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A Newsletter for the School and Wider Community of Currans Hill

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Book packs

Unfortunately many parents have not yet made a contribution to the book packs for the year. All children are given their book packs to start the year and we trust that all families will be able to make a contribution towards the cost of these packs. You will recall we have reduced the contribution over the years in an effort to make it more economical for families and efficient by reducing the need for buying all items each year when many items can be used from one year to the next. Many families may also be able to get a tax rebate after paying their contribution under the government's tax refund scheme. Please keep your receipt and pay before June 30th. We would appreciate contributions being paid as soon as possible - \$30 one child, \$55 for two children, and \$75 for three or more children.

Generation Next Seminar: 23rd May at UNSW

Learn more about your children's generation and how to support them through the many issues they will confront including cyber bullying, depression and other mental health issues and drug and alcohol matters. For more information visit www.gennextseminars.com

Electronic Whiteboards

Mrs Miller has continued the process of having some electronic whiteboards installed into the school. With the support of the P&C we are proposing to have three installed. The process will take some time as we need to investigate best location, prepare the facilities, place orders and then installation. This process will take some months but we will keep everyone informed as we proceed.

P&C Movie Night

Mark down Thursday 9th July in the diary for a great movie night fund raiser being organised by your P&C. Tickets will be available in the coming weeks for a cost of only \$6 a person. The P&C will be hiring the entire cinema for our school only so we hope you will support the evening. This will be the second last day of term so it is a great way to celebrate the end of term and treat the

children to a movie night. They could be the first to see Ice Age 3 before everyone else sees it in the holidays!

Invite your friends and get in quick because we are sure the tickets will sell quickly.

Gala Day

Last Friday was our first Gala Day for the year. Thanks to the P&C for donating more sport shirts for the teams and also thanks to the teachers who have been training the teams in their own time and preparing them for the days. Congratulations to the children on their efforts and representing the school.

Parent Visitors

It is critical that parents do not approach other children in the playground to speak to them about incidents. If you have a concern about your child or something that may have occurred, please speak to the child's teacher. We cannot have a situation where parents confront other children directly over matters. Thank you for your support with this.

Mr Wray
Principal

Zone Girls Touch Football

We have just found out officially that Naomi R was successful in making the Razorback Zone Touch Football team. As a Year 5 student this is a wonderful achievement as she is eligible for the team again next year. We will have a report in next week's newsletter on how the Razorback team went at the Regional Carnival.

WELL DONE NAOMI!!!



CANTEEN CORNER

Toasted sandwiches are always available at the canteen. Now you have the choice instead of bread to put your fillings in a roll which is warmed in the oven. All these items are worked out at the same price.

1 filling 2.50 / 2 fillings 3.00

3 fillings 3.50

You can choose your combinations. Just make sure your bag is clearly marked warm roll or toasted sandwich.

HELP NEEDED for 2009 My Macarthur Schools Challenge.

Macarthur Square has invited local schools to join in the chance to win up to \$10,000. Parents, students, staff and friends are rewarded for what they would normally do each week – shop at Macarthur Square.



Support Currans Hill Public School by presenting your receipts to the Customer Service Desk on level 1 (near Dick Smith Powerhouse).

For every \$1 spent at Macarthur Square this will equal 1 school dollar. A school tally will be on display at the Customer Service Desk to check progress. At the end of the challenge the top ten schools with the highest number of dollars per student will win a share in a prize pool of \$40,000.

There are 22 schools participating in the program. Remember we only have to come in the top 10 to win a cash prize for the school.

If you are unable to go to the service desk please send in your receipts to the school office. We will take them up to Macarthur Square on your behalf.

Don't forget to ask your friends and relatives to do the same.

**My Macarthur Schools Challenge Start Date:
Monday 18 May 2009, 9am**

**My Macarthur Schools Challenge End Date:
Sunday 28 June 2009, 5pm**

From the first day of the My Macarthur Schools Challenge a live website will be available with all the important information on how the challenge works www.mymacarthur.com.au

Welcome to the My Macarthur Schools Challenge for 2009!

PRINCIPALS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have reached the level of Principal's Award:

Tiahna D – 1/2F, Orion H – 5H, Matthew H – 1/2T, Kyle B – 1/2M, Olivia N – 3/4W.

Well done to all these students!

Student Engagement

Have you been talking to your kids about their learning? Why not ask them about some of their spelling words – see if they know what some of the words mean. Help them! Talk to them about the word. Model the word in different sentences. Why not use a dictionary together. (Not for every word – just a couple). Let them know you think learning is important and hopefully they will think it is too

ASSEMBLIES

Primary Assemblies Due to Gala Days this term the Primary assemblies will be held in Weeks 4, 5, 7 and 10.

K-2 Assemblies will be held each Friday during term as follows:

On even school weeks (2,4,6,8,10) the assembly will start at 2:15pm. At this assembly, classes will perform their item. The usual weekly merit awards and other awards throughout the year will be given out.

On odd school weeks (3,5,7,9,11) the assembly will start at 2:30pm. This assembly will be run by our school leaders and will include the giving out of merit awards and some singing.

CALENDAR TERM 2 2009

Friday 22 nd May	Zone Cross Country
Friday 5 th June	Gala Day 2
Monday 8 th June	Public Holiday
Friday 26 th June	Gala Day 3
Friday 10 th July	Last day of Term 2

Year 6 T-Shirts

If you are wishing to purchase a year 6 t-shirt for 2009 the deposit of \$5.00 should have already been paid to the office last Friday. However, we will accept notes and deposits Wednesday and place our order later that day. Please note as we have extended the cut off date we will not be accepting any orders on Thursday.

Zone Cross Country

This Friday 22nd May is the Razorback Zone Cross Country which will be held at Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Centre. We wish all our students good luck and hope our training has paid off. If you are taking your own child and not transporting other students we will meet you at the course no later than 9.15am.

PSSA GALA DAY 1 – Girls Soccer

Looking fantastic in the sports jerseys generously purchased by the P&C an enthusiastic group of girls headed to Belgenny in Camden for the first of our PSSA Gala Days for 2009. An enjoyable day was had by all particularly me who has never been to a girl's soccer gala day before. We weren't quite able to bend it like Beckham but there were some moments of brilliance. Thanks to our cheering parents, friends etc who were quite vocal at times.

Results were as follows:

Round 1 vs. Mt Annan

Juniors Lost 1-0 Seniors Lost 3-0

Round 2 Vs Harrington Park Blues

Juniors Drew 0-0 Seniors Won 2-0 (Naomi R)

Round 3 Vs Narellan Vale Green

Juniors Lost 3-0 Seniors Won 2-0 (Sam R & Kyla x2)

Round 4 Vs Harrington Park Jade

Juniors Lost 1-0 Seniors Lost 3-0

Round 5 Vs Camden South

Juniors Lost 2-0 Seniors Drew 0-0

PSSA Soccer B Bonanza

Gala Day 1 got off to a bad start. Before we even got on the bus the junior team was missing four players. This meant we were going to have to play one player short and there would be no reserves for five games. The other drama was the wind, we were virtually blown away.

The boys both Senior and Junior hit the field with enthusiasm. We started out against Camden. The juniors lost 4-0 and the seniors lost 4-0. Next was Harrington Park for the juniors, they lost 4-0 and the seniors played Mt Annan Blue and lost 2-0. We then played Mt Annan Red and the juniors lost 4-0 and the seniors dug deep and come away with a nil all draw. Now the tide was starting to turn. We played Narellan Vale and the juniors lost 2-0 but the seniors won 2-0. We finally got to the last game, the juniors were tired (having had no reserves), some were injured and others out of energy. Conner couldn't run any more his blisters were just too bad and he was relegated to goals (which he played very well by the way). But did this all deter them NO because they walked away with a win 4-0 against Cobbitty. The seniors also played Cobbitty and were revitalised after their last win and they also defeated Cobbitty 3-0.

All the boys played well but our goal scorers were Jake, Seth, Lachlan and Brendan in the juniors. Our senior goal scorers were Brodie (2), Bo(2) and Liam. By the end the seniors were defending expertly and putting a lot of pressure on the opposition in attack. There were many great players but my Junior Best and Fairest goes to Mason B and the senior award goes to Brodie L.

PSSA Hockey

Last Friday the PSSA Junior and Senior hockey teams went to Macarthur Hockey Complex. In the junior games, Justin W scored a goal against Mawarra and Andrew W scored a goal against Narellan. The senior team did not win any games but had a great day.

The results were as follows:

Round 1 vs. Narellan Vale

Juniors 0-0 seniors 0-5

Round 2 vs. Narellan

Juniors 1-0 seniors 0-3

Round 3 vs. Mt Annan

Juniors 0-0 seniors 0-3

Round 4 vs. Mawarra

Juniors 1-0 seniors 0-1

Round 5 vs. Camden South

Juniors 0-1 seniors 0-1

PSSA Soccer A Junior & Senior

Juniors

We won 3 games and lost 2. Four goals scored by Sam, goals also to Noah, Dylan and Josh. Josh gave 100% all day, going forward and back. We need to play in our positions and not bunch

up. In defence we need to jockey. Best and fairest went to Josh!

Seniors

Undefeated! Won 4 and Drew 1

Fantastic performance from everyone. You were a well oiled machine even with one training session. Passing and teamwork was a pleasure to watch. The goal tally was: Liam (3), Brad B (2), Jack, Jordan G, Matt and Dylan B. Best and fairest went to Shane (Sweeper) and Dylan B (Keeper) for being outstanding in defence.

P.S Thanks to all the parents for supporting. See you at the next Gala Day!

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Round 1 Vs Mt Annan

Juniors 2-0 seniors 1-1

Round 2 Vs Mawarra

Juniors 2-1 seniors 2-0

Round 3 Vs Harrington Park

Juniors 4-0 seniors 2-0

Round 4 Vs Warragamba

Juniors 2-0 seniors 3-0

Round 5 Vs Narellan

Juniors 3-1 seniors 1-0

Library News

What a wonderful visit we had from author, Roslyn Motter last week. The children really enjoyed her talk about the Doofuzz Dudes series of books. Her books are available for sale with Mrs Savidge in the library.

ANAPHYLAXIS– Severe allergic reaction

Your child may have spoken to you about some children at our school who have an allergic condition that makes them especially sensitive to certain foods.

Anaphylaxis is a severe, potentially life threatening allergic reaction to certain foods that these children may have come into contact with. In this case, peanuts, nut products, and eggs are the main hazards.

Eating, touching or smelling these foods can cause lips, eyes and airways to swell and the children may not be able to breathe.

In view of this very serious condition, we are asking you to support our efforts in caring for the children's needs by choosing lunch spreads and food items that are safe when making your child's lunch and recess. Therefore, we ask that NO peanut butter, peanut biscuits, cakes with peanuts, peanut butter cracker dips, Nutella or eggs be brought into Currans Hill PS so that we can all share in keeping these children healthy at school.

We are proud of the supportive and accepting spirit that our community has always demonstrated towards students with special needs, and we feel confident that with careful management, we can work together to maintain the caring family atmosphere that we all want for our children.