A Newsletter for the School and Wider Community of Currans Hill

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PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Camden Show
It was wonderful to see so many staff and students enjoying the show last weekend. Congratulations to our Dance Group and Choir for their wonderful performance and well done to the Art Club who won 2nd place for their Scarecrow which is now proudly displayed in the school foyer.

School Safety
Can I remind all staff and parents that bikes and scooters are not to be ridden on school grounds. The pathways leading into the school grounds can be quite congested in the mornings and afternoons so accidents are more likely to occur. Students should walk their bike or scooter to the gate before riding. Please remember to also wear your helmets.

Student Welfare
Please be advised that we have had a reported incident of “Slap Cheek”. In children the infection causes a mild illness with little or no fever but a distinctive redness of the cheeks (hence slapped cheek disease). This may be accompanied by a rash that fades within a week but can reoccur over several weeks on exposure to heat or sunlight. It is spread by coughing or sneezing and is highly infectious. Parents should notify the school if your child is diagnosed with this illness.

Harmony Day
This Thursday is Harmony Day. Harmony Day is a federal government initiative promoting Australia’s culturally diverse and cohesive society. The day also coincides with the UN’s International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The continuing message of Harmony Day is that everyone belongs. It’s about community participation, inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

In 2013 the theme is: Many Stories - One Australia. Our school will be involved in a range of in class activities and I thank Mrs Bui Viet for her organisation of this wonderful initiative.

Sport Update
Today Mr Weir escorted some Stage 3 AFL students to Camden for the Paul Kelly Cup. Mrs Wear had the pleasure of also accompanying the Zone Swimming team and we wish both teams all the best in their competition.

Mrs Wilson
Relieving Principal

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Reminder High School Applications
Expression of interest forms are due back this Friday 22nd March to the office.
**PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS**


Special mention to Ben B – 5HR, Kushi D – 4W, Ariana W – 2/3G who have reached the level of Principal’s Medallion. Congratulations!

**Teacher Professional Learning**

At Currans Hill PS the staff has an ongoing commitment to professional learning. The staff benefits from attending inservices, in curriculum areas, that assist them in providing quality learning opportunities for the students in their class. This week the following staff will be attending professional learning:

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**EASTER HAT PARADE**

**THURSDAY**

28th March

9.30am

Children are invited to participate in the K-2 Easter Hat Parade by creating their own hat, head band or mask in a simple Easter Theme.

Random prizes will be awarded throughout. This is not a competition for the best hat, but rather, an activity based on participation. The P&C Easter Raffle will be drawn at the end of the Parade.

**Scarecrow**

Last Friday at the Camden Show Stephanie W and Mrs Garney accepted the second place ribbon on behalf of the Art Club for our scarecrow entry.

Congratulations all Art Club members on this great achievement. The scarecrow will be proudly on display in our foyer. We would love you to come and take a look.

Mrs Garney

**Harmony Day Celebrations**

**Thursday 21st March**

Harmony Day will be held this Thursday 21st March and as part of our day’s activities, children may wear something orange such as a headband, ribbon or socks.

Mrs Bui Viet

**EASTER EGG RAFFLE**

Don’t forget to return your Easter Egg Raffle tickets for your chance to win some amazing Easter Egg Baskets.

There will be lots of baskets available to win, thanks to your generous donations.

All tickets sold or unsold must be returned to the office by Friday 22nd March.

**Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop would like to send their continued apologies for the missing sports shirts. We are doing our best to chase the supplier.

**P&C Easter Egg Wrapping**

If you could spare a few hours on Friday 22nd March, the P&C will be making Easter baskets for the raffle. Please meet at the office from 9:00am if you are able to assist.
**Year 6 Fundraising Committee**

In conjunction with our 3 – 6 Cross Country last Wednesday, Year 6 held a BBQ to raise funds for their farewell. We raised $372.40. Mrs Garney and Year 6 would like to thank Mr Water and Mr & Mrs Wilson who worked tirelessly on the day to distribute the sausages.

Thank you to everyone who supported us.

Mrs Garney and The Fundraising Committee

**YEAR 3-6 CROSS COUNTRY**

Last Wednesday, we held our annual Cross Country Carnival. Congratulations to all the children who participated in the event and a huge thank you to all our parents who helped on the day.

A great effort was made by all the house captains and vice captains who tirelessly lead their teams in cheers throughout the morning. The winning house was Emerton.

The results are as follows:

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<td>3rd – Letitia N</td>
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All children will be presented with their ribbons and the age champions announced at the assembly on Friday 22nd March.

Mrs Garney
Cross Country Co-ordinator

**Getting to Know You**

Year 6 Parliament have decided to interview some staff at CHPS so we can get to know them better, here is Mrs Bowie’s interview.

This is Mrs Bowie’s second year at Curran Hill Public School. She loves working at CHPS with all the other staff and her best memory is last year’s carols by candle light where the community came together and watched performances and had a lovely time. Mrs Bowie loves to read, go for walks and to the movies and play with her grandson in her free time. She has 2 favourite radio stations smooth FM and 702. Her favourite food is roast lamb and she supports the West Tigers.

**Infants Assembly**

This week the infants assembly will be held on Friday 22nd March at 2:15pm and KP will be performing an item. We would love parents/carers to come along.

**Easter Scripture Service**

A combined Easter Scripture Service will be held on Wednesday 27th March at 9:15am in the school hall.

Cre-8-tive Corner Kindergarten
New Hours

Cre-8-tive Corner Kindergarten have acknowledged the changing needs of our community and from 2nd April, 2013 our new hours of 7:00am to 6:00pm will commence.

Please note that our extended hours will in no way interfrere with our well known and valued school readiness program. Our centre’s focus and format will remain Preschool focused. We are NOT becoming a long day care centre but a Preschool with flexible and stress free hours for parents.

Please pop in or telephone 4647 2625 to enroll your child now for 2013 in our licensed, accredited, friendly and educational centre.

Included with today’s newsletter
- Premiers Reading Challenge and Book Bonus Note
- Individual Student Login for Portal
- Book Bonus Bookmark
- Sport in Schools Australia Flyer