Term 3, Week 4
Tuesday 4th August, 2015

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thank you to the many parents who attended our interviews last week. I appreciated everyone’s patience considering many interviews operated under difficult circumstances with an unexplained total blackout of the school for approximately 45 minutes! Sometimes things happen we have no control over!

Our Retro Sport-Athon
As indicated last week, this is only one week away with the day being held on Wednesday, 12th August. All children will participate in an hour of activities and we hope you may be able to come and watch your child take part to support them in their endeavours to raise funds for our new multi-sport court upgrade.
Children can wear mufti on the day as they join in some traditional games from times past. Times are as follows:
9:00am – Stage two, 5TW and 5/6T
10:00am – Kindergarten, 6G and 6B
11:00am – Lunch
12:00pm – Stage one
We hope the children have been collecting many sponsors, not only helping our school but also contributing to their class winning the pizza party. Remember, every child who returns some sponsored money will receive a $10 voucher from Rashays at Narellan.

3-6 Athletics Carnival
Our carnival was held last Thursday at Jack Nash Oval. Thank you to the staff for their efforts on the day and in particular Ms Ryan and Ms Wear who did a great deal of the organisation prior to the event. Congratulations to the children on their results and for “having a go”. Ms Ryan will inform those children who will be representing us at the Zone Carnival in the coming weeks.

Mr. Wray – Principal

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PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have reached the level of Principal's Award. Well done Trai Cawley – 1D, Dominic Babaic – 1B, Jake Mikulandra – 2C, Heath Abata – 6G, Simona Abata – 5/6T, Alex Gray – 2D, Keanu Irvine – 2C, Blake Hanley – 3K, Charlotte Davis – 2C, Emily Crawford x 2 – 1F, Bailey Daunbney – KB, Olivia Brodbeck – 4W.

Special mention to Olivia Brodbeck – 4W who has reached the level of Principal’s Medallion – well done!

Awards will be presented at your next scheduled Assembly.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

We had beautiful weather for our 3-6 athletics carnival last week. The students had a fun day participating in the races and novelties. The Razorback Zone team is now being finalised. If your child has been selected they will receive a note next week. Please note that this team is chosen on times / heights / distances not on places in events. Ribbons and age champion medals will be handed out at this week's 3-6 assembly.

Ms Ryan

GALA DAY NEWS
Summer Gala Days
The coaches of the summer gala day teams are currently finalising their teams. Your child will receive a note by Friday if they will be participating in gala days in Weeks 6, 9 and 10. Please return these notes and payment as soon as possible. There are far fewer spots for students in the summer teams than there were for the winter teams as there are fewer options available. We are planning plenty of fun home sport activities for students who stay behind at school.
Ms Ryan
Sports Organiser

Netball
We had a beautiful sunny day on Friday for the last Netball Gala Day of 2015. All the Currans Hill teams showed great enthusiasm, improvement and fair play over the three gala days, so well done everyone.
For those girls in Year 6, keep playing and enjoying netball in high school. For everyone else, we will see you back again next year for some more netball fun!
Mrs Gawthorne and Mrs Burke

Boys Soccer
Junior and Senior A Teams
Well done to everyone who participated in our Soccer Gala Day teams. We experienced so many successes throughout the competition, which may not have been reflected in the score line but were shown through the amazing displays of sportsmanship and teamwork exhibited by the boys. It was so pleasing to see you celebrate each other’s successes and take the field each time with renewed enthusiasm and positivity. I hope to see many of you come back to try again next year. Thank you also to the many wonderful parents who came along to support our students and to those who assisted by washing jerseys. It was greatly appreciated.
Mrs Grenfell

Junior and Senior B Teams
We had a lot of fun at SOCCER B’s GALA DAYS even though we were not successful. We learnt lots of new skills and made many new friends.
Zac - I had a very good time at gala day. I really enjoyed it.
Omar - I had a fun time and it was an enjoyable experience at gala day. I can’t wait for next year.
By Zac Paulley and Omar Mohmoud 5TW

Girls Soccer
Congratulations to the girls soccer teams who displayed good sportsmanship and enthusiasm throughout the three gala days.
A combination of wins and losses for our girls teams, and great to see improvement in their skills over the gala days.

Mrs Kelly
Hockey
Our last day at hockey was fantastic. The students have shown such improvement over the term. Some who have never held a stick before showed what a little bit of determination can achieve. The improvement and good sportsmanship was a pleasure to watch.
Ms Wear

Rugby League
On Friday, CHPS rugby league teams went off to Jack Nash oval to play the last round of PSSA Gala Day sport. Both teams played very well and had a great day. Unfortunately, neither team made it to the Razorback finals. Regardless of the results, everyone had a great time.
By Jack A, 5TW

AFL
Last Friday the AFL team were at Kirkham Fields again for our last AFL Gala Day. While we didn’t win a game, all students have improved greatly and had a great time. Special mention to possible future stars of the game - Caitlyn H, Christina H, Ivan P and Dylan W. Also a special mention to Yr 6, Jade R who has played her last Primary School AFL game and has been with me each year since Yr 3. You'll be missed next year Jade!
Mr Weir

LIBRARY NEWS
Only three weeks until Book Week! The theme for Book Week this year is: Books Light Up Our World! During week seven the Book Fair will be lighting up the library! Book prices start from as little as $2.00, so hopefully all students will be able to come along and buy a book. The fair will be open before and after school and during lunch time, providing ample opportunities for “shopping”. Reading shouldn’t be a chore for our students. It should be something they enjoy in their spare time. Sometimes all it takes to spark that enthusiasm is finding the right book. Who knows? Maybe that special book (or series of books) will be waiting for them at the book fair!
The dress up parade will be taking place on Wednesday August 26th at 9.30am. All parents and caregivers are encouraged to come along and enjoy the costumes! Lucky spot prizes will be given to random parade participants – so
get working on those costumes! Remember dress up outfits don’t have to cost the earth, a bit of imagination and the internet can work wonders! Talk to your children about their favourite books – if you are lucky their favourite character might be relatively easy to achieve!

Mrs Johnson

**OPERA HOUSE RECORDER CONCERT**

After 6 months of intense rehearsals, the Recorder Ensemble will be performing at the Sydney Opera House tomorrow evening, Wednesday 5th August, with 800 other students from all over NSW. Congratulations to the children for their dedication to learning their pieces so well.

Remember to meet Mrs Thomson & Mrs Budd between 9:50-10:00 tomorrow at Campbelltown Station (with your recorders), wearing your recorder t-shirts and black pants/skirts. Bring your lunch and a bottle of water in a plastic bag – no backpacks please as you can’t take them into the Opera House. Wear a warm jacket and leave your hats at home as you won’t need them.

A huge thank you to parents for supporting this fantastic opportunity for the children – performing at the Opera House is a great honour. Also, thanks to the recorder teachers for giving up their time to teach the children.

Mrs F Thomson

**FREE AFL TICKET OFFER**

School students and their families across Western Sydney are invited to register for four FREE tickets to see the GWS GIANTS take on Essendon during the AFL’s Multicultural Round on Sunday 9 August at Spotless Stadium in Sydney Olympic Park. Families can register for tickets at www.gwsgiants.com.au/MYNEWLOCALCLUB.

Instructions regarding how to download the four FREE tickets will then be sent. Links are on the School's Facebook page.

**BANKING NEWS**

Thank you again to all of our wonderful parents for their hard work with student banking each week. Just some quick reminders for you. Please make sure that each deposit slip is completely filled out, with your child's name, account number, student number, date and their deposit amount. Having this all filled in correctly saves a lot of time for our parent helpers. We are unable to accept more than one deposit slip per week as the computer system only allows one entry per child. If your child misses a week money will need to be added together and written on one deposit slip. We also ask that you send in a reward coupon filled out along with the child’s 10 tokens. Rewards will not be sent home without a completed coupon. More coupons can be picked up from our office should you need them.

Mrs Heath

**STAGE 1 INCURSION**

Last Wednesday Stage One students had a wonderful day learning about minibeasts. Students walked to the local creek to use magnifying glasses to find minibeasts and discuss the changes people have made to the environment. At school classes were involved in craft, cooking, movie watching and having lots of fun! A big highlight of the day was seeing the Rangers on the Run show in the hall. The children were able to hold, pat and view lots and lots of exciting minibeasts with their keeper Vanessa. The students were buzzing about their encounters with stick insects, millipedes and other interesting minibeasts!

Mrs Hogg
Stage 1 Stage Leader