Term 3, Week 7
Tuesday 27 August, 2013

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

We have certainly had another busy and exciting week at Currans Hill Public School! The willingness of teachers to provide exceptional learning experiences certainly enhances enjoyment and success for our children in their learning. The Book Week Parade last week was a wonderful event with students, staff, families and the wider community coming together to enjoy the activities provided. Our thanks to Ms Formica and her committee for their outstanding organisation of the day! I am very much looking forward to the Opera House performance of our recorder group on Wednesday evening and wish them all the very best for this exceptional experience.

I cannot stress enough the importance of children arriving at school on time. Any family experiencing difficulty with regular, on time attendance is encouraged to contact the school and we will attempt to find solutions to the difficulties you are facing.

CRUNCH N SIP

The Crunch N Sip program is a highly successful initiative to encourage children to improve their daily intake of fresh fruit and vegetables and to drink plenty of water. You can support this initiative by making sure that your child has their “Fruit Break” snack every day and an extra bottle of water to have available in the classroom.

POSITIVE STRESS MANAGEMENT

Students who manage best at school:

- eat sensibly
- have planned time for study
- are organised
- learn and practise simple techniques for relaxation

If you think your child isn’t coping with stress, please contact the school counsellor or your family doctor.

More information can be found at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/highschool/stressexams.php

I would like to remind all parents of the importance of returning permission notes and payments to the school by the final day for payment. For the safety of our children and to enable successful planning final payment dates MUST be enforced. The school will not accept late payments and all families need to meet these deadlines to avoid disappointment for our children. I encourage any families experiencing difficulty in this area to approach me before the date for final payment and attempt to negotiate a solution to your issues. I thank you all for your anticipated cooperation!

Thank you to the high number of families who have completed and returned their Health Care Forms. The competition for the first classes to return ALL of their forms is still to be decided, however many classes are very close to winning! If you have not yet returned your forms it is important that you do so as a matter of urgency to allow our school to meet the requirements of the DEC.

Mrs Flegg
Principal

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have reached the level of Principal’s Award:
Isabella Trampevski – 3W, Talia Tierney-
Well done to these students! Your awards will be presented at your next scheduled assembly.

Special mention to Aleeyah Lee – 3/4C and Blake Pilsworth – 2/3G who have reached the level of Principal’s Medallion. Congratulations!

**CALENDAR TERM 3 - 2013**

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**Teacher Professional Learning**

At Currrans Hill PS the staff has an ongoing commitment to professional learning. The staff benefits from attending in-service’s, 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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**P&C Election BBQ and Cake Stall**

Our P&C will be running a BBQ and Cake stall at the school on Election day Saturday 7th September. We are seeking assistance from our school community in two ways.

1. We require parents to give an hour to help on the stall during the day. If you have some time to help please fill in your name on the sign on sheet in the front office.
2. We need cakes, slices etc to sell at the cake stall. All donations can be dropped off at the uniform shop on Friday afternoon or first thing Saturday morning.

The P&C thank you for your support.

**Lost Property**

We have a large number of lost property items, in particular jumpers. If your child has lost an article of clothing please check the bin located outside the office. As a reminder, please ensure that all your children’s items are labelled so if they are lost they can be returned to their rightful owner.

**Library News**

The sun shone brightly for us at our biennial Book Week Parade on Thursday. Everyone turned out in some amazing costumes, Mr Russell Matheson presented each of our Kindergarten students with a new book, the library was busy with parents and students at lunchtime, our Year 6 students had a bit of Harlem Shaking going on in the library and the sausage sizzle was yummy. The theme this year was ‘Read Across the Universe’ and we definitely looked like we were from all parts of the universe. Well done Currrans Hill. A big thank you must go to Mrs Wilson, Mrs Thompson, Mr Geoff Tomkinson, Mrs Pearce and Mr Kennedy for all their help with the Sausage Sizzle. Thank you also to Mrs Thomson for being my official photographer. All money raised from the Sausage Sizzle will go towards extra shelving for the library.

Ms Formica
**Oz Tag Gala Day Report**

The Oz Tag Gala Day teams had a great start to the 2013 season. Both teams showed great sportsmanship, encouragement and skill. Out of their 6 games, the senior team came away with 4 wins, 1 draw and a loss. The junior teams won 3 of their 6 games. A fantastic effort from all, I am looking forward to our next two gala days! Well done guys!!

Miss Clarke

**Cricket Gala Day Report**

What an amazing start back to Summer Gala Days. Last Friday I took a Senior and Junior mixed team to the first of our Cricket Gala Days. Both teams were undefeated.

Congratulations to all students who represented our school and showed exemplary sportsmanship on the day.

Mrs Garney

**Last Chance to Order School Photos**

A display of Captains, House Captains, Library Monitors and Whole School Photos can be viewed in the school noticeboard.

If you would like to place an order for any of these photos please collect an order envelope from the school office. Cost is $15 each for the whole school photo and $18 each for Captains, Library Monitors and House Captains.

All envelopes and money must be returned to the office by Friday 30 August.

**Kindergarten Enrolments 2014**

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**DO YOU HAVE A CHILD READY TO START KINDERGARTEN IN 2014?**

WE HAVE KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT PACKAGES NOW AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

IF YOU HAVE A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOUR WHOSE CHILD WILL START SCHOOL NEXT YEAR, PLEASE LET THEM KNOW THAT THEY CAN COLLECT THEIR ENROLMENT PACKAGE NOW.

IF YOU HAVE A CHILD READY TO BEGIN KINDERGARTEN NEXT YEAR WHO HAS A SIBLING ALREADY AT SCHOOL, PLEASE COMPLETE THE TEAR OFF SLIP AT THE BOTTOM OF THE NEWSLETTER AND WE WILL FORWARD A 'GHOSTED' ENROLMENT FORM TO YOU.

PROOF OF BIRTH DATE, ADDRESS AND IMMUNISATION STATUS ARE REQUIRED TO BE LODGED WITH ENROLMENT FORMS.

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Included with today’s newsletter:
- OSHC YMCA Flyer
- School Planting Program – 2G, 2R, 2A, 2JB, Yr 1’s from K/1T
- Get Active Each Day Flyer

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**Kindergarten 2014**

Please forward a ‘ghosted’ enrolment form for my child who is to begin Kindergarten at Currans Hill Public School in 2014.

Child’s Name: ___________________________  D.O.B. ___________________  M/F (please circle)

Name of most recently enrolled Sibling: ________________________________

Sibling’s Class: ________________  Sibling’s D.O.B ________________

Signature of Parent / Carer: ________________________________________