Term 4, Week 9  
Tuesday 3rd December, 2013

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

School Spectacular was an extraordinary showcase of the wonderful talent of students in NSW Public Schools. I hope that many of you had the opportunity to see the telecast of the event on the television if you didn’t attend a performance. I was able to attend on Friday night and could not have been prouder of the students and staff from Currans Hill Public School. Congratulations to Tia Tuerling, Montana Freeman, Jasmine Ayoub-Everingham, Holli Harrington, Ashleigh Abboud, Jamie-Lee Jeans, Leitia Nasko, Tahlia Huygens and Dayna O’Loughlin who had the amazing opportunity to be part of this special event. Mrs Harrington and Mrs Heath, with support from the families of the girls, worked tirelessly. I can’t speak highly enough of their dedication and willingness to share their passion for dancing and provide this memorable experience to our talented group of children. Thank you just doesn’t seem enough!

2013 YEAR BOOK
The 2013 Year Book will be available to purchase at a cost of $20. For families who completed Expressions of Interest payments can now be made to the Office. It is anticipated that the Year Books will be delivered to the school in the next week for those who would prefer to wait to see what they are purchasing. I am confident you will not be disappointed. It is a great memento of the 2013 school year at Currans Hill. There will be a very limited number of additional copies offered for purchase in the last week on a first come first served basis.

Swim Scheme finished last Friday. Congratulations to all of the children who participated to improve their skills in this valuable life skill. I would like to extend my appreciation to all staff who supported the great success of Swim School.

2014 ‘COMPETITORS ONLY’ SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Planning for the 2014 Swimming Carnival is well advanced due to the timing of the carnival in the first week of Term 1 2014. Please note children attending the carnival have indicated they will compete in the races on the day.

I would like to remind families of the importance of maintaining our expectation of children proudly wearing full school uniform as we approach the end of the year. I am particularly concerned about the high number of children who are wearing fluoro coloured shoes and socks. It is expected that children wear black shoes and white socks with joggers permitted for sport days. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

It is disappointing to report that the school bins are being used to ‘dump rubbish’. The school pays for this service and additional rubbish being placed in the bins by the community is proving difficult to manage. Please do not use these bins for your personal disposal of rubbish and report any unauthorised use you become aware of directly to Mrs Flegg.
LOST PROPERTY
Items will be cleared out of the Lost Property in the few next weeks as we conclude the school year. Items that are clearly marked with children’s names will be returned to them. I encourage you to take the time to collect any items that may belong to your child. The lost property is located outside the Office.

CLEANING DAY
We are very lucky to have 2 wonderful cleaners doing a great job at Curran’s Hill. To show Jenny and Veronica how much we appreciate their hard work, all children are invited to participate in Cleaning Day on Tuesday 17 December. The children will clean their chairs/tote trays, etc in preparation for the 2014 school year and are asked to bring a cloth or scrubbing brush to help with this job. Our General Assistant, Robert Herrmann, will assist with the gurney where needed. All cleaning will be completed on grass areas to minimise water waste. Children can wear Mufti clothes for the day. There is no cost for this school service activity.

Mrs Flegg
Principal

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PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have reached the level of Principal’s Award:


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

IMPORTANT NOTICE
Term 1, 2014 commences for children on Wednesday 29 January. If your children will not be returning on this day for any reason e.g. extended family holiday, we request notification in writing please. This will ensure that your child’s class placement is held until their return.

SPORTS CAPTAINS 2014
The election of Sports Captains for 2014 will be held on the afternoon of Presentation Day (Tuesday 10 December). Students wishing to stand for election should prepare a short speech on why they would make a good leader!

K-2 Christmas Assembly
The K-2 Christmas Assembly will be held on Thursday 12th December commencing at 2pm. Children are invited to wear a Christmas accessory eg. Santa hat, reindeer antlers, ribbons etc. Parents are welcome to join us for this festive celebration.

Pre School Story Time
The last session of Pre School Story Time will be held this Friday 6 December. Please return all loaned books on or before this day. Thank you.
Mrs. Wilson
On the move?
Are you leaving Currans Hill Public School at the end of the 2013 school year? If so, we need to know! Please advise the school office as soon as possible to assist with our planning for 2014.

22 sleeps ‘til Christmas but only 2 sleeps ‘til.....
*C.H.P.S.*
*Carols by Glowlight*

Thursday 5th December
From 5:30pm

Glowsticks  Carol Singing
Musical/Drama Items  Ice cream Van
Jumping Castle  Visit from Santa

Performances by K-2 & 3-6 CHPS choir and dance groups, Year 2 recorder group, KH and 5/6M

As well as a “special guest” from Mt Annan High School.

Special thanks to our generous sponsors and contributors...

**Uniform Shop News 2014**
The uniform shop will be open on the Staff Development Day
Tuesday 28th January 2014 from 9am – 12 noon ONLY

EFTPOS available $20 minimum purchase.
$1 fee for credit cards. We will also accept any donations of old school uniforms for our 2nd hand clothing pool.

**Last Assemblies For 2013**
The last of the regular class assemblies for the year will be held as follows:
- Week 9 (6 Dec) – Primary
- Week 9 (6 Dec) - Infants

**Toys ‘n’ Tucker - Anglicare**
Through Toys ‘n’ Tucker you can share the joy of Christmas with people in need. Donations of toys and non-perishable food items can be received right up to the evening of the Carols on Thursday 5 December. Thanks for your support.

**Help Needed PLEASE....**
We are looking for a family who may have a trailer, truck or ute and who could assist us in transporting staging for the Christmas Carols night. It will need to be picked up from Mount Annan High School and brought to Currans Hill PS on Thursday morning and returned to the High School on Friday. If you are able to assist us on either of these days, please contact Mrs Miller at the school or leave your details at the front office.

**Reminder – Fun Day Payment**
A reminder that End of Year Fun Day permission notes and payments are due. Please note no late payments or permissions can be accepted after the dates below.
- Years 3 & 4 – Monday 9th Dec
- All other grades – Friday 6th Dec

**Inclusions with today’s newsletter**
- Stage 1 Christmas Party note