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Principal's Message

‘We ALL have the ABILITY to shape the way our lives will turn out.’

Excellent Behaviour

Congratulations to our Yr 3 and Yr 4 students for their outstanding behaviour whilst on the Taronga Zoo excursion last week. You were an absolute credit to our school. Thank you to Mrs English for organising the excursion and to Mrs Bowd, Mrs Price, Mrs McLean, Mr Formby, Mr Smith and our wonderful parent helpers who accompanied the students on the day. Please see inside for further details.
Valley School's Leadership Presentation Night

Last Wednesday evening our Student Leadership Team took part in the Valley Schools’ Leadership Presentation Forum. Student leaders from each of the Valley Schools presented their leadership projects. The evening was the culmination of several months planning and work by the student leaders.

The Leadership Team included Madeline F, Harrison W, Ben M, Sarah F, Justin B, Dean H, Lisa D, Riley F, Georgia M, Toby F, Connor W and Lily B. On the night, Connor W was one of the MC’s while Lisa D, Georgia M, Sarah F and Harrison W did a great job presenting our teams project.

Leadership Team presenters – Harrison W, Georgia M, Sarah F & Lisa D

Online Safety Forum

A Cyber Safety Forum will be held at Niagara Park Public School on Thursday, 6th November from 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm. All parents from schools in the Valley Schools’ Learning Community are invited to attend. The Youth Liaison Officers from Gosford Police Station will be in attendance to discuss various issues that impact children in relation to online safety. They will provide strategies for keeping children safe online and how to prevent issues happening. RSVP by contacting Niagara Park PS office on 4328 3488.

RAP Working Bee

A BIG thank you to the fabulous team of volunteers who came in on Sunday, 26th October to work on regenerating the frog pond area. The day was hot, with the temperature over 30 degrees and our volunteers did a lot of work. Thank you to Nicole and Bethany Worrall, Liz, Suzie and Cooper Moore, Sandrine, Tindo and Kiyan Galimard, Will and Annabel Nicholson, Natasha Sarooshi, Reuben and Lua Elmualin. Our frog pond area now has an assortment of new plants along the boundary line.

Planning for 2015
We have commenced our planning and organisation for formation of 2015 classes. If you know that your child/ren won't be attending our school in 2015, with the exception of Yr 6 students, could you please inform the office. Similarly, if you are aware of any students moving into our area who will be attending our school in 2015, please ask the families to make contact with the school.

School Surveys and School Vision
If you haven't already completed our online Parent Satisfaction Survey, please do so by Sunday, 9th November. We will be using the survey information to guide our planning for 2015 and beyond. We would appreciate your thoughts on our performance and future directions for the school as we move into the planning phase for our next 3 Year Strategic School Plan. If you do not have internet access, you can complete this survey online at school or ask for a paper copy to be sent home. When you complete the survey, return the slip that was on the survey information note that went home last week and your child/ren will go into the draw for a canteen voucher. I encourage all families to take part in this online survey.

Kindergarten Enrolments
Are you looking for an exceptional education for your child? Our excellent programs and highly qualified teachers provide the ideal learning environment where your child can realise their full potential. Call Miss Clulow on 4362 1033 to find out more or to see our great school in action.

2015 Kindergarten Transition Program
A big, warm welcome to all of our Kindy students who will be starting school next year. The boys and girls have been coming into school and taking part in our usual transition activities, along with our new Ready, Set, Go Program which has been a huge success. Thank you to Miss Clulow and Mrs Curtis for organising the program, also to all of our wonderful parent helpers.

Fun-a-thon
Our Fun-a-thon will be on tomorrow, weather permitting. Students in Yrs 3-6 will have lots of fun between 9 am and 10 am. Kinder, Yr 1 and Yr 2 will have lots of fun between 10 am and 11am. We are all looking forward to the Fun-a-thon. Please remember to return your sponsorship card.

Student Safety
Thank you to the majority of boys and girls who continue to walk or ride to school in a safe, sensible manner. It has been reported that a couple of students are not riding their bike in a safe manner or using the pedestrian crossing properly. I have talked to the boys and girls about travelling to and from school safely. As this is a shared responsibility, it would be appreciated if you could also talk to your child/ren about safe, sensible bike riding and pedestrian behaviours.

CC Select Properties
A big thank you to Tony Gilmour and CC Select Properties for their generous donation of weekly Scholastic book vouchers that were awarded at both the Primary and Infants Assemblies. We really appreciate your support.

Yr 5 Students – Selective High School Applications Due
A reminder to parents of Yr 5 students that the online applications for entry to Selective High Schools in 2016 close on Monday, 17th November. (No late applications will be accepted.)

Please go to www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplaceemnt to apply.

Until next time,
Mrs Linda Trigg

Ourimbah's Got Talent - Photo Gallery
BAND RECRUITMENT
Yesterday our school band coordinator, Mr Paul, gave a small demonstration at morning assembly showcasing several different musical instruments. This was to encourage interested students in Years 3 – 6 to join the school band in 2015.
If you would like your child to join the school band there are forms available from the office. There is a cost involved for tuition of $140.00 per term to be paid to Mr Paul and also a yearly cost of $50.00 per year if hiring a school instrument (we only have a limited number of instruments available) and a yearly cost of $25.00 per family towards the cost of purchasing and producing music and instrument upkeep.

NEW ENROLMENT FORMS
Thank you to all the families who have already returned their enrolment forms. They are still being collected and can be handed in at the office or sent to the class teacher. Make sure you check the information thoroughly and make any changes necessary, especially the highlighted sections.

STAGE 2 TARONGA ZOO EXCURSION
Last Tuesday, 28th October Stage 2 visited Taronga Zoo in Sydney. We had a fantastic day. The excursion supported our learning about Animal Habitats. We left early to make the most of our day and arrived at Taronga Zoo at approximately 9.30 am. We had three coaches in total and our coach driver was a fountain of knowledge. He kept us well entertained with trivia questions along the way. The drive was lots of fun and the children really enjoyed the trip. The weather was perfect. We went to most of the exhibits in the zoo and the children enjoyed seeing the different animals and types of habitats they live in. The Meerkats were very popular, as was the Galapagos Tortoise. The Seal show was a particular favourite with most of the children sitting in the ‘Splash Zone’. Fortunately, for the teachers, the seals were kind to us and we stayed dry. The highlight of the day was the Free Flight Bird Show. It was spectacular, with most of the birds flying just over the top of our heads! Lots of fun and some very interesting facts presented as well. It was such a delight watching these amazing animals whilst the sun glistened off the harbour. There were lots of tired legs by the end of the day, but once again, behaviour was outstanding.
Thanks to our parent helpers - Andrew Parsons, Nicole Woodhouse, Ken Worth, Lou Woodhouse and Kylie McGonigal, your time and effort was very much appreciated. Well done to all of the students involved and a big thank you to Mrs English for organising such a fantastic day.
Mrs McLean
P&C DISCO
The P&C Disco will be held on Wednesday, 19th November. The theme for this disco will be ‘OPS – Orange, Purple & Silver’. Please mark this important date on your calendar.
K-2 from 5 pm – 6.30 pm
3-6 from 6.45 pm – 8.15 pm

Whilst refreshments and chips will be available during the 3-6 grade disco to purchase, it would be encouraged to only give your child/children enough money that you feel comfortable in them spending. There will be a number of drinks available on the night, these include: juice, water, various soft drinks (no Coke) and Glee carbonated drinks. Drink prices have changed slightly and are as follows:
Juice, Water and Soft drinks are $1.00
Glee carbonated drinks are $2.00
Chips will remain at $1.00 per packet.
Parents are encouraged to discuss healthy choices and moderation with their children prior to the disco.

FUN-A-THON
The students are very excited about taking part in the Fun-a-thon tomorrow. They will take part in a range of tabloid activities over a 1 hour period, promoting an active and healthy lifestyle. Students are asked to wear their full sports uniform, including a sun safe hat.

LIBRARY NEWS
Library borrowing has now finished. Stocktake will begin in Week 7 so all books need to be returned by tomorrow, Thursday, 6th November.
Chris Mastello

2014 PRESENTATION DAYS / ASSEMBLIES
K-2 ANNUAL PRESENTATION
The K-2 Annual Presentation Assembly will take place on Wednesday, 10th December beginning at 9.30 am. K-2 students will receive their annual class awards.

Parents of award winners and class officials will be invited to the Presentation Assembly before the date.

Unfortunately we are severely restricted by the size of our hall and can only accommodate prize winners and their parents.

If you receive a letter advising that your child is to receive an award, please reply so that we can be sure that you have received it.
Please contact Tony Formby if you have any queries

YEARS 3-6 ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY
Our Primary Presentation Day this year will be held on Tuesday, 9th December. On this day many of our Year 3-6 students will receive a variety of awards for class, band, music, sport etc. The induction of our 2014 School Officials will also take place at this assembly. The assembly will begin at 9.30 am.

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If you receive a letter advising that your child is to receive an award, please reply so that we can be sure that you have received it.
For further information please contact Linda Bowd during school hours.

This day is successful due to the generous donations we receive each year from a few local business houses. In order for the children to keep receiving a high standard of prizes we are in need of some more sponsors. If anyone would like to donate towards our Presentation Day, we would be most grateful.
Cheques can be made out to Ourimbah School and receipts are issued.

BUS PASSES FOR YEAR 3 - 2015
The Department of Transport requires a new application form for free travel for students who are progressing from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2015.

Would you please complete the application form that has been sent home and return it to the office as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already returned their forms.

Students are only eligible for free travel if they live outside the 1.6 km radius of the school; this is a rule by the Department of Transport and is implemented for children going into Year 3. All other students receive an automatic bus pass and do not need to reapply. Year 6 students progressing to High School need to complete a form from the High School that they are attending. Students with term passes completed and handed back to school before the end of Term 4, should have their passes available at the beginning of Term 1, 2015.

BLUE GUM CANTEEN NEWS
Not long now until LEGO MEAL DEAL DAY!!!
Please place orders by this Friday. Sushi is on the menu for all of the Sushi lovers amongst you. It will be made fresh in the canteen on the morning of the Meal Deal. If you have misplaced your menu, you can order online or ask your child to collect another one from the canteen. REMEMBER, no other lunches will be provided on that day.

Flexischools update
To place an order online it costs an extra 20c. This amount goes to FlexiSchools for the use of their service (and saves you the hassle of needing to have endless cash at home).
If you pay with PayPal or credit card they will also charge you a fee.
I suggest loading money on to your FlexiSchools account (I load $30 at a time) and using it until it runs out. You will get a reminder when it is nearly gone. That way you only get charged for the one transaction of credit card to FlexiSchools. I hope this helps and makes sense.

The Summer Menu is in full swing and the children love the Subs and Wraps, so I have put together a deal for the rest of Term 4.

SUMMER SUB - YOUR WAY
Your choice of Sub
Water or lite milk
Icy cup
$6.00

Volunteers: Canteen Christmas Party 22.11.14. Please let me know if you can make it. Looking forward to a great night amongst friends.

Upcoming roster:
6.11.14 - Kim, volunteer needed
7.11.14 - Kelly, Dewi
11.11.14 - Liz, Jennifer
13.11.14 - Lesley, volunteer needed
14.11.14 - MEAL DEAL DAY
Stephanie, Chee, Victoria, Jamie-Lee, Kim
18.11.14 - Danielle, Albina

If you would like to come and help in the canteen, please call the school or email me at ourimbahcanteen@gmail.com. It would be wonderful to have more people on our team.

Elise Blomfield
Canteen Supervisor

UNIFORM SHOP
Operating Hours – Mondays & Thursdays
The opening hours for the uniform shop are as follows:
Mondays 8.30 am - 9.30 am
Thursdays 2.30 pm - 3.00 pm
School hats can be purchased from the canteen on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays at a cost of $15.00 each. Don't forget uniforms can be ordered online using Flexischools and will be delivered to students to take home.

P&C MEETING
The final P&C Meeting for 2014 will be held next Wednesday, 12th November at 7 pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy the special appreciation supper to thank you all for your support during 2014.
COMMUNITY NEWS
OURIMBAH SURGERY

Ourimbah Surgery is open to new patients!

Dr Heather Reid and Ourimbah Surgery would like to announce they are now taking new patients. We bulk bill all Health Care cardholders, pensioners and children aged 16 years and under. For enquiries and appointments please call 4362 3162.

Our friendly staff looks forward to welcoming you and your families to our practice.

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Kate Sinclair 0418 612 806

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Parent Information Session – Online Safety

Senior Constable Jaime Tommerup (primary school) and Senior Constable Denise Lynch (high school) are Youth Liaison Officers at Gosford Police Station. They will be presenting at a special event for the Valley Schools Learning Community’s parents to discuss various issues that impact children particularly in relation to online safety. Information will include strategies for keeping your children safe online, preventing issues happening online with other students, common problems that arise for adolescents on social media and what to do when something does go wrong.

Thursday 6 November
7:00-8:00pm
Niagara Park Public School’s Library

Tea and coffee with a light supper provided
Please RSVP by contacting the school office on 4328 3488 or via email to joanna.ratcliffe-cully@det.nsw.edu.au

Narara Public School

Celebrating 125 Years!
1889 - 2014

Date: Friday 7th November
Time: 12:30pm-6:30pm
At: Narara Public School - Newling Street Lisarow
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