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Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 3

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see so many families in attendance at our class information sessions and family picnic afternoon. Well done to the Classroom teachers on delivering a very informative session and giving parents lots of opportunities to ask questions and find about how they can assist with their child's education. Well done also to the P&C for putting on the free BBQ, everyone loves a good sausage sandwich, and they were delicious! Kids had fun, great family atmosphere and a wonderful way to start the year!



Swimming Carnival – This Friday

This Friday, all children will travel by bus to the Bathurst Aquatic Centre. We will be leaving school promptly at 9.30am and won't be able to wait for late arrivers.

Students entering into the 100m events need to be taken by their parents and need to be at the pool no later than 9.15, ready to swim this event at 9.30.

All races are finals and children need to swim as fast as they can in each event.

Non carnival competitors will be watching some events and then completing activities on the grassed area and in the middle pool in the indoor area. **Children swimming in the big carnival are not to go with the non-carnival swimmers.**

At the end of the carnival medals, ribbons, age champions and the winning house will be presented. The District carnival is the following Friday 22nd February.

Children are allowed to dress up in their house colours, lots of fun costumes would be great. However NO Hairspray, streamers or balloons, zinc is fine!

The bus will return to school before our afternoon buses leave for their normal runs.

Parents are welcome to come along and we'd love to see you there. We look forward to a wonderful day. Thank you to Ms Barlow who has worked tirelessly to make this a great success!

Festival of Instrumental Music – Recorder

This year, our school will once again, be involved in the combined schools recorder performance at the Sydney Opera House. Your child may have attended an initial meeting last week and brought home an information letter. If so, please discuss this with your child as lessons will begin this Thursday (TOMORROW). Please do not hesitate to phone or email the school if you have any questions or queries. Mrs Bicanic



Active Kids and Creative Kids

Active Kids and **Creative Kids** are programs designed to encourage more children to participate in sport, active recreation and creative and cultural activities. Each year, parents, guardians and carers can receive a \$100 voucher to go towards both creative and physical activities for school aged children. A **Creative Kids** voucher will help parents to cover some of the registration, participation and tuition costs on activities such as singing, drama, coding, languages, music, writing, drawing and photography.

The **Active Kids** voucher can be used on sports, fitness and physical activities for registration, participation and membership costs.

The vouchers can be used once with an approved provider. To find out more, parents need to visit service.nsw.gov.au.

Kindy and Leaders Photos in the Western Advocate

On Monday a photographer from the Western Advocate took photos of our school leaders and also our Kindy children. The photos will appear in the paper at this stage on Thursday 28th (Kindy) and Friday 1st (Leaders).

School Contributions

The school fees assist us with purchasing online maths and reading programs, text books, sports equipment, art and craft supplies and stationary needs. This year school fees have remained the same as 2018. Fees are as follows.

1 child = \$65

2 children = \$120

3 children = \$175

We ask that you pay this contribution to the office before the end of term 1. If you are having difficulty please contact Mrs Webb.

What's Due Back?



- School Fees
- District Swimming
- Kinder Interviews

Iceblocks Available

Tuesday and Thursday

Icy Poles & Paddle
Pops \$1



P&C Meetings will be held three
times this term on

Tuesday 19th February – 6pm

Tuesday 12th March – 6pm AGM

Tuesday 9th April – 6pm



Kindergarten Best Start Assessments Complete and Parent Interviews being scheduled

Mrs Hardy and Ms Morris have now completed all best start assessments for Kindergarten in literacy and Numeracy. Well done to both teachers on assessing 29 students and preparing wonderful programs to start the year. Both teachers will now schedule interviews for Kindergarten Parents in weeks 5&6 this term. Please ensure you request an interview and return your form.

Library Bags ready – Library Starts next week

Library day is Wednesday for each class and Thursday for Year 2. This will commence next Wednesday 20th February. Mrs Bicanic will be our Library Teacher this year and we encourage regular borrowing which supports student reading. All students will need a library bag and will be encouraged to borrow each week/fortnight.

Premier's Reading Challenge

This year we will again be involved in the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC). This is a great program that encourages the reading of quality texts from specified reading lists. For K-2 students, this program will be implemented during the library lesson time at school and for students in years 3 – 6, they are encouraged to keep a log of the books read. Please see me if you have any questions or queries.

Mrs Bicanic

After School Care – Do you need other days?

After School Care is held in the library between 3.30-6.00pm and will operate on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We are confident that additional afternoons will be made available this year. If you require additional afternoons please complete and return the following note or contact Carol Drummond at Galloping Gumnuts on 0427 070 871. Even if you may require this service casually or in an emergency style situation you need to be registered. Please support this initiative so that it can remain viable in our community. It's very affordable once Government incentives are made available to all families, they do great activities and our students love it!

No Hat Play In the Shade

With the hot weather it is important for us to abide by the 'No Hat Play in the Shade Rule'. Hats should be worn outside at all times. If your child does not have a hat they will be asked to play under the COLA. Please assist us by ensuring your child has their hat each day (These are available from the uniform shop) and it is clearly labelled with their name. Caps are not to be worn. Applying sunscreen in the morning before school is also a great idea and readily available for reapplication throughout the day.

Contact Details & Email Address - PLEASE CHECK & UPDATE

Please contact Elaine or Suzanne if any of your home contact numbers, mobile numbers, emergency contact details or work details have changed. We must keep up-to-date information in case we need to contact you. Please also provide email address so a full colour copy of newsletter can be sent to you.

School Uniform – Each day Strong and Proud

A reminder that students are expected in correct uniform each day. Uniform makes our students feel smart, strong and proud. Raban shoes and tights are not part of our uniform policy and should not be worn. All uniform is available at school by seeing our uniform coordinators Clare Kirby and Helen Top on **Tuesday and Thursday Mornings or Tuesday afternoons** or by sending in the attached order form. Second Hand uniforms are also available.

Most of our recent photos of school celebrations, achievements and everyday happenings can be found on Facebook



Assembly Merit Cards – Please note changes to our Merit System.

At our assemblies our teachers also hand out merit cards. These are used to gain blue star and gold awards and medals. Every teacher keeps a record of who has received merit cards and we try to encourage all students.

3 Class Awards/Virtue Awards/School Blues (For representing our school) = 1 Blue Star Awards

3 Blue Star Awards = 1 Gold Award

3 Gold Awards = 1 Medal

Volunteer Agreements

All parents or relatives who volunteer to assist with our children are asked to read and sign a Statutory Declaration that complies with the Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012. Parents and grandparents are not required to obtain the Working with Children Check number. Volunteers not related to a child at the school must have the Working with Children Check number before volunteering at the school. We encourage you to contact your child's class teacher if you are able to help with reading, sport, computers or assist in the library. Please see the office before volunteering.

Major Excursions for 2019

Please be aware that major excursions for our primary aged children occur each year. We like to give parents plenty of warning before significant costs are presented. A \$50 deposit for each child will be requested in Term 1. We encourage payment plans or making regular payments early on.

Term 2 - Years 3 & 4 (Science & Technology) will be doing a tour of Central West/Dubbo - Approx. Cost \$250

Term 4 - Years 5 & 6 (Personal Development/ Health/ Physical Education) will be off to Aussie Bush Camp - Approx. Cost \$350

Year Six Shirts

Mr Dickson has sent home a note today in regard to Year 6 shirts. These need to be ordered asap. Please return the note with your deposit. The cut off for orders is Friday 1st March.



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After School Care – Extra Days

I would be interested in my child/ren attending after school care on the additional days of (Please circle) and then return to the school office

Monday	TUESDAY

Family Name _____ **Contact Number** _____

Term One

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 11 th -15 th			Newsletter		Swimming Carnival 
4 18 th -22 nd		P & C Meeting 6pm			Assembly ³ / ₄ 9.30 am District Swimming Carnival
5 25 th -1 st			Newsletter		
MARCH 6 4 th -8 th			½ Staff Development Day		Assembly Yr 2 9.30 am
7 11 th -15 th		P & C Meeting 6pm AGM	Newsletter		
8 18 th -22 nd					Assembly Kinder 9.30 am
9 25 th -29 th	Sporting School Athletics →		Newsletter		
APRIL 10 1 st -5 th	Sporting School Athletics →				Assembly K/I 9.30 am Crazy Hair Day World's Greatest Shave 
11 8 th -12 th	Bike Week →	P&C Meeting 6pm	Newsletter	Easter Hat Parade 	ANZAC Service Yr 6 Last Day Tm I

