Principal's Report

Term 4 Week 5, Tuesday 3rd November 2015

**Dance Eisteddfod**

Last week I informed everyone of our school’s entry into a dance eisteddfod. Last Sunday our junior and senior dance groups performed in a competition at Macquarie Fields. The students achieved some wonderful results with the Juniors gaining a first place and the Seniors second place in the schools Section. The judges gave the groups some excellent comments and scores. What a wonderful achievement by our students and commitment from our teachers last Sunday!

**Choral Concert at the Opera House**

In addition to our recorder students who perform annually at the Sydney Opera House, last Friday our choir students had the honour and pleasure of singing at the Opera House as part of the NSW Choral Concert. Thank you to Mrs Grenfell and Miss Foster who have worked with the students throughout the year for the performance last Friday. The students will soon have another wonderful experience when they take part in the School Spectacular at the Entertainment Centre.

Mr Wray

Principal

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**Payment Reminders Week 5**

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**Camp Payment Reminders**

The camp payment reminders are if you are following the payment plan. Please note that there was an error on the payment schedule for Yr 4 Teen Ranch, the last payment (#5) is $40 **NOT** $60.

Thank you

**Principal's Awards**

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

Special mention to Adam McCarthy - 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.

Calendar Term 4 2015

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Library News

It has been an exciting year in the library in 2015! The new graphic novel collection is proving to be very popular. Primary classes are enjoying these new books each week during their library visits. The graphic novel format is an excellent device to encourage “reluctant readers” to pick up a book. They are also a wonderful way to develop visual literacy and comprehension skills in all readers.

All good things must come to an end though! And library borrowing is no exception! We are now in week 5 and in week 8 borrowing will end for this year. This will allow me enough time (hopefully) to track down all outstanding and overdue books before I begin to stocktake the library.

So keep on borrowing for now, and get a head start looking for those library books that might be hiding under the bed…..

Melissa Johnson
Teacher Librarian

Stage One Poetry Competition

Stage One have been busy over the last couple of weeks presenting poems to their classes. Each class had 2 finalists that competed at the stage finals on Monday. Mr Wray and Mrs Hogg enjoyed judging these presentations and found it very hard to pick winners. Congratulations to all of our finalists for presenting very interesting and funny poems.

Year One finalists: Piper Meredith, Charlie Napier, Zach ElBiad, Alex McCarley, Cate McCarthy, Lilyana Watson, JadenCrawshaw, Emily Crawford. 1st Place- Piper Meredith 2nd Place- Lilyana Watson

Year Two finalists: Talia Butt, Alison Kiss, Tristan Morrison, Jake Bailey, Tyrah Hale, Amelia Visser, Charlotte Nifo, Lachlan Black. 1st Place- Allison Kiss 2nd Place- Lachlan Black
Festival Of Choral Music

On Friday 30th October, 24 of our choir students performed in the Festival of Choral Music at the Sydney Opera House. They performed as part of a 700 strong Choir and performed a difficult repertoire of songs which they have spent many hours at lunchtimes and at home practicing carefully. They are all to be congratulated on their exemplary behaviour on the day, as well as their dedication and delightful singing. Well done to you all. You made Currans Hill very proud.

Mrs Grenfell & Miss Foster

KICK! Dance Eisteddfod

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to our superstars who performed at the KICK! Dance Eisteddfod on Sunday. Our Senior Dance Group, "Bollywood" and both our Junior Dance Groups, "Circus" and "Annie" competed in a very tough school section of the eisteddfod. It was a big event with a huge stage, an excited audience and a wonderful adjudicator. All our girls made us very proud and Mrs Heath and myself were nearly crying watching them shine on Stage!

Congratulations to the ANNIE girls who placed 1st in the section, and BOLLYWOOD who came 2nd! WOW!!

A massive thank you to all our fabulous parents who not only came to support us at the competition, but helped us endlessly backstage - with costumes, getting ready, hair and makeup. There was some great teamwork happening in the dressing rooms and we couldn't have done it without you! THANK YOU!

What a great end to an amazing year of dance!

Can't wait to do it all again next year!

Mrs Balcon

2015 CHPS Yearbook Is On Its Way!!!!!

Staff are busily preparing our 2015 Year Book which provides a lovely memento to remember the year and exciting events that either happened in the classroom or grade. It will be a professionally printed, colour book where each class will have a page along with extra pages to show excursions, incursions and camps throughout the year. A copy of 2014 yearbook is in the front office for anyone that would like to have a look last years book. An ordering slip will be sent home to each child. This years yearbook will be $15 per copy. Payment at time of ordering. Please note, that there must be a minimum of 100 books ordered to go ahead with printing.

Payment and orders are due Wednesday 25th November. No late orders will be accepted. Cash or online payments are accepted, please use "yearbook" as your reference when ordering online.

Mrs Johnson
Yearbook Organiser

Year 6 Fun Fair Day

Preparations are well under way for our Year 6 Fun Fair which will be held on Thursday 12th November, 2015.

Some of the planned activities include: Soccer Shooting, Footy Passing, Haunted House, Flash Disco, Guess the Teacher Baby Photo, Pluck a Duck, Karaoke, Face painted, Coloured Hairspray.

There will also be small toys, balloons, ice creams, ice cream spiders, lollies, drinks and snacks for sale.

Prices start from 50c, with some food and toys up to $4.

Make sure you save some money to bring along on the day.

It will be great fun!

Year 6 Fundraising Committee

ADVANCED NOTICE - End Of Year Fun Day

Advanced notice to all parents. End of year fun day/parties will be held in the last week of term. Permission notes and final costs will be sent home after the End of Year financial rollover on the 1st December. Please do not send any money until you receive the notes. Cost will approx $10-20.

Kindy - Bowling
Stage 1 - Inflatable World - Smeaton Grange
Stage 2 - Mt Annan Aquatic Centre
Stage 3 - Bowling and Games

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.

Telstra’s Family Ticket Offer

Telstra – the Schools Spectacular’s Principal Sponsor – is giving you the chance to win tickets to the Schools Spectacular Matinee performance on Saturday 28 November at 1:00pm.

Each lucky winner will receive a Family Pass of 4 Tickets (Silver category).

To enter, tell us in 100 words or less why you would like to win tickets to the 2015 Schools Spectacular.

Entries close Friday 13 November 2015.

Send your entry to:
schoolspectickets@hotmail.com
or
Schools Spectacular Ticket Giveaway
DoE Sponsorship Unit
Locked Bag 53, Darlinghurst NSW 2010

**Winners will be notified by email or phone on Monday 16 November 2015. You must be able to attend the Schools Spectacular matinee performance on Saturday 28 November 2015 at 1pm. One entry per person.

Time Is Running Out!

Year 6 students, there is only 2 more Primary assemblies to go before the end of the year and for you to be able to collect your Principal Awards at Currans Hill Public School. Please collect your appropriate awards and submit to the office. Assemblies will be held Weeks 6 & 9.

On The Move?

Are you leaving Currans Hill Public School at the end of 2015? If so, we need to know!