Zone Cross Country Carnival

The Zone Cross Country Carnival was held on Friday the 30th of May. Congratulations to all our students who competed. Our best result was **Lisandro Ishaq** who finished 3rd and will go on to the SWS Regional Carnival on Thursday the 12th of June. A special thanks to Mr Chand and Mrs Sipione for looking after the team on the day and also to the parents who came along to support our school.

P&C Walkathon

The P&C will be holding a walkathon in week 7 on Wednesday 11th of June. All students would have received a sponsorship card for the walkathon. We ask that students only receive sponsorship from family or friends and that for their safety they do not go knocking door to door. This will be the only P&C fundraising activity for this term. We hope you can come along to support your child on the day. The walkathon will be held between 12.00 -12.40 for K-2 students and 12.40-1.35 for 3-6 students. Students who raise more than $20 will receive a book prize and students who raise more than $50 will receive a Stockland's voucher. Just a reminder all sponsorship cards need to be returned by Tuesday 10th of June.
Stage 3 Camp Payments
This is a reminder that you need to make regular camp payments to ensure the camp is paid for prior to the scheduled date of departure. The Camp is on during the last week of Term 3. All payments must be paid in full by the end of week 9 term 3

Regional Dance Festival
Our Dance group was selected to be the opening performance at the Regional Dance Festival on Thursday the 5th of June, 2014. This was a special honour for our school. I would like to congratulate all the performers and the following teachers Mrs Sosa, Mrs Naim and Miss Bowen who have worked very hard to develop a high standard of performance and for their time. I would also like to thank the parents who were able to attend the performance and Mr Paragalli for working overtime to drive the mini bus. A special thanks to Bonnyrigg Heights PS for hiring the bus to us at short notice.
Fire men visit our school.

On Friday the fire brigade visited our school and found a power point was defective. It was immediately repaired and the students enjoyed a visit from some very helpful firemen.

Attendance

Each fortnight school attendance is monitored using our school SENTRAL system. Students who have 3 or more occasions of absences and/or lateness within a fortnight will receive a letter. Parents need to return this letter stating the reasons. Absences or lateness to school disrupts children's learning. Students should only be absent from school if they are sick. Lateness to school even for just a few minutes disrupts the learning of the students and others in the class.
NRMA visit

On Monday, 26th of May the NRMA came to talk about the importance of road safety. The local newspaper and Fair Go for the West bus also came along. Our school was featured in the local paper. The students learnt some valuable and important information about road safety. Please visit our school website for links to the news articles. The mascots Norman and Norma were very popular with the students. A special thanks to Mrs Hearn for her organisation of this event and for all the support of the teachers in preparing the hall for the visit.
Our literacy focus for term 1 was based on fantasy, and in particular, ‘Fairy Tales’. Through the study of these imaginative texts students were able to write descriptions that depicted the qualities of good and evil characters.

The witch

Deep in a dark forest there was a little hut covered in poisonous candy. In the little hut lived an ugly, old witch. She had messy, fizzy, black hair. The witch’s teeth were yellow a rotten. Her skin was dry, green and winklely. She had long, chipped, broken, crooked nails.

Everyone in the land hated the ugly, old witch. Her friendliness was destroyed by the spiteful flaming fire of her nastiness. She had a despicable, dark heart as dark as the midnight sky. She was as cold as ice in Antarctica Ocean.

The hideous witch wore a pointy, black hat. She also wore a black robe that was as black as tar. She wore black jackboots as if she was going into war. She also owned an old broom stick with splinters all over the end. Indeed she was the most wicked, ugly person in the whole kingdom.
During second term we studied the book, ‘Arrival’ by Shaun Tan. This led to the creation of artworks that depicted the cities that the characters left for life in a new land.
5/6L continue to work hard in all areas of the curriculum and are displaying a positive attitude to their learning.
Late arrival and pick up of students
Parents are reminded that it is essential for students to arrive to school before the bell that starts the day. Arriving late even for just a few minutes has a significant impact on your child's learning and the learning of others. Developing good habits of arriving on time is a life skill that brings benefits to work employment in the future.

There has been a growing number of students who have been left waiting in front of the office for more than 5 minutes after the bell. The executive staff have been on duty from 2.55 pm until 3.05 pm. It is very important that students are collected by this time. Teachers have both professional meetings and lesson preparations that occurs after 3.00 pm and it is important time. While we understand that on occasions circumstances prevent you from arriving on time either to drop off or pick up it is important that it does not become a daily occurrence.

Volunteer Gardners needed
We are looking for some volunteers to help spread the mulch into the gardens around the school. A note was sent home asking for volunteers. If you are able to help please return the note to the office. Lunch will be provided.

ICAS University Tests
Dates for students who have paid to sit these tests:

Writing 16th June and Spelling 17th June.

English and Maths will be in term 3, dates to be advised.

Next P&C Meeting
Wednesday 11th June 2pm in the staffroom.
25 Nights Reading

K/1B
Clara Hanani
Sarah Noona

2M
Adison Yousif

3N
Kristian Tasevski
Bronel Kaldy

50 Nights Reading

1N
Uta Fifita
Raphael Latsombath De Alvia

2/3L
Ariel Navarrete

75 Nights Reading

K/1B
Jonella Oraha
Michael Kozelko
Marvin Wu
KP
Alisha Ung

2S
Onel Shamoon
Ryan Tran
Marcus Yousif
2/3L
Gordon Ung
Aiden Duong

3N
Thomas Oraha
Angelica Yousif

100 Nights Reading

2/3L
Daniel Usumaki

3/4H
Sophie Condell
PPS Calendar

Week 7 Term 2

Monday 9th June—Public Holiday (No school)
Tuesday 10th June - School Banking
Wednesday 11th June— Walkathon
Thursday - 12th June Parent Coffee Club 9-10 am
  - Dance2BFit
  - SWS Regional Cross Country Carnival
Friday 13th June— PSSA sport

Week 8 Term 2

Monday 16th June Stage 2 Bike track excursion
Tuesday 17th June - School Banking
Wednesday 18th June- Stage 2 Bike track excursion
Thursday 19th June- Parent Coffee Club 9-10am (CL room)
  - Dance2BFit
Friday 20th - PSSA sport

Week 9 Term 2

Monday 23rd June– Stage 3 CSIRO incursion
Tuesday 24th June– School Banking
Wednesday 25th June - Bunnings planting day and Kindy talks
Thursday 26th June - Athletics Carnival No Parent coffee club
Friday 27th June - Stage 1 Festival of Senses Day.