Principal's Message

Welcome back to Week 7! This week will be a busy week. We had year 4 and 5 leaving early this morning to Canberra and returning late. Thank you to the teachers for working extra-long hours to give our children a wonderful experience.

Don’t forget we have our Make Mum’s Day tomorrow starting at 11.00am for all those parents who’ve replied. We will have over 200 Mums tomorrow participating in a variety of activities with their own children. I hope the weather will be kind to us.

Last week I was out on the streets after school observing parents doing the right thing when picking up their children. I thank those parents for keeping all our children safe. I also observed quite a few unsafe and illegal driving behaviour. The speed limit around schools is 40km/h, please obey this law for the safety of our children. Please do not u turn over the double lines or near the crossing. How will you explain your actions to another parent if you hit their child when you’ve done something illegal?

Thank you also to all those parents who have kept their messages to teachers in the mornings for another time. To reiterate my message on assembly, please do not stop teachers as they walk to their classrooms as this holds up valuable learning time. You can come to the office in the morning and give the message before school starts. Please also be mindful that on Wednesday afternoons all teachers have a meeting they must attend. This is also not a good time to talk to them as they will need to get to the meeting on time. All teachers are available to meet with you provided that you book in a time with them. I thank you for cooperating.

Regards,
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Relieving Principal

Class Awards

KA  Jordan    KB  Rachel
KD  Jaap      KN  Fiona
KR  Thomas    KS  Isabel
1F  Ahmet     1H  Huda
1L  Omar      1M  Sahil
1N  Jonathan  2A  Suprabha
2F  Andrew    2G  Anna
2L  Ahmad     K-2G  Mustafa

Sports News

Last week was another action packed week of sport and healthy lifestyle activity. We had a visit from AFL coaches, participated in class sport, competed in our PSSA competition and our new vege garden team began tending our gardens (They looking forward to preparing tasty meals, in our new garden kitchen, with the produce when it is ripe and ready to eat.

AFL coaches held a free coaching clinic last Wednesday on the field at lunch. All students had an invitation to attend. All students have been given a flyer regarding an after school coaching clinic, please read carefully if you are interested and contact the clinic coaches as directed on the flyer should you want your child to attend.

We are lucky that our upper field is receiving some tender loving care and returfing, but it is restricting sporting and playing space. Thank you to all the students who are being patient and dealing with this interruption responsibly. Thank you to the teachers who are thinking creatively and making sure our sporting activities are not interrupted.

Please remember to have your hat and water bottle with you every day so you can enjoy your sport and fitness activities fully.

Our PSSA teams had an exciting time on Friday as they played well together as new teams and we had a few wins. Our students were proud of their wins and their team work that got them there. Don't forget training and have all your equipment ready for Friday’s competition.

Library News

• Bookclub is due tomorrow 2nd June.
• Monday workshop next week we will be talking about ‘Imagination’ at 2.15pm We would love to see you.
• Don’t forget I would love to receive a printed photo of your child reading a book.
• On the 9th and 10th June I will be having a quick book sale only from 8.30am - 9am. The books are only 50c each. So come along and see if you would like a title or two.

University of NSW - Science Competition

This competition is on Wednesday 3rd June for those students who have already paid. Good luck everyone.
Class News

Year 1 and Year 2

We're all looking forward to seeing our mum's tomorrow for the annual 'Make Mum's Day'. There will be plenty of fun things happening tomorrow and we can't wait to get started!

This week's topic talk is all about celebrations. We would love to see student's presenting information about celebrations that happen within your family and culture. Some students have been presenting their talks on PowerPoint which have been very impressive.

As the weather is getting cooler, please make sure that all of your belongings, jumpers in particular, are all labelled clearly.

Have a fantastic week!
Miss Langhans

Year 3

"Make Mum’s Day" will be held this Tuesday at 11.00am. There will be a workshop held for mothers, followed by various fun activities with your children and a BBQ. We look forward to seeing you there!

The UNSW Science Competition will be held this Wednesday the 3rd of June. Students who are sitting this test paid money in Term 1. More details will be given to students early this week.

Don’t forget to keep making payments towards your Enrichment money. A minimum of $90 should have been paid by the end of this term.

We hope you have a wonderful week 7 and enjoy the long weekend!

Mrs Heifetz

Year 4 and Year 5

Today 3/4S, 4H, 4A, 5M and 5C went on our excursion to the Australian War Memorial, Canberra. All the students were able to arrive at school on time and were well behaved throughout the day. I would like to thank everyone involved in getting so early to begin our trip.

A reminder that the science competition will be held this Wednesday morning for students who are taking part.

Have a great week and we hope to see you tomorrow for Make Mums' Day.

Mr Clarke

Year 6

This week we have welcomed parents onto Edmodo! We hope you have been enjoying observing your child's learning. A reminder to parents that you can access more of your child's conversations on your computer as opposed to your Iphone or IPad.

Payment for the Year 6 T-shirt is due this coming Friday. This will be a treasured keepsake of their friendships and years at primary school. T-shirt sizes can be tried on in Miss McSpadden's room before or after school. We have spare order forms if you need a new one.

This Tuesday 2nd June is 'Make Mum's Day' at school. Please come along if you are able to. The kids are looking forward to spending some quality time with their mums, grandma's, aunties or carers.

The next visit to Parramatta High School for the 'PHS Enrichment Program' is on June 15th. The students had tasks to complete at home and it is important that these are completed prior to the next visit.

Most students have now received notification of your acceptance/non acceptance into your first choice high school. If your application was denied it will have been forwarded onto your second choice school.

Please ensure you are continuing to pay your enrichment installments.

How many books has your child read towards their 40 book reading target? They should have read approximately 15-20 by now.

Mrs Rhodes

Kindergarten

It was wonderful to hear all about the students’ favourite experience from the farm during topic talks last week. This week the students need to describe a farm animal. They should have a drawing of this animal and describe what the animal eat, where it lives and what it does on the farm.

Please note that gym fun is cancelled tomorrow due to the "make mum's day" activities. I do hope that the mums can make it out tomorrow, as it should be a wonderful day.

Miss Richards

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Science Club News

For the last couple of weeks our super science team has been involved in a very interesting and fun project. We have been practising our precision skills and growing crystals from alum. Alum can be found in the spices section in a supermarket. It is commonly used as a spice for making pickles.

We have learnt that growing crystals takes time and requires a great deal of preparation, practise and patience.

First, we had to grow a seed crystal. Then we selected the best seed and used it in the next step of crystal growing. We are proud to announce that our crystals will be sent to The Royal Australian Chemical Institute. The crystals will be judged based on shape and clarity firstly, rather than size.

We are all eager to see what sort of crystals will grow in a couple of weeks.

Crystals can be grown from other common household substances, such as salt, sugar and Epsom salt. If you are interested you can try growing your own crystals. The recipe can be found on the following link:
http://www.kidzworld.com/article/26598-make-your-own-crystals

Cumberland High School
Gifted and Talented Class Placement Program

Applications are now open for Cumberland High School’s Gifted and Talented class of Year 7 2016.

Five academic scholarships to the value of $800 each are also on offer.

Details of this academic opportunity and application forms can be found on our website at
http://www.cumberland-h.schools.nsw.edu.au in the Curriculum and Activities/Scholarships & Awards section. An application form can be downloaded and submitted to our office.

Applications close on Friday, 14 August 2015

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