PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

What an absolute pleasure it was to accompany the students and Mrs F. Thomson to the Flag Ceremony at Chester Hill High School last week. The children represented our school proudly and made the most of this amazing opportunity. Congratulations to you all for making this such a brilliant experience.

I attended the local final of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition at Mawarra Public School and was extremely proud of the speakers from our school. I congratulate them on their magnificent efforts! Our Year 3 and 4 representatives were Jack Abboud (highly commended by the Adjudicator) and Kane Herbert and from Year 5 and 6 Rebekah Lord and Charlotte Snowden. You were all very confident and did an amazing job! I would also like to thank Mrs Prakesh for her organisation and preparation with the children as their Public Speaking coach.

I am very much looking forward to attending the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Opera House on Wednesday night. I congratulate the students, teachers and families for all of their efforts in preparing for this memorable experience. I am certain it will be a night to remember!

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS
All students will be given their Semester 1 Report to take home on Thursday. Please take the time to read and talk about the report with your child. Parent Teacher Interviews will be held in Week 3 of Term 3.

STAFF NEWS
Ms Formica has taken extended leave for Terms 3 and 4. Her role as our Teacher Librarian is highly specialised and a challenging position to fill. I will confirm her replacement when a final decision has been made. Ms Formica is a highly valued member of our school team and we certainly wish her all the very best.

Mrs O’Loughlin will be on Long Service Leave for Weeks 1 and 2 of Term 3. She will be replaced in KO by Mrs Harris.

Mr Weir is eagerly anticipating the arrival of his third child any day now and will be taking leave. He will be replaced by Ms Ryan for the first 2 weeks of Term 3. I am sure that you join with me in wishing Mr Weir and his family every happiness.

Mr Kennedy, one of our 2 General Assistants, has accepted a transfer and will not return to Currans Hill after the holiday break. We thank him for his work at Currans Hill and wish him all the best at his new school. Mr Herrmann has accepted the opportunity to replace Mr Kennedy and will be our full time General Assistant from the start of Term 3.

LOCK DOWN DRILL
A very successful Lock Down Drill was completed at the school yesterday. Everybody safely followed instructions to be inside and secure in Blocks, close blinds and continue with class programs.
would like to congratulate the staff and students who followed the correct procedure within a few minutes of the drill being signaled. Well done everyone!

It is important for the school to ensure that our safety procedures are well known by the community and practised by our children.

The school is required to have an ‘Off Site’ Evacuation Plan. Families are informed that in the case of a situation where the school is directed to evacuate, we will assemble at Jack Nash Reserve.

CURLRANS HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL WEBSITE
The school website is continually updated and is a great place to visit online. You can visit the website at:

TECHNOTHON
Pizza Party class prize closes tomorrow Wednesday June 25, however we will continue to accept any outstanding donations after that date. The K-2 and 3-6 class who collect the most sponsorship will have Pizza provided for lunch on Friday. Your support of our fundraising efforts to meet the cost of technologies currently being used by our children is greatly appreciated.

HOLIDAY SECURITY
Families who live near the school can help in protecting our school during the holiday break, by ringing School Security on 1300 880 021 and reporting anything suspicious. Children are reminded that they are not permitted to enter the school in the holidays as it is not safe.

As this is the last Newsletter for the Term, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and relaxing holiday!

Mrs Flegg
Principal

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following student who has reached the level of Principal’s Award: Jordan Smith – 1JB Well done! Your award will be presented at your next scheduled assembly.

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Pyjama / Movie Day

Thank you for your support of Year 6 Pyjama/Onesie/Movie Day. This fundraising event raised $706.05 to support the cost of end of year activities and was lots of fun! Year 6 Fundraising Committee

End of Term Reward Day

Our end of term Reward Day for STAR will be held on Friday 27 June from 11:50 – 1:20pm. All students who have not been in the Reflection Room three times this term will be eligible to participate. This term students are allowed to bring electronic devices such as a DS, ipod, etc or a board game to play during reward time. All handheld devices will remain in the classrooms during lunch and recess breaks. All care will be taken to ensure the security of devices. Teachers will monitor the games being played by students to ensure they are appropriate for school. There are DEC policies that need to be adhered to and your support in ensuring only age appropriate material is bought to school would be appreciated. Class teachers will also have electronic games available such as Wii on the whiteboard for students to use along with Karaoke and Wii which will also be set up in the Hall. Well done Currans Hill. You are all STARS!!!!
Multicultural Flag Ceremony at Chester Hill High School

On Thursday 19 June seven lucky students got picked to attend a multicultural Flag Day Ceremony at Chester Hill High School. We got split up into two cars, Mrs Thomson’s and Mrs Flegg’s. Excitedly we got into the cars and put on our seatbelts. We were chatting in the cars as we drove to Chester Hill. On our way we saw heaps of schools and high schools.

Just as we got there Mrs Thomson parked her car and we went into Chester Hill High School. Together we walked to the hall. While we were walking we saw a classroom which was for people who don’t really understand English or how to speak English. When we arrived at the hall we took a picture so we could show you. Walking to the hall we gossiped a little but then the ceremony started. We had a lovely welcome by the Deputy Principal as the Principal could not make it. Afterwards we had another welcome by the School Captain Romario Odeesho. He told us a little bit about himself and his story. Soon after, we looked at fabulous performances by the students, we watched so many performances that by the time it was the end it was around 3:40. We had such a great experience.

By Hetavi Panchal 5/6T

Our Excursion by Year Two – 1/2BK

Happily waiting amongst the loud noise, our class sat up in the COLA. As the bus arrived, we walked quickly because we were excited. After a while, a song came on and everyone started to sing “What makes you beautiful”. It was funny because Paige, Emma, Brydie and I were doing funny actions and Mrs Collins started to laugh. The time went quickly because Brydie and I were doing funny jokes together.

Approximately one hour later, we were at Sydney standing on the deck of Darling Harbour. I had a little nervous chat to my travel buddy Nicholas. I did that while I chewed my recess FAST! It had to be fast because the seagulls were gliding in to get our meal. We were outside the COOL Imax, glaring at the seagulls anxiously…so we didn’t stay long.

After collecting our glasses inside Imax, we hurried up the stairs excitedly looking for somewhere to sit. On the way up the stairs, we had to hold our glasses..."Don’t put them on until the movie starts" said Mrs Wilson. The movie started and I saw a myriad of rainbow fish hiding in amongst the coral. There were lots of arms waving because the kids were trying to touch the animals! They were like jellyfish tentacles waving in the sea. I didn’t think it would be a good movie but surprisingly it was an amazing movie!

Inside the watery aquarium, my group leader and I looked at the myriad of scaly fish swimming around us. A bumpy baby octopus swam smoothly in a huge tank. As we kept walking, we noticed the skeleton mouth of a shark. Our group had a photo inside it! Next we kept walking until we saw a touch pool. I touched a blue starfish inside the water on the smooth bone coloured sand.

On the bus on the way home, it was a nice calm ride so a lot of people fell asleep! There wasn’t much sound or chatter. I laid down because no one was sitting next to me, as Nicholas and I had a disagreement. It was a long peaceful ride home. Mrs Budd had to keep closing the windows so the pollution didn’t get in the bus. I bet it was annoying. It was a colossal day.

By Bronte, Blake, Amara, Brydie and Tyler G

Drop Off Zone Safety

Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle

Penalty = $147 + 2 Demerit Points
This zone is operational from 8:00am – 9:30am and 2:30pm – 4:00pm each school day directly outside the school gates. Please adhere to these parking restrictions to ensure a smooth flow of traffic at peak times.
Thank you

HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE HOLIDAY!

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