Principal's Message

Welcome back to another fun and exciting week. Last Tuesday, we had our first Kindergarten 2015 Parent Meeting. It was a great success and well attended with lots of new and some familiar faces. We will have our first Kindergarten Transition next Tuesday 2nd September, so if you have friends who have children ready for Kindergarten 2015, please remind them to enrol and join in this important process of learning.

We have students representing our school at the Zone Athletics today and Wednesday. As a result we will not be having our Interest groups photos this Wednesday. On Thursday 28th August 2014, we have our annual Dad’s Day Out! Be sure to RSVP and let us know you are coming. It will be another fun filled day.

There are a few exciting projects happening around our school in the next few months. Our school will be receiving another 2 new demountable classrooms. These classrooms will be installed in the lower playground on the grass area. The workmen will be uninstalling the old ESL demountable next week and begin the installation process soon after that.

Our school is also approved for the installation of a new fence. Contractors and relevant personnel will be communicating with me very soon to start work on the new fence.

These projects will be inconveniencing some of us. However, this is necessary and for the benefit of our students and learning community. I am sure you will continue to support us.

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Relieving Principal

Mini Disco

Last Friday the K - 2 students had a great time dancing at the disco at lunchtime. Years 3 - 6 it's your turn tomorrow! Bring along a gold coin donation and have some fun dancing in the hall at lunchtime. All money raised will go towards purchasing things for our vegetable garden.

P & C News

Thank you for your understanding about last weeks rain leak in our room. It is well under way to getting fixed.

DAD’S DAY OUT - We need some people to help with the BBQ at this function to say thank you to our dads. Please come o the top playground at 11am to start cooking.

Library News

- Last day for Bookclub is Tuesday 26th August. Please use the order form attached to the catalogue.
- Don't forget that if you order from bookclub and you wish your order to be a surprise for your child a note on the order and I will call you when the books arrive.

Mrs Sell

Veggie Patch

Yum!! Fresh radishes. Money raised from the K - 2 mini disco last Friday and the 3 - 6 mini disco tomorrow at lunchtime will go towards new plants for our veggie and herb garden.
Stage News

Kindergarten

Let's hope the sun keeps shining for another busy week at Parramatta West!

This week KR will be hosting the K-2 Assembly and performing their item. If any parents would like to attend the assembly, they would be most welcome. K-2 Assembly is held on Friday at 11:20am in the school hall.

For topic talks this week, students will be presenting their 1 minute speech on the topic of ‘My Family’. We can’t wait to hear their speeches which they have been preparing and practising at home. Each class teacher will be choosing two students from their class to compete in our school competition which will be held in Week 9.

On Thursday it is our annual Dad’s Day Out and we hope to see as many dads (or grandfathers or uncles) at school as possible! Please make sure you RSVP by tomorrow - Tuesday 26th August - so we know how many sausages we need to get for the BBQ.

Have a fantastic week!
Miss Stuart & Mrs Rhodes

Stage One (Year 1 and Year 2)

We had a fantastic excursion to the Aquarium last Thursday. Thank you to all of the teachers and parents that helped make our excursion an unforgettable experience! This week students will be presenting their 2 minute speech about "What makes me smile". Remember that students need to practise regularly before they present.

The K-2 Mini Disco was a great success last week. We had lots of fun dancing during lunch! Thank you to the SRC for organising that event. Good luck to our Year 2 students that will be participating in the Zone Athletics carnival this week (if the weather permits!).

Have a great week!
Miss Langhans

Stage Two (Year 3 and Year 4)

We are looking forward to seeing all of the Dads this Thursday for our annual 'Dad's Day Out'. If you haven't returned your RSVP please make sure you do so by tomorrow. A reminder that our 'Sydney Tall Ships' excursion is next week and that children need to have returned their permission notes and made the appropriate payments towards the school enrichment program.

Congratulations to all the students who presented their talks on 'What makes a community?' last week.

Finally, I would like to wish all the children well who are participating at the Zone Athletics this week, let's hope the weather stays sunny!

Enjoy the week,
Mr Clarke

Stage Three (Year 5 and Year 6)

Last week Stage 3 students were extremely lucky to have Nadia Wheatley visit our school for Book Week. Due to the horrendous weather Merrylands Library was extremely accommodating and instead of us all walking in the rain, they came to PWPS. Nadia certainly motivated many students to think deeply about the setting of their story and spoke about the importance of Aboriginal history. It was a very inspiring and insightful talk.

Also, due to the bad weather, the Lunch Time Disco for 3-6 students was postponed and it will now be held this Tuesday, 26th of August. The Disco will be run by the SRC to raise money for our amazing herb and vegetable garden. It is a gold coin donation to attend, which is payable at the hall.

Dad’s Day Out will be held this Thursday, 28th of August. A note went home last week with lots of information about the day. Please return the permission note if you would like to attend and we will see you at 11am. It should be an exciting day!

Last week students also received a permission note for our excursion to the Powerhouse Museum. Please note there was an error on the note and the excursion will be next Wednesday 3rd of September for 5/6H; 5/6J; and, half of 5/6N. On Thursday the 4th of September 5/6B; 5/6E; and the other half of 5/6N will attend. All enrichment money needs to be up to date by THIS TUESDAY as we need to confirm admission to the museum and bus numbers by then.

Good luck to all our Zone Track and Field athletes who will be representing our school this Monday and Wednesday. We know you will proudly represent our school.

We all can’t believe how fast this term is going. Thank you for your continued support in your child’s education!

Mrs Heifetz

Sports News

PSSA games this week are :-

Netball and Soccer is against Merrylands PS at Merrylands Oval. Newcombe is also against Merrylands PS at their school. Mod league Juniors is against Greystanes and Senior is against Merrylands at Merrylands Oval.

Good luck teams.
Win tickets to the NRL Grand Final as well as two signed Premiership Jerseys

The NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge Principal Sponsor, NRL's One Community is offering all students participating in the 2014 NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge Primary and Secondary School Sport Challenges the chance to win a family pass (four x Gold tickets) to attend the NRL Telstra Premiership Grand Final, as well as two signed Premiership jerseys, one for you and one for your school.

The NRL Grand Final will be held on Sunday October 5 at ANZ Stadium.

For the chance to win, tell us in 100 words or less why Rugby League is the 'greatest game of all'.

Entries are to be completed on the entry form (available from he school office) below and emailed to psc@det.nsw.edu.au by 5pm Monday 8th September 2014. To be eligible to win, all entries must include your full name, year and school and the school must be registered in the 2014 NSW Premier’s Primary or Secondary School Sport Challenge.

Please note: Transport to Sydney will be provided in the event a student from a regional school wins. The competition winner and school Principal will be notified on Friday 12th September.