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Issue 17

Tuesday, 2 June, 2009

P & C Meeting

Tomorrow

Wednesday, 3 June 7.30 pm

School Staffroom

All interested people welcome!

Open Day

Book Fair

& Lapathon

Now on

Thursday, 18 June

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10.00 a.m. Stage-based activities and open classrooms

11.15 a.m. Recess

11.35 a.m. School Lapathon

12.55 p.m. Picnic Lunch

2.00 p.m. Whole School Assembly

The Book Fair will be running all day

Everyone is invited to attend!

Dear Parents and Friends,

We certainly have a problem with the weather. It has caused the postponement of a few activities and is delaying the painting of the weatherboard building. We even had a blackout for a while last Wednesday. Fortunately the Canteen ladies were able to keep the recess items warm and the power returned in time for lunch.

It has meant that we have had to make a few changes to fit our full program in. We apologise for any inconvenience that these changes may be creating.

This rain is certainly making the oval look good but it is far too wet for the children to be able to use it at lunchtimes. This has meant that everyone is squeezed into the drier areas. They are handling the situation very well at the moment and will need to continue in this way for a while.

Congratulations Dancers

Last Wednesday, our 3 dance groups had their debut performances at Windsor Riverview. In front of a large and enthusiastic audience they danced very well. It was great to see them enjoying themselves. Thank you to Mrs Lorenzo and Mrs Duncan for their great work with the dancing and to Mrs Toms for her outstanding work with the costumes.

We wish our 2 girls dance groups all the best as they perform at the Sydney West Dance Festival at Castle Hill. They are having a very busy week.

District Cross Country Postponed

Yesterday you were informed that the District Cross Country was postponed. The new date is **Thursday, 4 June** and this has created a series of problems and changes that will affect the whole school. These changes are:

- The Junior and Senior Dancers will perform at Castle Hill as planned. Unfortunately, many girls will miss the opportunity to represent the school at the Cross Country, but we have no choice. The Dance Festival is the top priority commitment.
- A smaller team than originally planned, will represent us at the District Cross Country at Quakers Hill East Public School.
- The School Assembly planned for this Thursday, will be pushed back a week to Thursday, 11 June as we will have over 100 children away this week. The Assembly will be hosted by Blue Moon.

We know that this situation is not ideal but this is the only way for everything to work. Your understanding in these matters is greatly appreciated.

Dates for the Diary

Tues 2 June	Jnr Dance performance tonight
Wed 3 June	State of Origin Mufti Day 7:30pm P&C Meeting
Thurs 4 June	Jnr & Snr Dance performances District Cross Country
Fri 5 June	World Environment Day Snr Dance performance tonight PSSA begins
Mon 8 June	Public Holiday
Tues 9 June	Stage 2 Excursion
Wed 10 June	ICAS Science Competition Sydney West Cross Country
Thurs 11 June	2.30pm School Assembly
Tues 16 June	ES1 Excursion to Zoo
Thurs 18 June	Open Day, Book Fair, Lapathon & Assembly

Open Day Postponed

Unfortunately it was necessary to postpone Open Day as the weather and state of the school playground would have made it too difficult for all events to occur. This means that we now have a big day planned for Thursday 18 June. Not only will all previous activities go ahead, we will also have an afternoon assembly to add to the program.

We still eagerly look forward to the Lapathon and Book Fair to be held on this action packed day.

Gary Condon, Principal

State of Origin Mufti Day

Our Year 6 students are hosting a mufti day on Wednesday to celebrate the first game of the State of Origin for 2009. So come along dressed in your favourite team colours. If you don't have any rugby gear or team colours you may wear sporting gear from any sport you wish. The cost will be a gold coin donation which goes towards the Year 6 fundraising for their Farewell. Councillors will collect the gold coins from the classrooms on Wednesday morning.

PSSA

PSSA starts this Friday, 5 June

Team	Venue
Newcombe Ball	Rouse Hill PS, Clower Ave, Rouse Hill
Netball	Kellyville Netball Courts, Court 4
Boys Soccer	Schofields Park, Station Street Schofields, bottom field
Girls Soccer	Newbury Oval, Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens (Field 1 – closest to the amenities block)

Ms Finn, Sports Coordinator

Dance

Wishing our Junior and Senior girls dance troupes the best of luck for their Sydney West Dance festival performances throughout this week.

SRC

This week all families will receive Stewart House clothing bags. Please fill them and return them to your child's class by Wednesday, 10 June at the latest.

Mrs Lorenzo, Dance & SRC Coordinator

ICAS Science Competition

On **Wednesday 10 June** the second of the ICAS competitions takes place. If your child entered into the Year 3 – 6 Competition for **Science** they should come to school prepared to sit this test. A brief reminder will be included in next week's bulletin and the children will be reminded regularly at school assemblies, but it is their responsibility to turn up on time and ready to start.

The Science Competition will begin at **9.30am and will be held in Mr Kenna's Classroom**. Don't forget a rubber, sharpener and sharp pencil.

The computer competition papers were sent away last week for marking, and hopefully the results and certificates will be returned early Term Three.

Mr B Kenna, ICAS Competition Contact Person

S2 Excursion

All stage 2 students will be visiting the Powerhouse Discovery Centre at Castle Hill on Tuesday 9 June.

Please return permission notes and payment to school by Thursday, 4 June.

S2 Teachers

ES1 are off to the Zoo

A reminder that payment and permission notes for the Taronga Zoo excursion need to be returned by Tuesday, 9 June. If you have misplaced the permission note it can be downloaded from the school website.

Thank you to all parents who have offered to help on this excursion. Please refer to the note that went home with children yesterday for more information

Miss Woodbury, Excursion Coordinator

**OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY HAS BEEN
POSTPONED TO NEXT WEEK, THURSDAY
11 JUNE. HOSTED BY BLUEMOON**

'No Waste Wednesday'

On 5 June 2009 it is World Environment Day. To support this day, Oakville PS will commence 'No Waste Wednesday'.

'No Waste Wednesday' begins this Wednesday, 3 June and will continue weekly. Please support this day by sending your child's recess and lunch in containers and sending food items that do not have or require packaging.

For more information on World Environment Day go to: -

www.unep.org/wed/2009/english/

Remember that all change begins with the smallest steps and those begun at home (or school) can lead us on the greatest journey.

Also, the Environmental Club would like to clean the fish pond outside the Library. We have been told that attaching a solar pump will assist in keeping the water clean. I really don't have much of an idea but am hoping a parent might be able to give myself and the Club some ideas on how to do this. Please contact the school if you can help. Thank you

Ms Vanderburg and the Environmental Club.

P&C Association

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will reopen this Thursday, 4 June. Business will return as usual: -

Thursdays and Fridays 3pm – 3:15pm

Sandra Woodward, Uniform Shop Coordinator