Term 4, Week 5
Tuesday 5 November, 2013

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
The school is an exciting place to be with staff and students enjoying an amazing variety of learning experiences and opportunities. The Chess Tournament, Heart Beat Science Day, The Science Fair, Directors Choice Awards Ceremony and the presentation ceremony for Aboriginal Student Achievement Awards are all scheduled this week. I am very much looking forward to meeting and welcoming new families to the school on Wednesday during Kinder Orientation.

Last week at Assembly I witnessed the awesome talents of Mili and Khushi Dakshin who dazzled their audiences with a demonstration of ‘speed painting’. This was extremely impressive and I would like to thank the girls and their family for making their demonstration at the school so memorable!

CHILD PROTECTION
During Term 4 children are participating in Child Protection lessons as part of the Department of Education and Communities PDHPE Syllabus. It is not necessary for parents to provide written permission for children to participate in these invaluable mandatory lessons, however, we as a school community believe it is important for families to be informed. The Protective Behaviours program ensures that all students are learning and practicing the skills necessary to keep themselves safe in all situations. Students will be identifying and discussing concepts about feelings, self-talk, safe and unsafe situations, personal networks, recognising personal rights and identifying warning signals. You may find that your child has information they would like to discuss with you or questions to clarify their understanding that they would prefer to ask at home. Your child’s teacher will be pleased to discuss any questions that you may have about the Child Protection program.

SCHOOL EVALUATION
The process of planning for the 2014 school year is continuing. The school will complete our evaluation in the management area of Planning. I have published the Statement of Purpose in this Newsletter. All families are asked to complete the survey sent home with today’s Newsletter and return it to the office by 22 November. Surveys are anonymous and give you the chance to contribute to our school evaluation.

2013 YEAR BOOK
School staff are currently compiling class and special event pages for the production of our 2013 Year Book. This year the school will be producing a professionally, colour printed version of the Year Book similar to the 2011 version commemorating the school’s 10 Year Anniversary (Copies are currently available in the Office for viewing). It is anticipated that all students will make a contribution to the content of the Year Book. To assist in the negotiations for printing we need to establish how many copies will be ordered. The cost of the Year Book will be confirmed according to the number of copies needed, however we are confident that the maximum cost would be $20. Please indicate your interest in ordering a 2013 Year Book by completing the slip.
below and returning it to the Office by 15 November.

**INTEREST IN ORDERING 2013 YEAR BOOK**

Name: ____________________________
Number of Copies: _________________
Child’s Name: ______________________
Child’s Class: ______________________

Any member of the school community with a contact in printing is asked to speak with Mrs Flegg. We are currently negotiating with a number of local businesses and would welcome any additional options in producing our Year Book as a valuable, affordable momento for all of our students.

Mrs Flegg
Principal

**PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS**


Well done to these students! Your awards will be presented at your next scheduled assembly.

Special mention to Tyla Lawrence – 5/6M and Kristijan Pavlak – 3/4C who have reached the level of Principal’s Medallion. Congratulations!

**CALENDAR TERM 4 - 2013**

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**Christmas Carols Corner**

Our annual Christmas Carols event will take place this year on December 5th. We are again looking for local businesses to sponsor our carols and/or donate prizes for our Giant Christmas Raffle.

If you would like to sponsor our carols or donate a prize in our giant raffle, (or know of anyone who can) and receive FREE advertising, please let Mrs Miller know by the 14th November. We are planning a HUGE night and look forward to you ALL being there!!

WATCH THIS SPACE EACH WEEK for information about this year's Christmas Carols.

**Sponsorship For Presentation Day**

The end of the school year is fast approaching and planning is now well underway for our Annual Presentation Ceremony. On this day we celebrate our students’ achievements during 2013.

In accord with our Student Welfare Policy and to encourage community support for promoting excellence in our school, we would like to acknowledge outstanding students through the presentation of book awards. We are therefore seeking community and business sponsorship for these awards.

If you, or someone you know may be interested in sponsoring one of our annual awards through their business, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Mrs Wilson through the school office.

**Library News**

**Book Fair**

Don’t forget to bring your library bags to school, especially for the next four weeks! As part of our Book Fair celebrations, every student who borrows books from the library will go into the draw to win one of four $15 vouchers for the Book Fair in Week 8.
Chess Club News

On Monday 4 November, the Chess Club competed in the Annual Macarthur Junior Chess League. All children played exceptionally well and showed great sportsmanship. The teams’ final points were as follows:

Team 1 – 9 ½ Points
Cooper Lewis
Jack Wright
Shaun Trevithick

Team 2 – 9 points
Scott Davis
Adam McCarthy
Luke Robertson

Team 3 – 10 ½ points
Jake Hadley
Akhil Panchal
Jack O’Loughlin

Team 4 – 9 ½ points
Leyton Baker
Aaron Godwin
Matthew Harris

Team 5 – 8 points
Samuel Joya
Nicholas Napier-Bass
Braith Burchell

Team 6 – 12 points
Kane Harrington
Kyle Burland
Cooper O’Loughlin

Team 7 – 5 ½ points
Jordan Harrington
Erynn Collier
Hassan Al Abdallah (absent)

Team 8 – 8 points
Jack Abboud
Tyrell Paton
Lachlan Giddins

Congratulations children and a HUGE thank you to the parents who assisted with transportation – Ms Ditton and Mrs Harris.

Mrs. Garney - Chess Co-ordinator

Design a Cover ‘Carols by Glowlight’ Competition

Would you like your picture to be the cover of this year’s Carols by Glowlight?

This year we are running a competition for the best picture, your picture must include:
- The title ‘CHPS Carols By Glowlight’
- The date ‘Thursday 5th December’
- A great original design/picture
- On the back, your name, year level and class, those without a name will not be considered
- No bigger than A4

Once you have completed your entry place it in the box in the library. There will be a winner from K-2 and a winner from Yrs 3-6

The winner will have their design on the official Carols by Glowlight Program. Competition closes - Friday 15th November

If you have any questions please see Mr Weir.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held this Wednesday 6 November. We would love to see the familiar faces along with any new comers. The meeting starts at 7pm in the staffroom located in the Administration block.

If you are unable to attend but would like to have your say you can email the P&C with suggestions, questions or concerns at curranshill.p.c@gmail.com

We would love to hear from you.

Fun Day!

On the Wednesday 13 November (Week 6), Year 6 is hosting their annual Fun Day. There will be lots of fun with paid and free activities for you to participate in, such as:

- Go kart rides (push cart)
- Hair spray...Face painting...Nail Polish
- Dress the mannequin
- Disco
- And many more.... Bring your pocket money or do extra jobs around the house for small change......but don't miss out on the Fun Day Frenzy! See you there!

Inclusions with today’s newsletter
Parent Survey on School Planning
Narellan Community Pre School flyer