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NEWSLETTER

Week 7 Term 1

15 March 2013

We were blessed with some beautiful weather this week, which brought out some very smiley faces as students enjoyed the back oval during lunch breaks. Thank you to our students who consistently remember to bring their hats to school and keep them safely in their bags.

On Monday Mrs Lord again welcomed Ms Bertuzzi (Best Start Coordinator) to undertake a range of Numeracy activities in her 1/2/3 class. All students had a wonderful time and we thank Ms. Bertuzzi for her support.

During our staff meeting on staff learnt about the Learner and the New Curriculum, in line with the **New Australian Curriculum**. In 2014, primary teachers across NSW will implement the new English syllabus. During our training staff were encouraged to reflect on the learning styles of students and catering for the evolving needs of 21st century learners.

We are excited about the new curriculum and dynamic teaching and learning opportunities it will bring for our students. During our term 2 staff development Days we will be working collaboratively with the Big Scrub Learning Community to embed this knowledge and develop engaging and exciting teaching and learning programs.

For more information on the **NSW Syllabuses for the New Australian Curriculum** you can visit:

<http://syllabus.bos.nsw.edu.au/>

This week in my class students have been learning about Procedures. They have been involved in reading, writing, talking and listening activities, such as finding examples in newspapers and on the internet. In coming weeks they will be using the iPad to film each other and develop a short procedure video. Some pictures have been included on the following page.

Trisha Harvey

Principal

Important Dates

Monday 18 March

Rous Water Visit (Years 3-6)
Active After Schools

Tuesday 19 March

North Coast Principal's Conference
– Coffs Harbour

Wednesday 20 March

Harmony Day at Tunttable Creek PS
Hot Cross Bun Orders Due

Thursday 21 March

Book Club Due

Friday 22 March

Canteen
Active After Schools

Friday 29 March

Good Friday

Monday 1 April

Easter Monday

Canteen

A reminder to all families that canteen is available for your child on the following dates:

Fridays: 22 March and 5 April.

Student Awards

K/1

Zayden Perpignano- Fabulous work in Literacy!

Jazmin Middlemiss – Great letter learning!

Emerging Writers

Saskia Whyte

Tahj Herman-Bromley

Tumahn Young

Grace Randle

1/2/3

Pierce Singer – Completing work in Library!

Tavio Perpignano – Using his dictionary in Writing!

Billie Beasley-Payne- Excellent work in Reading!

3/4/5/6

Abby Tait – Arriving on time every time!

Lilian Droulers – An excellent Minister for Library!

Talia Osborne – An excellent Minister for Library!

Luka Taylor – An excellent Minister for I.C.T!

Parent & Community Survey

Please find attached to this newsletter a Parent & Community Survey. Being new to the school I would like to collect information from parents and community relating to their skills, interests and opportunities to support programs at our school.

I would also like to encourage parents wishing to support our programs at school to complete the 'Working with Children Check' form. If you require a new form, please contact the school. I look forward to the ongoing commitment and quality partnerships of parents supporting our wonderful school.

Please return these surveys to the school ASAP.

Thank you

Sun Safety

Our school has a **No hat, Play in the Shade Policy** in line with the NSW Department of Education and Communities to keep our students safe from the sun. We regularly encourage students to wear sunscreen at school, however, if your child has allergies to certain types. If this is the case, please send into the school a tube of the sunscreen that is safe to use for your child.

Student Transport

NSW Department of Education and Communities policies encourage staff members not to transport students in their cars. This includes to and from school, or to other school events. This ensures the safety and wellbeing of all students and staff in line with Child Protection legislation.

Please do not ask staff members to transport your child in their car, as they are not allowed to. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Ms. Harvey's students talking about procedures



Change of Address/ Phone/Contacts

If you have change your address, phone number, emergency contact please fill in the form attached to this newsletter and return to school by next Friday the 22nd March.

Absentees

If your child is late to school they will need to go to the front office to get a late slip to be given to their class teacher. Early leavers slips are given to class teachers when your child is signed out.

If your child is absent e.g. sick you can either phone the school that morning where an absentee notice will be given to your child's teacher or send a note on your child's return to explain their absents.

Students who have been away and reason not given are issued with an Unexplained Notice. Please fill out and return to school.

If you are going on an extended holiday please see Mrs Harvey for an Exemption.

Harmony Day Excursion

Next Wednesday the 20th March the whole school will be travelling by bus to Tunttable Creek to participate in Harmony Day activities. The cost is \$2.00 per student. The bus will be leaving at 9.45am and return by 3pm.

Students need to be in full school uniform, wear covered shoes and school hat. They will need to bring recess, lunch and drinks. Please return permission note attached to this newsletter and money to school by next Tuesday the 19th March.

Bell Times

The morning bell will now be rung at 8.55am instead of 9am so we can have morning assembly and commence lessons as soon as possible.

University of NSW Competitions For Schools

The University of NSW Competitions For Schools which will start next term. This year students from Year 2 are able compete in the English and Maths test only. Years 3/4/5/6 are able to compete in all the tests which include Computers, Science , Spelling , Writing, English and Maths.

If you would like your child to participate please fill in the attached form and return to school with money by Friday the 12th April 2013.

K 1/ Home Readers

Parents please send in your child's plastic Home Reader Bags on Monday so Home Readers can be exchanged.

Thankyou

Mrs Shipard

Class Teacher

Leaders Report

On Tuesday we had sport.

On Wednesday we had Mrs Lord.

On Thursday we had Mrs Rena .

And on Friday we had assembly.

Luka

IN CO-OPERATIVE LEARNING

K/1/2/3 WORKED TOGETHER AS A GROUP DOING JIGSAWS



Hot Cross Buns

The P&C is having a Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser. Notes went home two weeks ago. If any families would like to purchase Hot Cross buns for \$6.00 for a pack of 6 in either Traditional, Chocolate Chip, Chocolate/Mocha or Fruitless please return notes and money to school by next Wednesday the 20th March.

Thank you

CANTEEN

22ND MARCH 2013

Fixed Menu

Pies from \$4.50 and Sandwiches from \$2.00

Roster: Sarah Osborne, Laila O'Keefe

Cake Roster: Kate McIntyre, Hayley Foster

Please send along a paper bag with your child's name, class and correct money if possible, inside.

Please remember to bring some fruit when on roster so there is enough morning tea for all the children.

Thanks Scott



Australia's First Coloured Commemorative Coin!

LIMITED EDITION

For a \$10 donation
the \$2 Poppy Coin will come with a Certificate of Donation

Australia's first commemorative \$2 coin in colour has been unveiled by the RSL and the Royal Australian Mint. A unique Australian legal tender, this ground breaking \$2 coin is simply an outstanding keepsake for every Australian.

The coin depicts the red Flanders Poppy, which is synonymous with Remembrance Day and the sacrifices made by Australians in conflict.

All funds raised go to support our vital RSL programs helping thousands of Veterans' and serving Defence personnel and their families in homes and communities across Australia.



Available from the RSL National Office at Level 8, 65 Constitution Avenue CAMPBELL ACT

Phone orders can also be made through the National Office at 02 6248 7199.

Please note there will be a minimum postal charge of \$5 per coin.

www.rsl.org.au

Northern Star

Our School is Appearing in

My First Year 2013

The Northern Star Presents Kindy 2013

This 24 page keepsake special covering schools of the entire region will be inside The Northern Star on Monday 25th March. Pre-order your copy from your local newsagent today!

WE NEED YOU!!!!



In 2012, **The Channon Public School P&C** committee

- Was instrumental in getting a new whiteboard (and glare-reducing curtains) for Mrs Cantrell's room.
- Designed and ordered the fleecy school jackets that parents can purchase at a reduced cost from school when the weather turns cold.
- Orchestrated the many fundraisers throughout the year that made it possible for the P&C to subsidise most school excursions and school camps, as well as fund fantastic programs for our kids like SMASH.

But after all that hard work we're tired! We need HELP!

Please come along to our next meeting, on Wednesday, April 10, at 4pm at school.

Not only will you get to have your say in what happens at your school, but your efforts will be rewarded with a better school for all of our kids. You might even make new friends and have a bit of fun. And get a Tim Tam, or a rice cracker and hommus, or a nice cup of tea....

We can't do it without you.