PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

This will be the last newsletter for the term and as such we reach the half way point of the year.

Much has been achieved to date but there is still much to do.

On Monday 23rd June, half yearly reports will be going home to provide you with an update on how your child is going so far this year. In term one we held parent teacher interviews to provide early in the year notification about student progress. If you would like to have another interview this term, contact your child’s class teacher to arrange this. Page 4 of this newsletter contains some advice from psychologist Michael Grose about reading your child’s report that may be of assistance for you.

Also on page 4 are two important flyers about courses we are running here that you are invited to attend. One is called Small Steps and is about children’s mental health and well being. This session is on Friday 11th July and runs for around 2hrs.

On Monday 14th July, Think U Know will run also for around two hours. This is a session for teachers and parents presented in partnership with the Australian Federal Police about what we as adults need to be aware of to keep our kids safe online.

Both of these sessions should be of interest to you and we hope to see you at one or both sessions. We do need to know numbers attending so please send a response via the letter that is coming home this week or a phone call to the office.

Events such as this are posted on our Facebook and school website as well as this newsletter. We are getting an increasing number of families who access Facebook for information about events, so I encourage you to “like” us on Facebook to receive notifications.

Speaking of notifications don’t forget to let us know the next day after students absences why your child was away and keep us up to date with any changes in address, phone numbers, emails, emergency contacts or health matters.

Education Week 2014 (28th July – 1st August, Week 3 of Term 3) is set to be a big week with celebrations and special events right across the week. Our annual Open Day will be held on Thursday 31st July with an open invitation to our families and prospective families who are considering enrolling for 2015. Save this date as it is sure to be a great day to spend at school with your child.

All the best for the holidays, hope to see you on Friday 11th July for the combined staff and family program.

Mr B Warwick
Principal
KOORI CARNIVAL

Last week Stage 3 students in Koori Club attended a Carnival organised by University of Western Sydney. They attended several workshops, with lots of fun activities. On arrival, the students received showbags with lots of fun things inside and we were able to meet other students from many different schools. All the students sat in a lecture theatre and listened to some university students. We all felt very grown up! One of the groups practised being a doctor. The students bandaged and plastered ‘pretend’ broken arms. It was very messy, but lots of fun. They also attended 2 creative writing workshops. The students were asked to write a spooky/scary text with only two sentences. There were some spine-tingling texts!! The second group learnt about native bees and made a little hive.

STATE FINAL AEROBICS

On Sunday the 15th of June, the Junior and Senior Aerobics teams went to the Sutherland Entertainment Centre and competed in the School Aerobics State Finals. Both teams gave it all they had.

In the end, the Senior Team performed their best routine yet and achieved an excellent result of 2nd place. The Junior team received a great score, coming in 3rd place in their division and will be going to Queensland in August to compete in the National competition.

The girls would like to thank Miss Zielonka, Miss Scott and Miss Pauk for getting them so far in the competition this year.

-Written by: Isabella Rawlins.

DIARY DATES

Dates are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, * indicates new or changed dates since last newsletter.

JUNE
17 ICAS Spelling Competition
18 Fitness Club finishes 3-6
18 Parent Working Bee 9am-12pm
19 ES1 Aquarium Excursion
19 3-6 Assembly—11.40pm
19 Community Garden Project 9.30am-11.30am
20 PSSA Round 2
24 Peer Support Training
23 *Reports go home
24 Peer Support Training
25 Stage 2 Excursion—The Rocks
26 Buzz Day
26 Yr 6 Pizza Day
27 K-6 Assembly—9.10am—1S & 3P
27 PSSA Round 3
27 Last Day of Term 2
28 *Ramadan begins

JULY
11 Small Steps Seminar 9.00am
14 Staff Development Day
14 ThinkUKNow Seminar 9.00am
14 Students return for Term 3
15 Footsteps
17 NAIDOC Celebrations
18 PSSA Round 4
21 Footsteps
23 OC Test
24 WLFPA Choir Rehearsal
25 PSSA Round 5
28 Footsteps
28-1 *Education Week
29 *Athletics Carnival
30 *ICAS English Competition
31 P&C Meeting

AUGUST
1 K-6 Assembly
1 PSSA Round 6
4 Footsteps
7 Australian Mathematics Competition
7 Debate vs HPS at CHPS
8 PSSA Round 7
8 P&C Disco 5-6.30 (K-2) 7-8.30 (3-6)
11 Footsteps
12 ICAS Mathematics Competition
12 K-2 Assembly
12 Kinder Farm Excursion
14 3-6 Assembly
15 PSSA Round 8
18 Footsteps
19 GVPSSA Athletics Carnival
30 *Koori Bush Tucker day

SEPTEMBER
3 P&C Meeting
4 Fathers Day stall
10 SWS Zone athletics

OCTOBER
7 Students and staff return for term 4

Next P&C
Wednesday 30th July
9.00am in the school Staffroom
All Welcome.
2nd Hand Uniform Stall
Monday 23rd June 2014
under COLA outside hall
Prices from $3–$5 8.30am

2ND HAND UNIFORM STOCK LIST
Contact: Kylie on 0438 428 468

SIZE 4  Polo shirts x 3, Long polo, Girls long pants
SIZE 5  Track pants x 4
SIZE 6  Sports short, Jacket, Polo shirt, Jumper
SIZE 8  Skort, Summer dress x 2, Jumper, Long polo
        Sport track pants
SIZE 10 Polo x 4, Long polo x 3, Girl’s pants x 2
       Jacket x 2, Skort
SIZE 12 Polo
SIZE 14 Polo x 2, Girl’s long pants x 2
SIZE 16 Long polo, Polo, Grey shorts, Sports track pants
          10 Assorted Jackets and a jumper.

P&C NEWS

PRESIDENT REPORT
At the meeting on the 7th May, new committee members were nominated. We welcome Sonia Zerafa as Vice President and Helen Guidone as Secretary. We would like to thank the Little Bottle Shop (across the road from the school) for donating the ice for the drinks for National Family Week.

EASTER RAFFLE
We raised $780.90 from the Easter Raffle. Thank you to all the parents and students for their donations.

SCHOOL DISCO
The next school disco will be Friday 8th August. K-2 will be from 5.00pm—6.30pm and 3-6 will be 7.00pm—8.30pm. Tickets will be $5.00 per student. Food and drink will be sold on the night. More information soon.

SHOPPING TOUR
We will be holding our annual Shopping Tour fundraiser on Sunday 19th October. The cost is $40.00 per person for a full day of shopping. If you are interested, please put your payment in an envelope with your full name, contact details and number of people attending and leave at the school office.

NEXT MEETING DATE
Our next meeting is Wednesday 30th July, 9.00am in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome to join us.
ThinkUKnow is an internet safety initiative which aims to raise awareness of the issues which young people face online and whilst using mobile phones. It is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police and Microsoft Australia, and is now proudly supported by ninemsm and Datacom.

Our school will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation on Monday 14th July at 9.00am. All parents, Carers and Teachers are encouraged to attend.

A note with more information and a return slip will be sent home this week.
KP 2014

We have been hard at work in the classroom but also hard at work during our sport lessons.

We have been learning fundamental skills that are the building blocks for our movement and co-ordination.
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