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Newsletter

Thursday 28th November 2013

Term 4 Week 8

Dear Parents,

Yesterday was one of those very unlucky days at Perthville School. We commenced the day with a break and enter incident and then had an ambulance call with a student injury. We wish Laylah a speedy recovery! Well done to all staff and students who acted so quickly and calmly so that Laylah could receive first aid.

Our break in resulted in the police and fingerprint officers being on site for a few hours. This has been our second break in in six weeks and I ask everyone to be on the watch to protect our school. The admin block has been targeted again and this time completely ransacked and items stolen. The lights were all turned on in the admin block and every cupboard opened and emptied. Thieves must have been on site for a decent amount of time and we ask that anyone with information call the Bathurst Police or crimestoppers. Apart from that, we will continue to put safety procedures in place and keep no monies on site. We already have a secure banking collection set up and had put a new locking system on the office. Very upsetting for staff.

I urge everyone to be a little more cautious and please keep an eye out for our little school!

Remember that the school is under the 'inclosed land' act and NO-ONE is to be on school premises outside of school hours.

Unfortunately there are no photos of the CSIRO visit or Week 6 assembly leader speeches due to our cameras being stolen! Sorry. Both events were Super!

A Request from the Office

If you have sent in money or a cheque and/or order forms in the last few days (Thursday afternoon to Tuesday) for Pavers or Xmas Hamper Raffle Books please contact June in the office. Most were receipted but some money was taken for these items and we need to accurately account for these. You will not be required to send in money again, we just want your orders!

EFTPOS Machine at PPS

Our EFTPOS machine is now installed and ready to go. We purchased the machine after our last break in and now it has been installed and is ready for use. Payments paid to the school can be made using EFTPOS. It is the safest option. Please note our service does not have a 'cash out' option.



Surveys for Annual School Report

I am currently completing our annual school report for 2013. I have included two surveys which need to be completed by parents. One survey is thoughts about the *L3 (Literacy) and the TEN (Targeted Early Numeracy)* programs for students in K-2. The other is available for all parents to complete and it is on *school planning*.

It is important to have a comprehensive amount of surveys returned so we can capture the thoughts of our whole school community. The surveys are due to be returned by Monday 9th December.

Next Tuesday

Reporting To Parents – Parent Workshop Tuesday 3rd December

As mentioned in our previous newsletter, our reports in literacy and numeracy will look a little different this term. This term will be reporting using the Literacy and Numeracy Continuums. We will still report an overall A-E grade. As this is a new trial format, I will be running a parent workshop on the new language and the look of the new report on Tuesday 3rd December at 6pm. I encourage you to attend and provide feedback about this new process. Currently this new format will only be delivered this term for trial. Feedback will be sought after the report has been completed.

Christmas Hamper – Donations of Quality Non Perishable Items Now accepted

This year our P&C will again be coordinating our Christmas Hamper raffle for Presentation Day on Friday 13th December. Tickets have been sent home and we ask that you return these asap. We ask that you send in some quality, non-perishable items for the hamper. Please check the use by date for each item. We appreciate your support.



Combined Scripture Service – Tuesday 10th December

Scripture students will be involved in a combined Christmas Service on Tuesday 10th December at 9.30am. The guest speaker for the service will be John Blencowill. All parents are invited to attend and some students will be presenting the Christmas story play and songs. We look forward to celebrating our Christmas service with you.

Last Friday Assembly Friday 29th November
I I am – All Welcome

Year Six Big Day Out! – Tuesday 17th December

Year six have received all of their information for the 'Big Day Out' on Tuesday 17th December. Please return the permission note and money to the office so we can confirm transport arrangements.

Presentation Day Awards

I have included a list of major awards for the year and tried to explain the process of selection. Teachers will discuss at length award winners and recipients can be selected right up until presentation week.

K – 5 Year Awards – Outstanding Academic Performance in each Grade

K- 5 Class Awards – Given to 1 person per class for class citizenship, effort or improvement

Year 6 – Dux – Outstanding Academic Performance

Year 6 Citizenship – Outstanding citizenship and representation

K-6 Col O'Regan Encouragement award – Any student in K-6 that shows growth, effort and always tries their best.

Library Awards – One per class for effort, research and library skills

Sports Awards – Western Region Sport Representatives

Creative Arts Award – Outstanding creative achievements

Public Speaking Awards – Junior and Senior Public Speaking

Leadership Badges – 2014 student leaders – 4 students elected by students through school voting system

House Points Trophy – Presented to winning House for 2013

Library Books now to be returned ready for Stocktake

Library borrowing has now finished and all books now need to be returned so the shelves are organised and ready for stocktake. Could children hunt for and return all library books please asap.



**Please return your
library Books!**

Leadership Speeches

Congratulations to year five students who presented their leadership speeches last Friday. Mr Dickson and I were very proud of you all. Well done! Voting has taken place now and the leaders for 2014 will be announced on Presentation day. Good luck to everyone!

Presentation Day - Friday 13th December 2013 - 12pm



Perthville PS COLA Area



Dates to Remember

December

4 th	Year 6 Full day at High School
10 th	Christmas Scripture Service
11 th	Last Newsletter for 2013
13 th	Presentation Day 12pm
13 th	Portfolios and Reports Handed out
17 th	Year 6 Big Day Out
18 th	Last Day for Students
19 th & 20 th	Staff Development Days – Mandatory Training & 2014 Organisation

Year 5/6 were class of the week in last week's City Life Newspaper

See Attached Scan

Our leaders with Reliance credit union cheque and new defibrillator for Perthville Community.

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