



# School Newsletter

Term 3, Week 2, 2011.

## Assemblies

Infants-11.30am  
Primary-12.30pm

## Attachments

Oceans of Fun

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

## Dear Parents and Community Members.....

### New Student Portals (emails)

Currently all NSW public school students have access to a Department email address.

The current address for emails is

[student.name@education.nsw.gov.au](mailto:student.name@education.nsw.gov.au)

Four new student portals have been developed to support the different needs of students: Kindergarten to Year 2, Years 3-6, Years 7-12 and TAFE.

With the success of the Year 7 to 10 rollout, the Years 11 and 12 portal will be available on July 25<sup>th</sup>, with KIDSPACE (K- 2) to follow on August 1<sup>st</sup> and finally Student Portal (Years 3-6) on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

The portals will be accessible from both home and school. The new address for students will be

[student.name@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:student.name@det.nsw.edu.au)

Enhanced features include being able to search, access and organise information for school tasks via the student portal on computers used at home or at school, at any time.

Dates can be added into a calendar portal as reminders for assessment tasks, homework and other Important events and colours can also be customised.

### National Aboriginal Children's Day celebrations

The Local Benevolent Society are planning some activities at school to celebrate National Aboriginal Children's Day.

This is officially Thursday August 4<sup>th</sup>, however activities are planned for **Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>** from 11:30-1pm.

All children will be involved in seeing some welcome dances, face painting and story telling as well as a free sausage sizzle at lunch time.

The Benevolent Society are planning all activities in conjunction with the school and are supplying all resources including the sausages.

This is a great opportunity for the school to work with local community groups and for the children to have a bit of extra fun at school.

### New England Division of General Practice visit

This **Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup>** will see the return of Matt Schumaker to the school to work with the students in year 6.

He will spend approximately 1 hr with the students as a follow up to the Eat Well, Play Well visits that occurred earlier in the year.

Matt will concentrate on self esteem issues and will work with the students both inside and outside of the classroom.

### Picking up/parking

A reminder that the 2 staff parking areas are for staff parking only and are not to be used for picking up or dropping off students.

There is plenty of parking available on the access road on the northern end of school as well as parking in the street.

There are some no parking zones along the front of school and parents need to be mindful that they are not to be parked in these areas waiting for students.

Please also be aware of the pedestrian crossing, it is important for all of our children's safety that we are not only mindful of safe areas but model appropriate behaviour for our children.

Of course in the morning and afternoon the streets surrounding the school are 40km per hour zones so please do not exceed this. I would hate to see a terrible tragedy occur at our front gates.

### Father's Day BBQ breakfast and raffle

The P&C will be hosting a father's day bbq breakfast on **Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>** from 7:30am to 9:00am.

This is to invite all fathers and their children into the school for a breakfast, to spend some time with their children in the school setting in a positive and supportive way. Please put this time in your work schedule.

There will be a raffle for father's day and the P&C are asking for any donations suitable for a dad to be brought into the office.

This could be anything from a bottle of deodorant or shaving cream to car wax and polish or even tools.

All donations will be thankfully received.

### P&C Trivia Night

The P&C will be running a trivia night fundraiser here at school on **Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30pm.

Start forming your team of 6-8 people with the cost being \$15 per head.

The night will have a football theme (dress up) with proceeds going towards purchasing new football uniforms for the school team.

This will be an adults only night with children not allowed, so start working on getting your team together.

More information will follow in coming weeks.

### Values in Education-Anti Bullying Program

Our school has received a grant to implement an Anti Bullying Program. The main aim of this program is to reduce bystander bullying.

This means reducing the incidents of people watching others being bullied.

The program links with "You Can Do It" as it deals with Resilience (remaining strong at difficult times) and Confidence (being able to stand up to bullies).

The first part of our program was a slogan competition. These slogans had to have an Anti Bullying message. The school has voted on these slogans and the winning slogan has been printed onto silicone wrist bands.

The wrist bands will be launched at a special assembly on **Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 2pm**. Parents are invited and a number of guest's from various community groups and organisations will be attending.

**NO TO BULLYING**



## Premier's Spelling Bee

The Premier's Spelling Bee will be held on **Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>** at 9am in the Primary Hall for students in Years 3-6. Classes will have selected students to participate in the event.

To access the word list parents can go to:

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/speaking-competitions/spelling-bee/2011-premiers-spelling-bee>

**Username:** teacher

**Password:** arachnophobia

If you do not have access to the internet and would like the word list please contact Miss Eakin.

## Year 5 and 6 Lake Ainsworth Excursion

Please keep paying off your excursion. You can pay in installments. **ALL** money **MUST** be finalised by **Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

## Debating

**Next Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>**, the debating teams will travel to Armidale to participate in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of the Premier's Debating Challenge. We wish them well.

## Book Club

Leaflets were given out last week and will be due back by **Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**. The ordering will be done on that day and arrive back at school the following week.

## K-2 Excursion

A reminder that permission notes and a **\$10 deposit** need to be given to class teachers by **Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

For children to attend this excursion they will have to have demonstrated good behavior levels in the week leading up to the excursion.

If children are ineligible to attend the excursion, because of behaviour, parents will be notified.



**CAP Art Day at school**



## Crunch and Sip

### Winter fruits

Students have crunched their way through the delicious nectarines, peaches and grapes of summer, and are now looking forward to the fresh, crisp apples and juicy oranges available in winter.

However, large pieces of fruit can be difficult for small children to manage, especially with wiggly teeth! On top of this, it takes small children a long time to eat a large apple, orange or pear and they can be quite messy, especially if they're fresh and juicy.

Now that the delicious winter fruit is available, try and choose small to medium pieces of fruit to send for Crunch & Sip. Or you could chop up a large piece into smaller, more manageable pieces for your child to enjoy.

## State Cross Country

Last week, Rylee Cooper and Georgiana Chawner travelled to Sydney for the State Cross Country carnival.

In trying conditions, wet, windy and cold, both girls performed exceptionally well with Rylee finishing 60<sup>th</sup> in the 10yrs and Georgiana finishing 16<sup>th</sup> in the 11yrs.

Congratulations on your tremendous efforts and achievements.

## Zone Athletics Carnival

37 students aged 8-13yrs who finished first or second in an event and made qualifying standards have been selected for the zone carnival to be held in Emmaville on **Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**.

They need to be Triple "A" students to attend this event. Notes and money (money for transport and money for zone levy) **MUST** be returned to class teachers by **THURSDAY, July 28<sup>th</sup>**.

## Lost Property

There is an enormous amount of clothing in the lost property boxes. If your child has lost an item/s please check the boxes.

Most items seem to be unnamed please ensure that you name your child/s clothes clearly as it makes it easy for your child to get their clothing back.



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# CALENDAR

MTH	WK	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	S / S
July	2	25 P&C mtg 6.30pm	26	27 Guitar Lessons. Yr 6 transition day at THS 11am	28 Scripture. Healthy Program with Matt Schumaker.	29 Assemblies.	30/31
August	3	1 Debating in Armidale	2	3 Guitar Lessons. Money and Note due for K-2 excursion	4 Scripture. ZONE Athletics at Emmaville	5 National Aboriginal Children's Day Celebrations	30/31

## CANTEEN

### CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed	27	Deanne Eaton, Vicki Zappa
Thur	28	Monika Freeman, Shona Clark
Fri	29	Abbi Maher, Janet Lockwood
Mon	1	Help needed please
Tue	2	Monika Freeman, Teena Hawke
Wed	3	Kim Cox, Maria Fittler

### Homebake

Mon	1	Nikki Phelps
Wed	2	Dana Bird
Fri	3	Tracy Caldwell

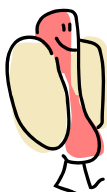
### DONATIONS (This Week)

Cruskits	Sam Murphy, Jen Suttcliffe
Block Cheese	Sylvia Ibbett
Margarine	Teena Hawke, Polly Sargeant
Eggs	Yvonne Cole
Lettuce	Kim Cox
Tomatoes	Robyn Hillier
Tomato Sauce	Kristine McCowen
Mayonnaise	Jody Lieberman

### MEAL DEAL - Wed, July 20th - HENRY'S SUB FEAST

Long roll filled with meat balls in pasta sauce baked in oven, plus a popper and a scoop of ice cream topped with strawberry topping and a wafer biscuit.

**Other Choices:** Sausage Roll \$2.20  
Hot Dog in Roll \$2.50



## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

### PERSONAL BEST:

As some of you may be aware we mistakenly left out several names of our PB winners in last week newsletter. All winners names are:

**K-6S**-Jia Moore, **KM**-Tobi Lieberman, **KC**-Renee Jenkins, **K/1C**- Malik Whightman, **1L**- Ellie Graham-Campbell, **2PB**-Hannah Phelps, **2/3K**-Zoe Jenkins, **3B**-Layla Maher, **4/5J**-Angie-Lyn Reknow, **4/5E**-Sonia Kirby, **5/6T**-Jay Hamilton, **5/6M**-Ivy Cross.

### Healthy Habits

To be healthy we just need to follow some simple rules:

- **ALWAYS** wash your hands before eating and after going to the toilet.
- Eat **LOTS** of fruit and vegetables.
- Wear a hat while playing outside.
- Get plenty of exercise (difficult in cool weather but some ideas for indoors include – dancing, doing an exercise DVD eg. Aerobics, Zumba; weights, sit-ups, pushups, riding an exercise bike).

### COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

#### Weekend tennis Camp In Tenterfield

**Saturday August 13th and Sunday August 14th**  
with Tony Polack-Club professional tennis Coach  
(ran successful camp in school holidays)  
**SAT-1pm to 5pm and SUN 8:30am to 2pm (lunch 1/2 hr)**  
**For ages 7-17- Cost \$55 or \$30/day**  
**SUN-2pm to 3:30pm for ages 5/6 cost \$15**  
Privates/semi privates avail by arrangement.  
To enrol Ph Christine Foster-67 362 277 or Tony-  
0428454928 or email tony on [tpolack@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tpolack@optusnet.com.au)  
Enrolments close Wednesday August 10th.

#### Country Curtains

Country Curtains is having a 50 % sale on our girls school skirts material.

**Regular price \$15.95**  
**NOW \$7.95**

#### Club Scouts

Club Scouts recommencing –Ages 7-10 years  
Possibly scouts (11-14years) if a leader can be found

Drama Club also running this term-Infants and primary

To join or info contact Kerri Swain on: **67 361 466**