



School Newsletter

Term 2, Week 4, 2011.

BE SAFE, BE FAIR, BE KIND, BE CO-OPERATIVE.

Assemblies

Infants Assembly 11:30
Primary Assembly 9:00am(change)

Attachments

1. Canteen Price List
2. Refund Policy

Dear Parents and Community Members.....

New Assistant Principal

This week the school welcomed Mrs Lorelle O'Brien who is the new Assistant Principal in infants.

Mrs O'Brien is replacing Mrs Webb on 1W. We would like her to feel welcome in our school and hope she enjoys her time in Tenterfield. Mrs O'Brien's family will be moving up shortly to join her.



School Rules

What does **BE CO-OPERATIVE** mean? We have identified these things (amongst others) to help the students understand this school Rule.

At our school 'Be co-operative' means:

- Work together.
- Give others a chance to have a go.
- Share equipment, time and space in groups.
- Take turns in groups.
- Help each other.
- Follow class rules.
- Tell the teacher if you need help.
- Listen to and follow teacher instructions.
- Listen to and work with visiting adult helpers.

Change in Assembly Time-Primary

As the zone x-country is scheduled for this Friday and it clashes with our primary assembly time, we will be moving the primary assembly to 9:00am on Friday. This will ensure the zone x country runners do not miss assembly. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Sports

This week is a very busy time for students who enjoy sports. Last Friday the netball team travelled away to Glen Innes to play. Today the hockey team is travelling to Inverell while tomorrow the soccer teams travel to Glen Innes to play. On Thursday the opens league team is travelling to Glen Innes and then of course the Zone x-country occurs on Friday. What a hectic week!!

Debating

We are also in the midst of selecting debating teams in preparation for upcoming debates. Teams are underway and working together in mini debates here at school. The teachers are then looking at the best teams and combinations with a debate happening in the next few weeks.

Refunds of shows/excursions etc

We often have requests to refund shows excursions etc when students are away, sick, on holidays or unable to make it to the event. There are lots of problems with refunding money. The main ones are;

1. The school often has to pay for things in advance and therefore cannot refund students;
2. The school does not keep cash and therefore cannot hand over a small amount to refund;
3. There is often a minimum cost that the school has to meet no matter how many students attend the event.

The school has now developed a refund policy which has been endorsed by the school P&C. This is attached for you to read and comes into effect immediately.

Facebook

A reminder to all parents that social networking sites like Facebook often have age restrictions associated with them. Although there may be advantages to these sites there are also disadvantages and potential dangers. Technically no child of primary age is 13 and thus should not have access to age restricted sites like Facebook. As parents you need to be aware that if they have access someone has falsified details to allow them to have a profile. This is an area that parents need to be fully aware of and things written on sites remain archived on sites as a record.

Newsletter via email

Our newsletter is uploaded to our website each week for people to view. We also email a number of people our newsletter. If you would prefer to have the newsletter emailed to you please let the office know and supply your email address.



BOOK FAIR - WEEK 5

Commencing Monday, May 23rd

Viewing & Purchasing:

Monday 1:15 - 1:45 only.

**The rest of the week 11:00 - 11:30
and 1:15 - 1:45 daily.**

Gymnastics

Don't forget to pay for this amazing opportunity for your child to have qualified coaching in gymnastics for a discounted price. A 9 week program with all equipment supplied and a fully qualified coach for only \$20 and \$15 for each extra sibling. It is not too late to have your child involved in this excellent opportunity.

Cross Country

Approximately 42 students have been selected to represent the school at the Zone carnival to be held here at Tenterfield on Friday, May 20. Notes and money MUST be returned to your child's classroom teacher by Wednesday, May 18. Your child's participation in this event is influenced by their attendance, attitude and achievement. If your child does not pay the \$5 levy (this covers casual teachers, trophies, ribbons, uniforms) they can not participate in the zone carnival.

National Walk Safely To School

ACTIVE KIDS ARE HEALTHY KIDS.

National *Walk Safely To School Day* is being celebrated on Friday, May 20. On this day, parents are encouraged to walk with their child to school and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour. The day is also promoting the health benefits of regular walking – strengthen the heart, bones and muscles; reduces the risk of developing type II diabetes, heart disease and some cancers, improves mental health; makes people happier; gives more energy; reduce stress; helps people sleep more soundly.

Other benefits include reducing pollution and improved safety around schools with less congestion. We need to encourage and ensure children have a thorough knowledge of how to be a safe pedestrian and create a love of regular physical activity.

Netball

Last Friday the girls netball team travelled to Glen Innes (in the horrible weather) for the first round of the State Knockout. Although the girls were beaten, they gained a great deal of experience and grew in confidence as the game went on.

The team were: Georgiana Chawner, Courtney Moss, Liana Meneguzzi, Cassidi Bird, Chloe Morris, Amber Butler, Rachel Cowin, Melissa Tighe, Isabella Franchi and Sophie Kirby. Congratulations to all these girls.

A big thank you to Mr Bird, Mr Chawner, Mrs Meneguzzi and Mrs Cowin for providing transport.

Crunch and Sip

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1. Kids love their crunchy texture and sweet flavour
2. They are a source of iron, protein and potassium
3. They don't bruise easily
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Thank You

After a great many years teaching, of which the last nine have been here at The Sir Henry Parkes School. I have decided to no longer teach in a permanent full time position. I will miss the children and the parents as well as the camaraderie of the staff but I am looking forward to having the time to pursue a great many other activities.

My heartfelt thanks to the many parents and children who have given me cards, letters and spoken with me about the years I have been here. I have enjoyed teaching your children. I consider myself very fortunate to have had a job that I was excited about and always looked forward to Monday mornings and the end of holidays. I could not have asked for anything more in a teaching career. Leonie Webb.

Some pics from the Oracles of the Bush Children's Concert.



CALENDAR

MTH	WK	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	S / S
May	4	16 Gymnastics (change)	17 Gymnastics. Boys&Girls Hockey, Inverell.	18 Guitar Lessons. Boys&Girls Soccer Glen Innes.	19 Opens Rugby League, Glen Innes.	20 Zone X Country. Assemblies:- Primary 9am, Infants 11:30am.	21/22
	5	23 Book Fair. Gymnastics (change for this week)	24 Book Fair.	25 Book Fair. Gymnastics. Debating Training Day Inverell. Guitar Lessons.	26 Book Fair. Preschool's 'School Readiness Night'.	27 Book Fair.	28/29
May June	6	30	31 Gymnastics	1 Gymnastics. Guitar Lessons.	2	3 Assemblies.	4/5

CANTEEN

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed	18	Vicki Hill, Bev Dorrington
Thur	19	Monica Freeman, Nikki Phelps
Fri	20	Lou Holley, Nell Sutton
Mon	23	Leeza Wishart, Melinda Campbell
Tue	24	Monica Freeman, Angela Brown
Wed	25	Aleeca Zellers, Jennifer Sutcliffe

Homebake

Mon	23	Deanne Eaton
Wed	25	Rachel Brown
Fri	27	Kristy Faulkner

DONATIONS (This Week)

Cruskits	Natalie Harris
Margarine	Tania Shearer
Eggs	Kristy Faulkner
Sliced Beetroot	Roselee Henry, Jennifer Rhodes
Lettuce	Tracy Caldwell

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:

SILVER PENNANT:
BRONZE PENNANT:
GOLD PENNANT:

SPORTS AWARD:

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

MEAL DEAL - Wed May 18th

CHICK N' DIP - A bag of chicken chippies plus a popper with a mini pancake with maple syrup and ice cream \$4.50

Other Choices: 2 mini pies \$2.00
 Hot Dog Roll \$2.50

\$2 voucher winners:

Connor & Charlotte Weinand, Annie-May Newman,
 Hayley Carpenter, Isaac Fittler and Patricia Willoughby.

Thank you so much for your support in returning the collect-a-caps last week, a great effort.

Please find attached the new menu and price list for Term 2.