Principal's Message

I hope you've all had a fantastic weekend and welcome back to Week 9. This weekend I spent some time reading reports teachers have written about your children. I am enjoying reading about the achievements each child has made and am impressed with how much knowledge teachers have of each child in their class. When reports go home next Monday, please spend some time reading the report with your child and celebrate his/her achievements for this semester. Discuss the future directions and how to achieve the outlined goals and approach it as a positive pathway to learning. More importantly try to understand from your child why they think they need to improve in the areas the teacher has outlined and how you can be a partner in their learning (show genuine interest!).

Staffing

At the end of this term Mrs Heifetz and Mrs Franklin will be on maternity leave. We wish them well in their journey as a mother and hope that all goes well. Miss Jacklin will be teaching 2/3J and Miss Hyun will be teaching 1F. Both teachers have worked closely with students in our school and know the expectations and routines of the school.

We will also farewell Mrs Dusevic as she has been appointed at Epping West Public School as a permanent teacher. We wish her all the success in her new school and thank her for her dedication and service to the school. Mrs Knedl will be teaching KD. KD will be in good hands as Mrs Knedl has been working closely with the Kindergarten team and know KD students.

Next term Mrs Armour will return to work fulltime and will teach KA Monday - Friday.

School Fundraiser

Pyjama Day Tuesday 23rd June. Start digging out those groovy PJs.

Canteen

The school canteen will cease to operate from Thursday 25th June. The P&C will be hosting a Hotdog day on Thursday 25th June. However, parents will need to provide lunch for Friday 26th and until a new canteen is established. We are advertising for a Tenderer in the local papers and hope to find a new canteen business as soon as possible.

Class Awards

KA  Pranusha  KB  Shulagna
KD  Saif  KN  Ahmed
KR  Rhysabella  KS  Moksh
1F  Mitchell  1H  Matt
1L  Muna  1M  Alberto
1N  Arozo  2A  Crissy
2F  Misreen  2G  Naomi
2L  Edward  2/3J  Samira
3B  Sabowoon  3H  Ramez
3/4S  Keira  4A  Sean
4H  Enver  5C  Nicole
5M  Jai  5/6R  Mina
6M  Yuvraj  6S  Ayush
K-2G  Saran  1-3G  Talal
3-5H  Damon

P & C News

25th June is Hot Dog Day. Volunteers are needed so please come to the top playground at 12.30pm to help for lunchtime. Without parent helpers our children will not be fed on time. Look out for order notes in your child’s bag as we will have a cut off day to order and absolutely NO ORDERS will be taken after that day.

SCHOOL BANKING - There is a tally sheet in the Uniform / Reading room showing your child's deposit tally. You are more than welcome to come and see how your child is progressing. We are open before 9am.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN - Starting on 15th July 2015 this program is back. For every $10 spent you receive a sticker to place it on a sheet. Look out for upcoming news.

UNIFORMS - Our children look magnificent> Everyone in correct school uniform makes our school look brilliant. Congratulations!

Long Sleeve Polos now in stock $20-00
Girls Winter Polo on sale for $14-00
V neck jumpers size 6 No emblem $14-00
Class News

Year 3

Next Monday your child’s Semester 1 Report will be sent home. Please take the time to read through it carefully. Teachers have spent all year gathering data through observations, class-work, discussions, tests and assessments to give grades to their students. Teachers also meet every week to discuss students’ progress and to ensure consistent teacher judgement across the year group. The grade is important, however, even more important is the comment that accompanies the grade (that is for English, mathematics and the general). This will tell you where your child is at and what they will need to focus on for the second semester to help them improve. Please remember that a ‘C’ grade is achieving at year level. If you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to see me or your child’s classroom teacher. All Year 3 students should be very proud of their reports and the progress they have made this semester.

Enrichment money should be up to date by the end of this term. At least $90 should have been received before next Friday. Next semester there are more activities in which your child will participate. Specialised coaches will be teaching gymnastic skills to all the children and there will be another Year 3 excursion.

Thank you for your continued support with your child’s education. Have a fabulous week 9.

Mrs Heifetz

Year 4 and Year 5

Has your child been using Reading Eggs and Mathletics at home? Both of these programs are a wonderful link between school and home. If your child doesn’t have their usernames and / or passwords they can get a copy from their class teacher.

All library books must be returned this week. If your child has lost their book the replacement cost will need to be paid before they can borrow again.

Enjoy the week,
Mr Clarke

Year 6

We had a group of Year 6 students attend their second visit to Parramatta High School for the ‘PHS Enrichment Program’ today. It is great to have these opportunities for our students to experience high school and begin the transition into this next phase in their lives.

Notifications will continue to arrive for parents with regards to high school placements. If you have not received notification yet, don’t be concerned as the process does take a long time.

Reports will be sent home this week. We encourage you to read the report with your child and allow them to talk to you about their progress. We spend a great deal of time reflecting on learning with the children, so they will be able to provide you with added detail about the comments provided. We are very proud of our Year 6 students. They show commitment and motivation towards their learning and have worked very hard this first semester.

Last week our students showcased their dance choreography assessment. The students worked in groups to create a dance routine based on a series of instructions and elements that needed to be included. They were dedicated to the task, performed with confidence and entertained the whole school in a mass performance. We were very proud!

This week the students will be flying their paper airplanes that they designed in last week’s homework task. They are aiming to fly their plane more than 12 metres and to maintain flight for 5-6 seconds. Finalists will refine their design and hopefully move onto a further competition.

It has been an exciting term!

Mrs Rhodes

Library News

Thank you to everyone who supported our 50 cent book sale. We made $180-00 which will be spent on new books.

Thank you to the parents who have come to our Parent Workshops. Next term we will be starting workshops for Year 2 and Year 3 Parents. Monday at 2.15pm in the library, I would love to see you there.

There will be no more borrowing this term and all books need to be returned. Week 1 next term we will start borrowing day 1.

Next term, Week 3 is the Book Fair so save up all your pocket money and come and buy some great books.

Mrs Sell
XO KidsMeet

On Wednesday, June 3rd, 5 students and Miss Newton went to Hilltop Road Public School. We went to learn more about the XO System 2. Once we arrived the schools were split up. First of all we learnt how to connect to the internet. It took a while for some of us, but lots of students, teachers and people from the XO company, One Education helped us out. Then we all went to a couple of websites and did some coding and blogging activities. After that each group made a poster about what the role is of an XO Mechanic and learnt what students do at other schools. After afternoon tea we met with Paul who designs apps for XOs. He showed us his new app and asked us to give feedback or any ideas about new apps we might want him to design. It was a fabulous day.

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