development Day - NO students at school
Dec 20	Tuesday	SCHOOL CLOSED - HOLIDAYS ☺☺☺

oneself and our school will increase learning outcomes when expectations are high.

Students are busy winding up the school year with some formal and informal assessment tasks so teachers can complete the Student Reports. 4AH and our school choir are also enjoying the fruits of their labour by attending the Gosford Council Environment Awareness Ceremony next Monday. We wish them well in their performance of BIODIVERSITY.

5/6 will have attended the Challenge Ranch Transition to High School/Leadership Programs and we hope they had a very successful and fun learning opportunity. We look forward to their report for the next newsletter.

We ask parents for support in our school in many ways. One of the most important being the returning of notes on time, making timely payments for learning programs and also checking your child's bag for any notices/newsletters they may be taking home. We try to keep the newsletter for fortnightly Fridays but sometimes special notes may need to go home during the week. We are noticing that some students are not giving notes to parents for many days and



many are requiring a second, third or fourth note to go home. It really helps when parents check the school bag and reply straight away. Too much time can be spent chasing up the same information day after day, when we have deadlines to face. It is also expensive for our school to keep printing extra notices. We will try to keep correspondence to a minimum but we don't want anyone to miss out on important information.

We are looking forward to enjoying the rest of the school year and celebrating all our achievements. Your support is truly valued as a partner in your child's education.

Lorene Alexander



COMING EVENTS

Whole School Garden Working Bee



We urgently need volunteers to assist with our term 4 garden working bee on Friday **9 December from 9:30am**. All volunteer gardeners are invited to join the students and staff for a pancake lunch, run by our

P&C,
Please return the attached RSVP if you are available to assist on this day and don't forget to bring your garden gloves and wear a hat and sun screen.

Year 6 Welcome to Summer Sausage Sizzle Lunch



Year 6 students are fundraising for funds to assist with the purchase of their farewell gift to the school. With the assistance of their teacher, Mr Matthew and Year 5 students they will be cooking a 'Sausage Sizzle' lunch for all students and staff to enjoy on Friday 2 December. Please return the lunch order form with money to your child's teacher by Tuesday 29 November.

Community Morning Tea



Did you receive your Community Morning Tea Invitation last week? Please let the office know if your invitation did not arrive home. This event is being held on Thursday 1 December at 11:30am in the Admin Block. Please forward all RSVPs to the school office by 24 November so catering can be finalised.

SRC News - Ice Cream and Boardies Day



SRC ICECREAM DAY



Wednesday November 23

Ice Blocks and Ice Creams for sale at lunch time.

Prices from 50c to \$1.50

Don't forget to wear your 'boardies' on this day!

- Tuesday 13 December - SRC Movie Day
- Thursday 15 December - SRC Talent Quest

Charlotte's Web Evening Performance 7pm 08/12/11



Tickets are now available for the evening performance of our 2011 musical 'Charlotte's Web'. Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$5 per school aged children. CMPS children are not required to purchase a ticket as they are all performing on the evening.

Families may BYO chairs or hire a chair from our year 6 students for a cost of \$2 per chair. The P&C will also open Kid's Kitchen for light refreshments.



Uniform Shop - Special Opening Day

Our school uniform shop will be open on Monday 21 November from 9:00 - 9:30am. Come along and check out the quality backpacks with school logo now available. At \$36 this makes a great idea for a Christmas gift.

2011 Major Fundraising Raffle

Each year we hold a major fundraising raffle to raise funds to support our school's educational programs.

Watch out for your book of raffle tickets coming home very soon. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5's. The prize draw will be on Awards Presentation Day, Wednesday 14 December.

Prizes are:

- Australian Reptile Park Family Pass - 2 Adults & 2 children (3-15 years) entry pass
- Central Coast Leagues Club - \$30 gift voucher for the buffet, bistro or coffee shop
- Gosford City Ten Pin Bowl - Family Pass for 2 Adults & 2 children for 1 game plus shoe hire
- Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club - 4 Complimentary Golf Game vouchers
- Gosford RSL - 2 x \$40 Bistro gift vouchers
- Ourimbah RSL - 1 x \$20 bistro voucher
- 'Swans' signed Sherrin Football
- Apple Corer and cookbook

Great value for only \$2 per ticket!

***Sell a complete book of raffle tickets and your family will go into the draw for a meal voucher at Ourimbah RSL to the value of \$30.

Awards Presentation Day Invitation



All families will today receive an invitation to the Awards Presentation Day on Wednesday 14 December starting at 10:30am. Please mark this special day in your diary.

REMINDERS



Kindergarten Orientation Program

Monday 21 November is the last day for the preschool orientation program. The preschoolers have settled into school extremely well and will be well prepared for next year. They have participated in a range of activities including computers, reading, writing and art. The Year Five buddies have done an excellent job supporting the preschoolers and helping them to settle into the routine of school.

Mrs Mackay - K/1M Class Teacher

2012 Bus Pass Applications

Could families with a child going into year 3 in 2012 please return ASAP the bus pass application sent home a few weeks ago. This will ensure your child's bus pass is at school at the start of the 2012 school year.



IN THE SPOT LIGHT

Environment Day at Kulnura PS - Friday 11 November

The Environment Day at Kulnura School kept all of the students busy with many interesting activities. Students were involved in activities that involved them using their senses, their skills in drawing and a range of other skills. We were very pleased with the behaviour of the Central Mangrove students and their excellent participation in the activities.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Mrs Kostalas and our Keyboard Kids students who were awarded a 2nd place prize in the Primary School instrumental ensemble for the Eisteddfod on the Mountain. This group will also be performing at our Awards Presentation Day on December 14.

News from the DEC Website

Getting organised

On the School A to Z website, listen to Shannon Lush's advice about how to organise your household in a way that will leave you with more time to enjoy your family. Go to:

www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/web/dec-schools-a-z/homework-and-study/homework-tips/organising-the-home-for-a-smooth-school-run

Toy recycling

With Christmas fast approaching, have you considered donating your youngest child's unwanted toys to charity? Many families feel the pinch over this time and donations to all charities are much appreciated. A new resource for quality used goods is Second Chance Toys (www.secondchancetoys.com.au), an Australia-wide community initiative to rescue and recycle gently used plastic toys by donating them to children in need. Check out the website for more information, or donate at your local op shop, charity or drop off bin.

Awards and Certificates

TEACHER'S AWARDS: Term 4 Week 4



K/1M	Zachery	Excellent journal writing
	Nicholas	Excellent independent writing about silkworms
	Caitlin	Working well in class
	Teagan	Great sounding out when writing
2/3S	Ramani	Fantastic work on her Solar System project
	Michaela	Fantastic work on her Solar System project
	Thomas	Fantastic work on her Solar System project
	Abby	Always independently working and continuing with fast finisher activities
4/AH	Thalia	Outstanding sentences in spelling
	Keith	Exceptional effort in class especially in spelling and mental
	Declan	Striving and succeeding to improve in spelling
5/6M	Stephanie	Fantastic gymnastic skills
	Kiara	Great improvement in reading
	Ryan	Great bowling in 'Super 8' cricket

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS: Term 4 Week



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K/1M	Josie	Great independent writing
	Daniel	Great independent writing
2/3S	Sophie	Family fishbone diagram
	Alex	Family fishbone diagram
4A/H	Aaron	Handwriting
	Laila	Handwriting

GOLD AWARDS:

CLASS	DATE	NAME
2/3S	04-11-11	Lachlan

SILVER AWARDS:

CLASS	DATE	NAME
2/3S	26-09-11	Hamish

Parenting Course: Stepping Stones Triple P program

Stepping Stones Triple P is a parenting and family support strategy that aims to prevent severe behavioural, emotional and developmental problems in children by enhancing the knowledge, skills and confidence of parents. This is a state-funded program and no cost is involved. Sessions start early March 2012. More information is available from the school office or visit: www.triplep.net

Attachments with week include:

- Term 2 2012 School Development Day letter
- Presentation Day Invitation
- Year 6 Sausage Sizzle Lunch Order Form



Community Notices

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PEATS RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY HALL OPEN DAY

10am - 2pm 19th NOVEMBER 2011

The new hall will be open for all community members to come along and have a look inside this magnificent facility at Peats Ridge Public School. Come along between 10:00am and 2:00pm and meet some of the hard working hall committee members who have been working on the hall project for many, many years.

SCHOLASTIC END OF YEAR CLEARANCE SALE

40 - 90% off all children's books - Fill a box for \$40
 When: Wednesday 30/11/11, Thursday 01/12/11 & Friday 02/12/12
 Times: 9:00am to 5:30pm each day
 Where: Scholastic Warehouse, Gate 3, Building 2, Railway Crescent, Lisarow.
 Payment by cash, EFTPOS, cheque or Credit Card. Prices from \$1

Hockey Clinic over school holidays

- WHERE: Wyong Hockey Centre
- WHEN: Wednesday 18th January, 2012
- COST: \$5.00 (to be paid on the day)
- TIME: 9:00am - 12:00pm
- WHAT TO BRING: Hat, water and mouthguard (also sold in the canteen)

HOW TO REGISTER: Email your name, age, phone number to Emma Cobbin on emma.c@hockey NSW.com.au

Free Christmas Family Night @ Bunnings West Gosford

Thursday 8 December from 6:00 - 8:00pm -Booking essential - speak to one of the in-store team or visit www.bunnings.com.au
 A free night of festive fun:

- Santa in-store
- Kids DIY workshops
- Jumping castle
- Face painting

RETURN SLIPS

Charlotte's Web Ticket Request

Family Name: _____

Adults @ \$10 each - Number of tickets required: _____

Children @ \$5 each - Number of tickets required: _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

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Gymnastic Sport Program Permission/Payment Slip

I give permission for my child/children to participate in the Term 4 gymnastic sport program at a cost of \$3 per session for 8 weeks = \$24.

Child's name: _____

Child's name: _____

Child's name: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Term 4 Garden Working Bee Friday 9 December

Yes I /we will be available to assist with the Term 4 garden working bee on Friday 9 December starting at 9:30am

Name: _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS

If you wish to pay by cash or cheque please send it in an envelope to your child's teacher

If you wish to pay by credit card (FOR AMOUNTS \$10.00 AND OVER ONLY) please fill in the following information and place it in an envelope to your child's teacher.

Credit card payment can also be made by phone

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

Payment for: _____ Amount: _____

Visa MasterCard Expiry Date/.....

Card No: _____

Cardholder's Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only:

Authorisation number: _____ Receipt no: _____

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