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A Newsletter for the School and Wider Community of Currans Hill

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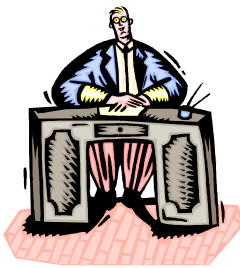
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Term 2, Week 7

Tuesday 9th June, 2009

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Community Centre – Tuesday afternoons

A community group utilises the centre for disabled members of the community.

Occasionally, some of these members wave to our children and talk to them as they walk home from school and past the centre. The members are behind the centre's fence. I have spoken to the centre and asked the coordinators to monitor the situation. Some parents have concerns that these adults may speak to their children. I am sure this situation is safe but you may like to use the opportunity to again speak to your child about stranger danger and talking to unknown people as they walk home.

Chess Results

Congratulations to our chess players who represented the school last week in a tournament in Campbelltown. Mr Woudsma was proud of the team effort and the school finished second in the competition. A great effort!

P&C Meeting

This month's P&C meeting will be held next Wednesday, 17th June. A forum on Special Education is being held this Wednesday in Sydney so the meeting has been moved to next week to accommodate some members attending this forum.

Mr Wray – Principal

PRINCIPALS AWARDS

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

Justin W 4/5T, Brodie M, 4/5T, Jakob 4/5T, Samantha G 4/5T, Kristen S – 4D, Kymberlee I. – 4/5T, Chad I. – K/1W, Braith B. – 1/2M, Bailey M – 1/2R, Brodie M. – 4/5T, Joshua K – 1/2M, Tyler F – 5H.



Special mention to:

Kristen S – 4D and Tyler F – 5H who have reached the level of Principal's Medallion.

Well done to all these students!

K-2 Assembly – Friday 12th June 2.30pm

Primary Assembly – Friday 12th June 12.00pm

Our Visit to Sydney Wildlife World

On Thursday, we went to Sydney Wildlife World. We saw an echidna looking for some worms to eat. My group saw the kangaroos fighting in the sand. I saw a snake open its mouth with no teeth.

In the butterfly room, three landed on my hand and there were two brown and one black and blue. I saw a man with a python in his arms and got to have a touch. It was dark brown and very long.



I learnt that the stick insects camouflage when they hold on to something.

By Ashleigh – 1/2F

PRIMARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

At the beginning of Term 3, Thursday the 30th July all primary (Years 3-6) students will be attending the athletics carnival at Campbelltown Athletics Stadium. As it is part of the school's PDHPE curriculum all students are expected to attend. Cost will be \$8.50. Permission notes were handed out today and need to be returned with money to the office by **Friday 3rd July**. If you have a child who is turning 8 in year 2 and is a capable athlete please see Miss Batros for a permission note.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO COLLECT YOUR MACARTHUR SQUARE SHOPPING DOCKETS.

Support Currans Hill Public School by presenting your receipts to the Customer Service Desk on level 1 (near Dick Smith Powerhouse). The receptionist will initial your receipts and return them to you.

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.

The live website is available with all the important information on how the challenge works www.mymacarthur.com.au

This Saturday 13th June is 'Bonus Double Up Day' at Macarthur Square. Simply have your shopping docket for purchases made on Saturday validated on the day for double points. This can be done by taking your dockets to the service desk located on the lower level outside of Dick Smith Powerhouse store.



CALENDAR TERM 2 2009

Wednesday 10 th June	Multicultural Morning Tea
Wednesday 10 th June	ICAS Science Test
Wednesday 17 th June	Stage 2 Cricket Clinic
Wednesday 17 th June	P&C Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 23 rd June	ICAS Spelling / Writing
Wednesday 24 th June	Opera House Recorder Concert
Friday 26 th June	Gala Day 3
Tuesday 30 th June	Transition to School Pre School visit 11.45am – 12.30pm
Monday 6 th July	Mt Annan High School Transition – Year 6
Wednesday 8 th July	P&C Meeting 7pm
Thursday 9 th July	P&C Movie Night
Friday 10 th July	Last day of Term 2

CANTEEN CORNER

Breakfast items are available from the canteen if you are at early enough to school. We are happy to oblige with everybody's request if at all possible. Some



examples are:

Fruit, Toast, Milo, Cheesestringer, Cheese and bacon roll etc.

Your patience is required on some mornings as it is a busy time for placing orders as well.

FUN 4 FRIENDS

Fun 4 friends is still going strong! It is held on Tuesdays at lunchtime in the hall. If you don't have many friends and are looking for some fun come to the hall. Don't worry if you forget we will remind you at the morning assembly. Fun 4 friends is asking for donations. If you have some "working" toys eg dolls, cars, small toys that you think would be suitable could you please bring them in next week and give them to the office.

Jasmine E 5/6D

Fun 4 Friends Committee

Safety and Care of Students

The safety and welfare of our students is of utmost importance. Section 14 of the *Companion Animals Act* (1998) states that *'Dogs are prohibited in schools (whether or not they are leashed or otherwise controlled)*. In ensuring the safety of our students we ask that *no dog be brought on to school property at any time.*



CAKE STALL Year 6 Fundraising

TOMORROW, Wednesday 10th June we will be having a cake stall to raise money for the Year 6 Farewell and gift to the school. Cakes, slices, biscuits etc will be on sale with prices from 20c. We thank you in advance for supporting Year 6 in their fundraising endeavours. Whilst we cannot guarantee that all cakes will be nut free, we have asked that parents donate cakes that do not contain nut products.



MULTICULTURAL MORNING TEA

When: Wednesday 10th June 2009

Time: 9.00am-10.00am

Where: The staffroom

A reminder about the morning tea we are having for our multicultural mums, dads and carers next week. We would love to see some new faces especially from our Kindergarten parents who were born overseas or whose parents come from other countries. Hope to see you there!

Roslyn Bui Viet - ESL Teacher

BATHURST EXCURSION Years 5/6

The year 5 and 6 major excursion for 2009 is to visit Bathurst for three days – 14th – 16th September. All children have received an information and permission note. A payment plan has been devised to assist with spreading out the cost involved. If you wish to secure your child's attendance and participation, please return the 'Attendance & Confirmation' note along with a \$50 deposit.

GALA DAYS

The next Gala day will be held on Friday 26th June (Week 9). We are still waiting to hear about a new date for the rained out day.

TRANSITION TO KINDERGARTEN

Last week's pre-school visit was a great success with children visiting the school Library and the Canteen. Our next visit is on Tuesday 30th June from 11.45am – 12.30pm. Children will participate in sport and dance activities. If you have a child who will commence Kindergarten in 2010 and they do not attend these visits with pre-school, you are welcome to bring them along.

SOUTH WEST REGION CHESS LEAGUE

What a fantastic performance from our chess teams at the South West Region Chess League last week. The A's finished 2nd and the B's finished 5th in the competition held at St. Peter's Anglican School, Campbelltown. The games were both keenly contested and played in the right spirit. St. Peters A team were too good on the day and will go on to the regional match. Thanks to Currans Hill parents for your assistance with transportation and your support during the day.

The teams were

A : Brandon, Alex, Jayden and Jackson

B: Liam, Orion, Joshua, Arena and Dylan.

PS. Stay tuned for the Chess Gala Day later in the year. Anyone who likes chess and knows the rules can play in this.

Thanks

Mr H Woudsma

HEAD LICE

We have had some reported cases of head lice at school recently. We ask that all parents be vigilant in checking their children's hair for the presence of head lice and nits. Special treatments / shampoos are available at pharmacies and supermarkets. The Health Department's website has a great deal of information and advice.
www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/environment/headlice/treatment.asp