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P & C Meeting

Tomorrow

Wednesday, 1 July

7.30 pm

School Staffroom

All interested people welcome!

Dear Parents and Friends,

The weather is certainly playing havoc with the PSSA competition. Let's hope they can have a game this week.

We also have a lot of illness with many classes well short on numbers. However, it is advisable to keep your child/ren at home if they have any cold or flu symptoms.

Parent Teacher Interviews

The Parent Teacher Interviews are well and truly underway. The Interviews are very important, so I hope everyone has booked their interview times. The written reports are informative, but the interview does provide you with much clearer information as to your child's progress.

Homework help online

Parents can access age-appropriate material to help with your child's homework assignments at the Teaching and Learning Exchange:

www.tale.edu.au/tale/live/index.jsp

Information ranges from ages 4-9 which includes pages to help you follow your child's early learning and to help you talk with teachers about your child's progress to Beyond School, which includes links to TAFE, university and other further learning opportunities such as apprenticeships and traineeships.

The content of each age group area is organised into these sections:

- What they learn
- Helping your child learn
- About stages of learning

From the navigation bar you can also access links to educational organisations and news.

The site also includes a Jargon Buster, a selection of translated documents and links to DET parent newsletters such as the Click! technology guide and School Parent's magazine.

Community Farewell for Mrs Lorenzo

You are invited to the *school staffroom* this **Friday, 3 July at 2pm** for a Farewell Afternoon Tea for Mrs Lorenzo. This will be a great opportunity for all parents to come and say their goodbyes to Mrs Lorenzo, as next Term, she will begin teaching at Blackwell P S.

Mrs Lorenzo has taught all classes from K – 6 in her time at our school as well as being active in many other areas, such as Dance and SRC, to mention only two.

Tea and coffee will be available, however, parents are asked to bring a plate for afternoon tea.

Multicultural Public Speaking Champions

Congratulations to Danielle Pride, Meg Vanderburg, Rhiannon Dark and Jade Ramos who are representing us at the District Public Speaking at Rouse Hill today. We know they will do very well.

Gary Condon, Principal

Messages to Students

If you need to collect your child from school early, please call into the school office and fill out an "Early Departure" slip to take to your child's teacher. Phone messages are difficult to deliver as it is not always possible to free up a staff member to go looking for students.

The afternoon is becoming a very busy time in the office with phone calls requesting messages sent to students regarding pick up arrangements. Please make these arrangements with your child before school.

Please explain to your child that, sometimes, you may be running late. Some children become very anxious when their carer is not there as soon as they are dismissed from class. Teachers will not leave students at the classroom by themselves. They will bring them to the office where the children can wait to be picked up.

Dates for the Diary

Wed 1 July	Late night for interviews 7.30pm P & C Meeting
Thurs 2 July	2.30pm School Assembly
Fri 3 July	PSSA 2.00pm Farewell Afternoon Tea
Mon 6 July	Stage 3 leave for Canberra
Wed 8 July	Stage 3 return from Canberra
Fri 10 July	Last Day Term 2
Mon 27 July	School Development Day
Tues 28 July	Term 3 begins for students
Tues 4 Aug	ICAS English
Wed 5 Aug	7.30pm P & C Meeting
Tues 11 Aug	School Athletics Carnival

PSSA Friday, 3 July 2009

Team	Venue
Newcombe Ball	John Palmer PS
Netball	Kellyville Netball Courts, Court 5
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

Good Luck

We wish Rebecka Troy the best of luck as she competes in the U/13s State Hockey Tournament in Tamworth over this weekend. Well done Rebecka for your selection in the state team!

Mrs Finn, Sports Coordinator

Recounts of Our Zoo Excursion by the Astronauts

Yesterday I saw the monkeys and lions and seal show. Next we had lunch. Then we went to see the bird show. Then it was time to go home. Wayne.

On Tuesday we went to the zoo and we went on the bus and then we had recess. First we saw the koalas. We saw all of the animals and we went to the shop and we saw the bears. We saw heaps of animals and we went back on the bus and picked up Jessica. Gabrielle.

Yesterday I went to the Zoo and first I saw tigers, next snakes. After that chimpanzee. Finally orang-utan. Sam

Yesterday I went to the snakes. The snake had a little baby. Max.

On Tuesday Early Stage One went to Taronga Zoo. First we had recess. Second we saw the koalas. Third the komodo dragons. Fourth we went to the bird show and we had lunch. Finally I felt good. Tayah.

Yesterday we caught the bus with Early Stage One. We were almost there. First we had recess then saw the animals. Luke.

Yesterday I went to the zoo. First we sat down at the seat, then we got up off the seat. Then we went to the animals. Tilly.



We had a great day at the zoo!

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Thursday, 2 July – 2:30pm in the Hall
Hosted by PISCES

Canteen Rosters: Su is now working on the roster for Term 3. If you need to change your day, please call her as soon as possible.

If you are able to spare some time once each month to volunteer, please give Su a ring.

If anyone can help in the canteen this Thursday, 2 July, please give Su a ring on the above number. If we can't find help we will have to CLOSE.

Lapathon Update

Thank you to the students who have brought their money in. Please return all monies by tomorrow, Wednesday 1 July to be eligible to go into the draw for our fantastic prizes.

Prize draws will take place at Assembly on Thursday.

Joanna Wassens & Melissa Smith, Lapathon Coordinators