6th May 2014

NEWSLETTER: Term 2 Week 2
From the Principal’s Desk

Mother’s Day
Today students had the opportunity to select their Mother’s Day gift/gifts from the P&C Mother’s Day stall. P&C run this activity as a service to the students and community. It helps to foster the idea of being grateful. I’ve included a little piece from Petrea King which asks us to reflect on what we are grateful for. As we approach Mother’s Day I encourage you to take time to reflect on what you are grateful for in your life. It might be a simple thing like the sun’s sparkle reflected in a dewdrop, a bird’s song, the laughter of a child or the smile of a stranger. Or it might be the love and support of friends or someone special in your life. So often we think of what is missing in our life rather than what we are grateful for. We feel so much better when we find something for which to be grateful! It shifts our perspective from the negative to the positive…and has many health benefits too!

Petrea King (CEO and Founder of Quest for Life)
Our Mums do so much for us, and Mother’s Day is a reminder to say how thankful we are for your love and support. I hope all of our Mums feel very loved and appreciated and have a lovely day on Sunday.

Mother’s Day Breakfast
Rosemeadow/Appin Anglican churches have invited our students and their mums to a Mother’s Day breakfast at Appin Public School this Friday 9th May 2014 from 8.15am to 9.00am. Pancakes, cereals, juice, tea and coffee will be available. Please RSVP: appinbreakfast@gmail.com if you haven’t already sent a form into school. This is a FREE event hosted by Rosemeadow/Appin Anglican churches.

NAPLAN Next Week
On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday all students in Years 3 and 5 will sit a series of tests to assess their literacy and numeracy tests. A good night’s sleep, a good breakfast and a positive attitude is all of the preparation students need. Parents will receive information about how their child performed in the test later in the year. The school also receives this information and uses it to support the learning of all students.

Year 6 Farewell
Thank you to all the parents and children who completed the survey. This year’s Year 6 Farewell will be at Appin House on Friday the 12th December 2014.

Congratulations
Patrick Rochaix has been selected to compete on behalf of South West Sydney at the AFL State Championships from 20-22 May inclusive. We are very proud of Patrick’s achievements both on and off the sport field. Well done, Patrick!

Aussies of the Month
Aussies of the Month for April will be presented at the assembly this Friday 9th May 2014.

Awards
Student of the Week: KB William Bint  
KS Alisha Collis  
1/2L Mitchell Sibbons  
2/3M Kyle Mann  
3/4T Gemma Brittain  
3/4P Patrick Mannix  
5/6C Joel Pizzuto  
5/6M Angela Grant

Benevolent Society Play Group
The Benevolent Society playgroup will not be held on Monday May 12th, but will return on Monday May 19th. Hope to see you there!!
School Fees Reminder
Voluntary School Contribution: $40 per child or $70 per family (2 or more children) -Per Year
Photocopy Levy (in lieu of textbooks): $20 per child Per Year
Software Levy (access to software to use at home and at school): $20 per child -Per Year
CAPA Levy (Students in Band or Senior Dance Group): $20 per child -Per Term
Please forward any outstanding money to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Child Protection
All classes will be participating in Child Protection lessons either this term or next term. It is mandatory for schools to teach this part of the syllabus. If you would like more information about what will be taught, please contact your child’s teacher and request more information.

Cross Country Carnival
We had wonderful weather for our Cross Country last Friday. Many thanks to the wonderful parents and grandparents who manned our checkpoints. Your support was greatly appreciated. The winning house was Hovell on 86 points, followed by Tyson on 84, Hume on 83 and Macquarie on 75.
The first 8 students in the 10, 11 and 12 year age groups go through to Zone. The 8 and 9 year old age groups compete in the same event at Zone, so only the first 4 students in these two age groups go through from school to compete in the Zone carnival.
Many thanks also to those families who have gathered sponsors. It is now time to collect your sponsor money and return it to school with your prize selection.

Fun Run Fundraiser: What To Do Now..................
1. Collect all sponsor money owing to you. (Write your total on the form)
2. Select a prize from the appropriate category. (Write your prize selection on the form)
3. Return your sponsor form and money to the school office by Monday 19th May 2014.
4. Once all sponsor forms and money have been returned to school our prizes can be ordered.

Zone Cross Country
The Campbelltown Zone Cross Country Carnival will be held at Thomas Acres Reserve (Cleopatra Dr, Rosemeadow) on Tuesday, 27th May 2014.
The carnival will commence at 10am and finish at approximately 2pm. Students in the team will be given a permission note this week. Please ensure that your child travels on the bus with the team, as costs have been calculated assuming that all team members will travel by bus.

Gala Days for Terms 2 and 3
PSSA Winter Gala Days for Terms 2 and 3 are as follows: Friday 23rd May, Friday 13th June, Friday 8th August and Friday 5th September 2014.
Gala day teams will be announced next week. Students in teams will be given a permission note and ‘Code of Conduct’ form to sign and return. This permission note will cover all Gala Days in Terms 2 and 3. Children will need to bring their bus money only, once this permission note has been returned.
All students will travel on the bus to venues. The cost for the bus for each Gala Day will be $8.50 per child. Please send your $8.50 to the office by the Monday before each Gala Day. The bus will depart at 8.50am sharp and return to school by 3.00pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Venues will be announced via the newsletter closer to the date.

Athletics Skills School Sports Program – (For students in Years 2 to 6)
In Term 2, students in Years 2-6 will be participating in an Athletics sports program presented by Fit Futures. This program will run on the Fridays of Weeks 3, 5, 6, 8 and 9 for a total of 5 weeks (starting next week). The children participate in activities that teach techniques and skills for high jump, long jump, shot put, discus and track events. This program will give children the opportunity to receive training by athletics professionals to develop these skills in the lead up to the Athletics Carnival in Term 3.
The program will run for 5 weekly, 60 minute sessions, at a total cost of $22.50 per child.
You may pay by instalments or a lump sum, as long as all session costs are paid in full before the end of Term 2. A reminder that we are able to accept EFTPOS and/or credit card payments at the office.
If you have any financial difficulties please do not hesitate in contacting Ms Walsh to discuss alternative payment arrangements.

Please return the permission note sent home by Wednesday 14th May 2014
Vision Screening
Just a reminder that Year 1 students (who returned a permission note) will take part in Vision Screening on Wednesday 7th May 2014 from 10am.

Easter raffle
The P&C would again like to thank all parents for their generosity in donating eggs for our Easter Raffle. As mentioned in last week’s newsletter there were a huge number of prizes given out to many lucky winners. After cleaning out the bookstall (thank you to those that purchased books), more donated eggs were found. It is our intention to allocate one Easter prize to each class for a lucky draw giving another 9 people a chance to win.
If you were a lucky winner and had a problem with your prize, please contact the office, as we may be able to organise a replacement. We thank you for your ongoing support of P&C fundraisers. Sharon Rochaix, President

Book Club Issue 3
Brochures were sent home last week. Please have all orders in by Wednesday 14th May.

Reminders and Diary Dates

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Calling all Tappers!!

JOIN US FOR A WEEK OF FREE TAP LESSONS!!
No shoes required, Just come down and experience the joy that is Tap.
Tap classes are available for students from 5yrs and over, we also offer BOYS ONLY STOMP TAP.

WHEN?
Thursday 13th May
Please contact admin for class times

NEW CLASS
Mini Tappers
for students aged 3-4yrs.
Enquire now!!

KICKBOXING
Tuesday Nights @ 7pm -- Adults class = 15yrs and over.
Just $10 at the door.
No experience required. Improve your fitness and learn new skills.
Everyone is welcome.

Please contact admin for more info @ Studio7schoolofdance@hotmail.com
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