Principals Report

Kindergarten Orientation

We look forward to meeting everyone at next week’s first orientation session. We will provide parents with information regarding the school and give parents the opportunity to clarify any issues they may have also. If you have not enrolled your child for Kindergarten for 2016 as yet, please contact the office at your earliest convenience. It is important that we have details regarding enrolments to assist in a smooth transition to school next year.

Moving School?

If you are moving from the area at the end of the year and will be attending a new school in 2016, we would appreciate you informing the office early this term. As the term progresses we commence planning for 2016 classes so this information is of great assistance to us. Additionally, if you are going to be on extended leave at the start of next year and won’t be returning to school in the first few weeks please apply for approved leave and let the office know of this situation. We will then ensure your child is placed appropriately into a class when they return to school.

Mathematics Transition Project

We have been successful in a joint application for a Mathematics Transition to High School Project along with Oran Park PS, Mt AnnanPS and Mt AnnanHS. The four schools will have staff working together on this initiative starting later this term and into 2016.

New High School Principal Visit

Mr Bradley Mitchell, the newly appointed Mt Annan HS Principal will attend our P&C meeting next Wednesday, 24th October to introduce himself to our community. Mr Mitchell is a highly experienced education leader and Principal and we look forward to a strong working relationship with Mt Annan HS and Mr Mitchell into the future. I will be at the State Principals Conference next week so Mrs Wilson will be attending the P&C meeting in my absence.

Tiger Shield

Thank you to Ms Wear and Ms Ryan and the parents and students who attended the Tiger Shield soccer last Saturday. This is a big commitment from all concerned and I thank them for giving our students the opportunity to participate in this Saturday competition.

Bike Helmets

A reminder for all children riding bikes or scooters to school that helmets should be worn to protect yourself against serious injury. I recall a year six student from Narellan Vale PS (when I was working there the last two years) who had a bike accident. No-one else was involved as he had a bike malfunction and came off his bike on the way to school. The only thing that saved him from serious injury was the helmet on his head! Parents, please discuss this with your child.

Mr Wray
Principal

Principal's Awards

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


Special mention to Drew McClelland - 6G who has reached the level of Principal's Medallion – well done!

Well done to all these students whose awards will be presented at their next scheduled Assembly.

Payment Reminders

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ICAS Congratulations

Congratulations to all our students Yrs 2 - 6 who participated in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). Currrans Hill students received some excellent results this year and the last of the ICAS certificates will be given out at Assembly.

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K-2 Athletics Carnival

This Wednesday 14th October, students in K-2 will be heading to Jack Nash Oval for their Athletics Carnival. Students will be running a cross country race, sprint races and enjoying novelty sports events. Parents are welcome to join us to watch the fun and have a picnic lunch. The P&C will be running a sausage sizzle and selling drinks and snacks. Looking forward to a fun day!

- Sausage Sandwich $2
- Cans, Water $2
- Poppers $1
- Chips and lollies will also be available at various prices.

When: Wednesday 14th October
Time: from 9.15
Where: Jack Nash Oval

Events order: Cross Country, Running Races, Novelty events

Presentation Day

The end of the school year is fast approaching and planning is now well underway for our Annual Presentation Ceremony. On this day we celebrate our students’ achievements during 2015.

In accord with our Student Welfare Policy and to encourage community support for promoting excellence in our school, we would like to acknowledge outstanding students through the presentation of book awards. We are therefore seeking community and business sponsorship for these awards.
If you, or someone you know may be interested in sponsoring one of our annual awards through their business, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Mrs Wilson through the school office.

Toys 'n' Tucker

Once again, this year we have decided to support ‘Toys 'n' Tucker’ Christmas appeal. Toys 'n' Tucker is an Anglicare initiative which provides Christmas food and gifts to thousands of families who would otherwise go without.

If you would like to help those in need with a toy or a non perishable food donation, there will be a box situated in the school foyer from next week. Please, place your Christmas foods and toys there before 9th December, when Anglicare will call and collect our gifts. We hope you can help support this worthy cause.

Thank you
Mrs Burke

Selective High School

Selective high schools are one strategy used by the Department of Education and Communities to cater for the learning needs of gifted and talented students. If you would like your child to go to a selective high school in Year 7 in 2017, you will need to apply soon. An application information document has also been attached for further information.

All applications should be made online through an Internet connection. A limited number of application packages will be provided through the school for those parents who do not have Internet access.

The website where you will find all the necessary information, including the list of selective high schools and the application portal is: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement)

Parents will be able to apply online between 13 October and 16 November. All students applying for Year 7 Selective High School entry will be required to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 10 March 2016. The test will be held in a test centre to be advised individually to all applicants. Parents will be responsible for transporting their own children to and from the test centres.

If you would like to discuss the appropriateness of making an application for your child for Selective High School placement please contact Mr Weir and arrange an appointment.