



## The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Public School

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**Term 3, Week 8, 2012**

**Dear Parents and Community Members,**

### Funding 2013

During the week we received some fantastic news about our Priority School Funding (PSP) for 2013. Many of our parents took the time to fill out surveys at the beginning of the year in relation to the PSP funding.

This has been renamed in 2013 under the Local Schools Local Decisions as Transitional Equity Funding. Our school has been successful in receiving this funding in 2013 however it is only guaranteed for 1 year.

As there are many changes to the way schools are being funded we are only guaranteed one year's funding. Hopefully this will continue after 2013 but with the changes associated with Local Schools Local Decisions we cannot be assured that this will be the case.

### Nit Flick Weekend

Thank you to all of those parents who took the time and effort to wash everyone's hair in Headlice products. Many parents received free samples from the school through the P&C.

This is a great way to try to eradicate headlice from our school. If possible a follow up wash this weekend will enforce and further strengthen the schools resolve to remove headlice from our school.

### Term 3/4

The last day of Term 3 is **Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**, with students returning after the holidays on **Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>**.

Please note that there is no school development day at the beginning of Term 4, these occur at the end of Term 4. The last day of Term 4 for students is **Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>** with the teachers having 2 school development days after that date.

### 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 while 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.

### Toy Catalogues

A reminder that orders and payment are due this **Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**. The School receives a voucher for 20% of all orders which we use to purchase resources for Infants.

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

### Facebook

Just a reminder to all parents and students that officially a student must tick a box when creating a facebook account that says they are over the age of 13.

As we have no students of that age, officially no student in primary school should have a facebook account.

It is also not appropriate for teachers to accept "friend requests" from students while they are attending school. We often have requests from parents concerning what is written on facebook accounts and inappropriate discussions between students.

Please remember that you, as parents, need to be extremely vigilant if your child has facebook access and if they are "underage" they should not be accessing facebook.

### Cake Day

Cake Day is this **Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Year 1 are supplying cakes and slices.

Treats will be priced from 20 to 50 cents. We also need some parents to help set up and sell. If you can help please be at the Infants Staffroom at 10am. Thank you for your support.

### MSKR

This Friday year 6 students will complete their last session of the very successful and tasty My School Kitchen Rules Program. Six students who are yet to be named, will compete in the final cook off whilst the rest of year six will complete other set activities.

Stay tuned to find out who will be our champion chefs in the making.

### Buddy-Up Camp Quality afternoon

The school looked amazing with the variations of yellow. We not only welcomed Spring, but we were focussing on raising funds for children who attend Camp Quality. Camp Quality create fun therapy activities for kids with cancer so they can forget about their illness.

Camp Quality are also running the Sylvania 100K's Kids. Cyclists are riding from Ipswich to Newcastle, the cyclists will be at our school on Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:10am.

They will bring along Camp Quality prizes for the winners of the competitions that were part of our Buddy-Up afternoon last Thursday, in which the whole school took part in social skills activities. I would like to thank all the leaders for the fantastic job that they did, I greatly appreciate their involvement.

### Social

There will be a social on **Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** starting at 5pm-7pm, theme will be "RANDOM". Cost will be \$4.50

## Crunch and Sip and Health Message



The juicy oranges and delicious pears are almost finished for another year and students are looking forward to munching on the new season rockmelons, mangoes and pineapples during Crunch&Sip.

Children love variety, so why not send a combination of these fruits chopped in a small container for your child to enjoy for Crunch&Sip? Make sure the fruit is in manageable sized pieces, to help reduce mess.

## Fruit 'n' Veg Month



Fruit 'n' Veg Month continues until **Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**. During this month children are challenged to eat fruit and vegies. Students have many opportunities to eat fruit and vegetables at school – during Crunch, recess and lunch.

Fruit and vegetables provide us with the necessary vitamins and minerals for our bodies to function properly, healthily and to the best of its ability. Fruit and vegetables give us energy, help our bodies to grow, our brains to function to help us to stop getting and/or fight of illness.

There are hundreds of types of fruit and vegetables (there are 10 different types of apples) so if you find you don't like one try another. REMEMBER TO "EAT THE COLOUR OF THE RAINBOW".



## Zone Debating Final

Last Thursday our school debating team, *The Persuaders* (Georgiana Chawner, Juda Callaghan, Chloe Morris and Aislyn Kerr) debated Ben Venue Public School in the Zone Debating Final for the Premier's Debating Challenge. The topic was "*That school students should be involved in decision making*" and our team was the negative team. Both teams debated strongly with some excellent arguments and rebuttals. The Ben Venue team also had a student who had won the regional Multicultural Public Speaking competition.



In a close decision, our team won and now will debate in the Regional Final against either Quirindi Public School or South Tamworth Public School at Armidale on **Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**.

Georgiana Chawner, Chloe Morris, Patricia Willoughby and Sonya Campbell-Astruc will also try out for the regional debating team to compete in Sydney in November. We wish all the students well and safe travelling.

## Regional Athletics Carnival

Last Friday, 17 students participated in the Regional Athletics Carnival in Tamworth.

A special thank you to those parents who assisted with transport and who also supported and encouraged all students. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

### RESULTS:

Kirri-Lee Cutmore – 4<sup>th</sup> 9yrs 100m  
Phoebe Cooper – P.B. and 5<sup>th</sup> Jnr 800m  
Monique Hooper – 9<sup>th</sup> Jnr 200m  
Ella Wishart – P.B. and 1<sup>st</sup> Jnr High Jump, P.B. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Jnr Discus and P.B. and 4<sup>th</sup> Jnr Long Jump  
Rylee Cooper – 8<sup>th</sup> 11yrs 800m  
Hayley Peterson – 4<sup>th</sup> 11yrs 100m, 4<sup>th</sup> 11yrs 200m and 4<sup>th</sup> 11yrs 800m

Georgiana Chawner – 3<sup>rd</sup> Snr 800m, 7<sup>th</sup> 12yrs 100m

Tyler Sargeant – 8<sup>th</sup> Jnr 800m

Chaney Rhodes – 7<sup>th</sup> 11yrs High Jump

Will Evans – P.B. in 11yrs High Jump, 4<sup>th</sup> 11yrs 200m, P.B. and 5<sup>th</sup> 11yrs 800m, 5<sup>th</sup> 11yrs Discus and 9<sup>th</sup> 11yrs 100m



Geoffrey Swan – P.B. and 4<sup>th</sup> Snr High Jump

Zac Lieberman – 5<sup>th</sup> Snr 200m, P.B. and 7<sup>th</sup> 12yrs 100m

Jacob Cox – 6<sup>th</sup> Snr 800m and P.B. and 6<sup>th</sup> Snr Long Jump  
Snr Girls relay team 6<sup>th</sup> (Olivia Croft, Hayley Peterson, Courtney Moss and Georgiana Chawner).

## Year 5 & 6 Excursion To Gold Coast & Brisbane

Final payment is due by **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>**. If you are having any financial difficulties please inform the school.

## K-2 Coffs Harbour Excursion

It is getting closer to our exciting excursion to Coffs Harbour, only one week to go. If your child has already paid the deposit, the remaining \$15 is due no later than **THIS Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**.



## Touch Footy

On Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> the boys touch team travelled to Gunnedah to take on Gulargambone Central School in the third round of the NSW PSSA State Knockout. This was always going to be a tough game with the boys from out west featuring in recent regional finals.

After Gulargambone all but scored in the first set, our boys knew they would have to play well to remain in the contest. The game went from end to end with highly entertaining touch football being played by both teams. At the half time bell, our boys were holding a solid 4-1 lead although the score didn't represent the closeness of the game.

In the second half, the opposition came out guns blazing and put two quick touchdowns on. To their credit, our boys dug their heels in and hit back with two of their own. As the clock wasted away, the boys from Gulargambone had no other choice but to throw the ball around and as a result they produced a few dropped balls to which our boys strung together some great attacking raids and put two more late touchdowns. The final score finished on 7-3 our way with Tyler Sargeant adding four of his own.

Co-Coach Mr Maher said 'full credit to the Gulargambone boys who only have 11 students to choose their team from. They had plenty of talented young athletes and we were very grateful to be heading home with the win. We will now focus on our game against Uralla Central at Uralla on **Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**. I know the coach personally and he thinks it should be a good game'. Other co-coach Mr Geoff Swan then added 'the winner of this game will go into the regional final so we're leaving nothing to chance and will be training twice a day until then'.



# CALENDAR

| MTH                   | WK | MON  | TUES   | WED  | THUR   | FRI   | S / S |
|-----------------------|----|--|--|--|--|---|-------|
| Sep                   | 8  | 3<br>*Peer Support for Yrs 5&6<br>*Mr Daniels away     | 4<br>*Gymnastics<br>*Mr Daniels away<br>*Soccer Sausage Sizzle | 5<br>*Guitar-Infants Hall<br>*Gymnastics<br>*Toy Catalogue Due<br>*Playgroup<br>*Mr Daniels away<br>*Touch Footy –Uralla | 6<br>*Book club orders due<br>*Mr Daniels away | 7<br>*Cake Day-Yr 1<br>*Coffs Harbour payments due<br>*MSKR-Final both groups | 8/9   |
| SASS Recognition Week |    |  |  |  |  |   |       |
| Sep                   | 9  | 10<br>*Camp Quality visit<br>*Soccer<br>*Social-RANDOM | 11<br>*Soccer  | 12<br>*Playgroup<br>*Regional– Spelling Bee<br>*Movie day 10am   | 13<br>*K-2 Excursion                           | 14<br>*Assembly Infants<br>11:30am 1/2J<br>Primary 12:30pm                    | 15/16 |

## CANTEEN ROSTER

|      |      |  |
|------|------|--|
| Wed  | 5th  | Aleeca Sellers, Kim Cox, Vicki Hill    |
| Thur | 6th  | Monkia Freeman, Melissa Oakes          |
| Fri  | 7th  | Danielle Sheppard, Ally Stuart         |
| Mon  | 10th | Leeza Wishart, Melinda Campbell        |
| Tues | 11th | Angela Brown                           |
| Wed  | 12th | Kim Cox, Sharon Hollis, Janice Chawner |

## Homebake (Next Week)

|     |      |                            |
|-----|------|----------------------------|
| Mon | 10th | Roberta Koch               |
| Wed | 12th | If you can bake. Thank you |
| Fri | 14th | Sam Murphy                 |

## DONATIONS (This Week)

|                 |                                  |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Tomato Sauce    | Alison Tonkin, Sylvia Ibbett     |
| Blocked Cheese  | Jayne Harvey                     |
| Cruskits        | Melissa Oakes                    |
| Sliced Beetroot | Natalie Watt                     |
| Eggs            | Jayne Collier                    |
| Lettuce         | Marie Thomas, Deanne Eaton       |
| Margarine       | Lisa Beltrame, Crystal Liesegang |

## MEAL DEAL THIS WEEK– “ Fresh for Kids”

Enjoy a fresh chicken burger with lettuce, cheese and BBQ sauce plus a popper and a bowl of pancakes topped with ice-cream and maple syrup  
\$4.50



Other choices: 6 chicken Nuggets \$2.20  
2 mini pies \$2.00

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:

**INFANTS:** Lily Collier, Nate DeRooy, Sophie-Lee Latta, Sean Campbell-Sproule, Nessa Butler

**PRIMARY:** Luke Bates, Isabell Halliday, Jordan Petrie, Chaney Rhodes, Courtney Moss, Michelle Townsend

**KINDNESS CERTIFICATE:** Kira Charlton

**BRONZE AWARDS:** Jade Sargeant, Sophie-Rose Halliday, Georgie McKinley, Sophie-Lee Latta

## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

### Town Basketball

Draw for the Grand Final, Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>

**Division C:** 4:00pm group 1

4:30pm group 2 followed by presentation

**Division B:** 5:15pm Green v Pink

6:00pm Purple v Yellow

**Division A:** 6:40pm Hawkes v Crocs

7:15pm Presentation Division A and B,

note all players in Division B will receive an award

### Blue Light Disco

Stanthorpe Blue Light Association are having a Blue Light Disco on Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> for under 18 years of age

At the Civic Centre in Stanthorpe

**Prep-Year 3** - 5:30pm 7:00pm

**Year 4–Year 7** - 7:15pm—8:45pm

Cost \$5

Music provided by top beat and a jumping castle will be present for Primary ONLY.

Crisp buses will be running from Wallangarra on the night at a cost of \$6. For pick up times call Crisp Buses.

### Border Blues Little Athletics Registrations

4.30pm – 5.30pm Tuesdays 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> September, Federation Park U6 to U17 years \$70.00. \$5 discount for above dates.

Training Night for coming season is Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 5pm-6.45pm.

Free trials 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October for newcomers.

Enquiries please contact Juanita Sullivan 0427 361694(m).

### AK4C (Aussie Kids 4 Christ)

AK4C is on every Wednesday @ 4pm  
@ the Presbyterian Hall.

Call Merelyn on 0437681628 for more information.



# PLAYGROUP



## TOUCH FOOTY