Term 2, Week 3
Tuesday 14th May, 2013

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

There was great excitement at school this week with Mrs Harrington and Mrs Heath being informed that their application to perform in this year’s Schools Spectacular had been successfully accepted. Good Luck to the children who are currently auditioning to be part of the performance group for this prestigious event!

I had the great pleasure of attending the Cross Country last Friday and was extremely impressed by the participation of the children and their sportsmanship in supporting the other members of the team. It was very pleasing to see the high number of parents who had attended. Your support and assistance was greatly appreciated by the staff and the children.

ABSENCE NOTES

If your child has missed school, you are required by law to write a note with the following information:
- include your child’s name and class
- include the date/s and number of days your child was away
- explain why your child was away
- include other information as needed.

If your child is going to be away for more than three days please let the school office know. You will still need to write a note when your child returns. Absences for reasons such as some of the following may not be justified:
- Frequent car problems
- Frequent late train/bus
- Airport/Visitors from overseas or other states
- Other member of the family is sick
- Hospital Visits to relatives or friends
- Head Lice

Absences for reasons such as some of the following may be justified:
- Unavoidable medical or dental appointments (encourage appointments outside school hours, or close to home time…)
- Religious holiday
- Urgent family situation (funeral…)
- Sick or infectious disease

Children are not absent and they should be marked present if they are:
- Representing school at approved activities
- Attending alternative programs/schools
- Attending Stewart House
- Temporarily attending another school due to family circumstances

Mrs Flegg
Principal

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS


Special mention to Lydia O – 5HR, Alexis F – 3W, Tyrell P – 5/6M, Maddison R – 5D 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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## Peer Support

During Peer Support groups of kids from Kindy to Year 5 come together in a specified classroom to learn new skills, meet new friends and have fun. Year 6 and some Year 5’s lead the group with different activities. Yesterday, Monday 13th May, we learnt all about courage and having a go. The kids participated in things that made them have a go. We balanced pencils, shared what we would like to learn to do and played a game that made us motivated and excited to have a go. Some kids came to me and said that they felt quite excited about Peer Support and would love to see me next Peer Support time.

Tahlia H – 5/6G

## SSW Regional Hockey Gala Day

Last Tuesday, Shaun Trevithic from 5/6G represented our school in SSW Regional Hockey Gala day. The boys were undefeated winning all 3 of their games.

- Game 1 – 3 – 0 win
- Game 2 – 5 – 0 win
- Game 3 – 12 – 0 win

Shaun contributed to this fantastic result by scoring a goal from a fullback position. Furthermore, from the boys who played Shaun was selected to represent the Region at the State carnival.

Congratulations, Shaun we are extremely proud of your achievements and wish you well at the next level.

Mrs Garney  
Sports Co-ordinator

## Sport in Schools Program & School Photos next Wednesday 22nd May 2013

Due to the school photos, ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM including black shoes next Wednesday. Students will need to bring their sports shoes to change into before their Sports session.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

## “YGAP” 5cent Friday

Every year Currans Hill students and teachers choose a charity to support for the rest of the year and this year, Year 6 have chosen a charity called “YGAP”. This cause supports children in Rwanda, Cambodia and Australia. To support “YGAP”, every Friday we will be collecting loose change; this is called 5cent Friday. The fundraiser will start this Friday 17th May.

## Year 5 Opportunity Classes for 2014

Parents/Guardians of Year 4 students,

If you would like your child to attend an opportunity class in Year 5 in 2014 online applications are available now. All applications should be made online through an internet connection at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement). A limited number of application packages will be provided through the school for those parents who do not have internet access, however these applications will only be available from the 7th May. Parents will be able to apply online between 29th April and 17th May 2012. If you require any further details please contact Mr Weir.

Thank you
**Transition to School**

Transition to school visits will commence in Week 4, Term 2. They will be held on the following Wednesday from 12:40pm – 1:10pm
- 22nd May (Week 4)
- 19th June (Week 8)

There will be different activities each visit. If you have a school aged child intending on starting school in 2014 you are welcome to attend with them at this time. Please meet Mrs Pearce under the COLA area outside the school hall/canteen.

Mrs Pearce

**Uniform Shop News**

Gala Day socks have arrived! If you can’t make it to the store leave an envelope with your child’s name and class and ‘Gala Day socks’ with $12 in the secure payment box in the office, and we will send them to your child’s class.

**PSSA Gala Days**

The first of our Term 2 Gala Days is on this Friday the 17th May. Please ensure your child has all the protective equipment required, a hat, lunch and a drink.

Venues are as follows:
- Soccer A’s – Onslow Oval, Camden
- Soccer B’s – Onslow Oval, Camden
- Soccer Girls – Belgenny Reserve, Camden
- Hockey – Narellan Hockey Complex, Narellan
- Netball – Kirkham Park, Elderslie
- AFL – Kirkham Oval, Elderslie

**Woolworths Earn & Learn Program**

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program has started and will run until 9th June. You can collect 1 sticker for every $10 spent and place on the points sheet available from Woolworths. A Woolworths box is located just inside the office foyer door, once your points sheet is full please place in the box.

We thank you for your support in this program however please do not change your shopping habits purely to collect the stickers.

Thank you
P&C

**HEAD LICE**

We have had several reports of head lice. Please be vigilant and check your child regularly. If your child becomes infected please treat promptly to inhibit the spread of lice.

**Autism: Help for Picky Eaters!**

Children on the Spectrum are notoriously difficult to feed. They can be very selective about their food choices often influenced by sensory processing difficulties. Their diets can become very limited, leading to nutrient deficits. This will impact on their physical health, mental wellbeing and brain function.

This nutrition workshop will be informative, practical and interactive in nature to help you widen your child’s food choices and identify what nutrients are missing from their diet.

When: Wednesday 5th June 10:30 – 12:30
Where: CatholicCare, 35a Cordeaux St Campbelltown
Cost: $15 includes morning tea
Bookings Essential: Kath on 4254 9332 (Mon/Wed/Thur) or via email kath.walsh@catholiccare.woll.catholic.org.au

**FREE fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier and happier!**

*Mount Annan Leisure Centre*
*Mon & Wed 4:30 – 6:30pm*

Do you have children 7 to 13 years old?
Are you worried about them being overweight?

Call 1800 780 900 toll free to enrol

**Included with today’s newsletter:**
- YMCA Flyers