**Term 3, Week 3**

**Tuesday 28th July, 2015**

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**NED Show**

The NED show was held last week and was enjoyed by everyone. NED stands for **Never give up; Encourage others; Do your best**. Yo-yos will still be on sale until Thursday this week, before school only. Thank you.

**Stranger Danger**

Last week, Ms Ryan spoke at assembly regarding a reminder to all children about stranger danger and the importance of walking to and from school sensibly and not taking any detours along the way. Please also remind your children of safe practice in regards to this issue. It is always important to remind your child of these matters without causing undue concern.

**MAJOR Fundraiser for 2015 – Upgrade of our Netball court**

Today the children brought home a sponsor sheet for our major fundraiser for 2015; a retro Sport-Athon to be held on Wednesday, 12th August. Children will participate in some “old time favourite” games like Captain Ball and Tunnel Ball to help raise funds to upgrade our school’s netball court. The court will be upgraded with a new, multi-court surface and include netball, basketball and some handball courts. All children who participate in the fundraiser will receive a $10 voucher from Rashays at Narellan when they return their sponsored money to school. We thank them for their support. The two classes that raise the most funds (one K-2 and one 3-6) will also receive a pizza lunch for the whole class. Please help us raise enough funds to have the court upgraded. Ask your friends, relatives or even mum and dad’s workmates to sponsor you but please DO NOT walk the streets knocking on doors. We do not encourage this practice. We look forward to your support so the court can be improved and benefit the children for many years to come. Thank you.

**CALENDAR Term 3 - 2015**

- **29/7** Parent Teacher Interviews
- **29/7** Stage 1 Incursion
- **29/7** P&C Meeting
- **30/7** 3-6 Athletics Carnival
- **31/7** Gala Day – Winter Make up day
- **5/8** Opera House Recorder Performance
- **6/8** Stage 3 Heartbeat
- **7/8** 3-6 Assembly
- **24/8** Book Week
- **26/8** Book Parade

**PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS**

Congratulations to the following students who have reached the level of Principal’s Award. Well done Sienna Woolcock – KRF, Ivan Pesut – 5W, Lochlan O’Brien – 1B, Karlee Lavender – 3/4JB, Jacob Wood – 1O, Ryan Carter – 3K, Sienna Pesut – 2D, Jacinta Taylor – 1D, Charli Napier – 1D, Noah Irvine – 1O.

Special mention to Danielle Hart – 1-6M who has reached the level of Principal’s Medallion – well done! Awards will be presented at your next scheduled Assembly.

**PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**
Our 3-6 Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday 30th July from 9.30am at Jack Nash Oval. Students will come to school at normal time and be walked across by their teachers after having the roll marked. Students may order their lunch as usual. There will be a canteen operating selling drinks and snacks.

Students should wear their house colours, a hat and bring plenty to drink. Year 2 students who are turning 8 this year may attend the carnival if they are interested in competing. Parents need to contact Ms Ryan through the school office if you want your Year 2 child to compete. All parents are welcome to attend. Please check the school facebook page for wet weather updates.

Ms Rene Ryan

**BOOK WEEK / BOOK PARADE**

This term we celebrate Children’s Book Week. Throughout the term during their library lessons, every class will be reading the books which are in the running to win “Book of the Year”. There are many wonderful Australian books to be enjoyed! Including “Pig the Pug” by Aaron Blabey (my favourite), “The Stone Lion” by Margaret Wild (sad, but with a happy ending), “A-Z of Convicts” by Simon Barnard (a non-fiction entry) and many other great new titles in the fiction, non-fiction and picture book categories.

In Week 7 (24th – 28th August) we will have a Book Fair in the library so students have the opportunity to purchase their own books to take home and keep. We will also be having a dress up parade on Wednesday August 26th. Students can come dressed as their favourite book character! Don’t stress too much about the origin of your child’s chosen character – many movies are based on books and vice versa, the main thing is for everyone to dress up and have fun!

One of the easiest and most effective ways to help children achieve their educational goals is simply to read with them. Read to them, talk to them about what they are reading, and let them see you reading. This term let’s celebrate reading in Book Week!

Melissa Johnson
Teacher Librarian

Parents are reminded that it is now possible to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard debit or credit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school’s website by selecting the tab $ Make a Payment. The school’s website address is printed at the top of the school newsletter.

**WINTER GALA DAY FRIDAY 31st July**

This Friday 31st July, will be the 3rd and final Winter Gala day which was postponed due to field closures in Term 2. Students are reminded to bring along any sporting equipment i.e mouth guards, shin pads and plenty of water. Field locations are:

- Netball: Kirkham Park
- AFL: Kirkham Park
- Rugby League: Jack Nash Oval
- Boys Soccer: Onslow Oval
- Girls Soccer: Belgenny Reserve
- Hockey: Narellan Hockey Complex

**YEAR 5 – BATHURST PAYMENT REMINDER**

Reminder that payment No.3, $50 is due this Friday 31st July, for those parents who are following the payment plan.

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Inclusions with today’s newsletter:
- CHPS Retro Sport-Athon Sponsor Card
- Helen O’Grady Flyer
- 5TW BYOD Policy and Information

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