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Open Day

Book Fair

& Lapathon

Thursday, 18 June

*A love of learning
NSW public schools leading the way*

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

Barbecue available

2.00 p.m. Whole School Assembly

The Book Fair will be running all day

Everyone is invited to attend!

Dear Parents and Friends,

This week has had a sunny start but the prospects aren't promising. However, we do plan to continue with the program for Open Day. It should be a great day. We now have an interesting assembly planned along with a P & C run barbecue. There will be plenty to do for the whole day.

Also, today, Kindergarten has embarked on the first excursion of their school career. We are sure that they will have a great day at the zoo.

Reports to be sent home

This year the reports are being professionally printed and sent home later this week or early next week. They will be basically the same as previous years along with the child's photo on the front and a photo of the school on the back.

As in previous years, students will receive a ranking on a 5 point scale. Outstanding; High; Satisfactory; Basic; and Limited.

An average child progressing through school should be happy to receive Satisfactory in every report. This means that at report time they are working at the expected level for students in their year. At every report time, this expected level will increase by 6 months therefore the standard for Satisfactory increases by 6 months.

Parent Teacher Interviews

These interviews will be held over 2 weeks starting next Monday. You should have received a letter from your child's teacher, with available interview times. It is important to attend these interviews as you will learn valuable information to go along with the written report.

We look forward to seeing you at the interviews.

2008 Annual School Report

The Annual School Report for 2008 is now available. If you would like a copy please return the attached slip on the bottom of page 2 or collect a copy from the front office.

Gary Condon, Principal

Writing and Spelling ICAS Competition

On **Tuesday 23 June**, both the ICAS Writing and Spelling will be held. The **Spelling** for years 3 and 4 will be held in Mr Kenna's room and the years 5 and 6 will be held in the staffroom. Both Spelling competitions will begin at **9.30am**.

Following the completion of the Spelling competition, the **Writing** competition will be held in Mr Kenna's room. Those children sitting the Writing **will be sent for**, as some will also be sitting the spelling and some won't. A start time cannot be set for this competition. It is hoped that both competitions will be finished by recess, but they could extend into the second session as well.

Students sitting one or both of these competitions must listen very carefully to details provided at Monday's assembly.

Mr B Kenna, ICAS Competitions Coordinator

Dates for the Diary

Thurs 18 June	Open Day, Book Fair, Lapathon, BBQ & Assembly
Fri 19 June	PSSA
Mon 22 June	Parent Teacher Interviews begin
Tues 23 June	Late night for interviews
Fri 26 June	PSSA
Wed 1 July	Late night for interviews 7.30pm P & C Meeting
Fri 12 June	PSSA
Mon 6 July	Stage 3 leave for Canberra
Wed 8 July	Stage 3 return from Canberra
Fri 10 July	Last Day Term 2

Stage 3 Canberra Camp

The Stage 3 students are very excited about their upcoming camp to Canberra and the snow.

Final payments are due by this Friday 19 June.

Australian Government assistance for National Capital Excursion

Students from our school will be undertaking an educational tour of the national capital. While on this tour they participate in a variety of educational programmes focussed on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist parents in meeting the costs of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) Programme towards the travel and expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid to the school upon completion of the excursion.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

Activities undertaken as part of the educational tour include:

- x Parliament House
- x Parliamentary Education Office
- x Old Parliament House
- x Electoral Education Centre
- x War Memorial
- x National Capital Exhibit.

A full itinerary is included in the note sent home to Stage 3 parents.

We hope that the excursion is a rewarding experience for all students.

Miss Downie, Stage 3 Supervisor

No Waste Wednesday

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. This will happen every Wednesday as an initiative of the Environment Club.

PSSA Friday, 19 June

Team	Venue
Newcombe Ball	BYE
Netball	Kellyville Netball Courts, Court 3
Boys Soccer	Quakers Hill Park, Cnr Quakers Hill Parkway & Hambledon Rd, Quakers Hill (Field 1 nearest car park)
Girls Soccer	Newbury Oval, Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens. Field 1
GAME TIMES	
Newcombe Ball	11:20am
Netball	11:20am Juniors, 12:00pm Seniors
Boys Soccer	11:20am Juniors, 12:00pm Seniors
Girls Soccer	12:10pm

Ordering of Group Photos

Group photos may now be ordered. These groups include: Captains, Councillors, SRC, and Yr 6 Muck Up. They are on display in the foyer. If you wish to order, please place your money in the special order envelope provided from the office. Photos are \$17 each.

**WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
THURSDAY 18 JUNE
HOSTED BY LIGHT YEAR**

In our **Pursuit of Excellence** the following students received Awards at our last Assembly:

Principal's Awards

Astronauts	Jake
Comets	Colby
Venus	Patrik
Clusters	Clayton
Delta Star	Duncan
Jupiter	Ryan
Rockets	Jordan
Halley's Comet	Gerard
Blue Moon	Merri
Calypso	Jarrad
Futurama	Bronte
Galileo	Sam
Draco	Emma
Krypton	Felicity
Light Year	Brenden
Pisces	Joshua

Merit Awards: Shanaye, Daniel, Kristina, Aidan, Harrison, Amelia, Colby, Joshua, Sinead, Cohen, Isabella, Brianna, Jayden, Connor, Courtney, Stephanie, Jessica, Kiara-Mia Howard, Victoria, Connor, Ben, Serina, Elijah, Anna, Lachlan, Lucas, Brittany, Bailey, Georgia, Kyra, Natalie, Samuel.

OAKVILLE STAR AWARD

*Emily
Kortnie
Rhys
Felicia
Jessica*

Maths Challenge: Tiana Hood

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2008 Annual School Report

I would like a copy please of the 2008 Annual School Report.

Child.....

Class

Signed

P&C Association



Our Lapathon will be held this Thursday between recess and lunch. Please remember the following items for the day:

- Lapathon sponsorship card
- Sneakers
- Hat
- Water bottle

We hope to see lots of parents and friends cheering on the students.

Tea, coffee and cupcakes are available for sale at recess and lunch.

At the end of the Lapathon all students will receive a free Zooper Dooper.

A BBQ lunch will also be available, thanks to Cassandra Isaacs and Fiona Refalo. Any other parent helpers would be greatly appreciated. Just come down to the canteen, even if it is just for ten minutes.

Your child will bring home their sponsorship card with the amount of laps they completed recorded on the card. Please return the money raised to the school by **Friday 26 June**. We will then organise a Pizza Party for the class that has raised the most money (on average) and also organise the fantastic prizes donated by Bing Lee.

Remember, there is a major prize of a Portable DVD player with a swivel screen (valued at \$239) for the student who returns the most money as well as the chance to win a Stage prize for students who raise more than \$10.

Thanks for your support,
P & C Fundraising.

REMINDER - STAGE ONE PARENTS

Please provide six cupcakes to be sold on Open Day. Your support is greatly appreciated. Cupcakes can be sent to the canteen in the morning.