Welcome back to Term 4. It is good to see all the students back safe and sound. This is the start of yet another busy term with many opportunities for students. Stage 3 students are visiting Canberra this week and next week they have the chance to listen to Michael Crossland a very inspirational speaker. Michael is one of Australia’s most sought after inspirational speakers. Michael has a highly entertaining and thought provoking insight into overcoming extreme adversity’s to live a life of exceptional achievements.

We also begin our 2015 Kindergarten transition program next week and we look forward to welcoming our new friends next Wednesday morning. Also coming up this term is our Jump Off Day, Milo Cricket Gala Day, our next debate, a visit by Whizzy Water Wise for K-2 students, our K-4 disco, our Year 6 Fun Day and a visit by Wahroonga Public School band in November. So as you can see we have a lot going on this term and these are just a few activities coming up.

Rita Pittman, Principal

“I can’t change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination.”

Jimmy Dean

KD performed an action poem called “We are going on a Bear Hunt” for the school at the assembly on Friday 19th September. The students enjoyed dressing up and bringing their favourite bear to school.

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‘Liam played the bear’
At the assembly held on Friday 19th September, Merit Certificates were awarded to the following students: Nevaeh Pemberton-Land, Eva Greenaway, Samuel Barwell, Bella Atkins, Joseph Seddon, Mackenzie Garnett, Shauri-Lee Turner, Matea Brown, Amelia Haddow, Jayla Ruttley, Sai McHutchison, Tallis Taylor-Wilson, Blade Letcher, Kali Wells, Logyn Buddle-Leaver, Harry Fittock, Jordyn Halfacre-Ryan, Dimity Bartlett and Aaron Smith.

CHICKEN POX

There have been a couple of cases of chicken pox reported to the school. The following information is an excerpt from the NSW Health website:

Chicken pox is a highly contagious viral illness that begins with a sudden onset of slight fever, runny nose, feeling generally unwell and a skin rash. The rash usually begins as small lumps that turn into blisters and then scabs. Symptoms usually occur two weeks after exposure to the virus. It is spread by coughing or direct contact with the fluid in the blisters.

SPORT PHOTO ORDERS

Sports Group Photos are now on display at the school and can be ordered by completing an order form at the front office. Orders, with payment, must be returned to the school by Friday 24th October. Photos are $14 each or 2 for $26. Other prices are available for additional orders.

STATE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tim Walker will represent our school as part of the Hunter Region team at next week’s State PSSA Athletics Championships in Sydney. Tim will compete in the 11 Years Shot Put event and this is the second year in a row that he has made it through to the State Championships. Well done Tim! We wish him well in his quest to do his personal best against the other talented throwers that he will compete against.

MILO CRICKET GALA DAY

Students from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will represent our school at the Milo Cricket Gala Day at Wingham Sporting Complex on Thursday 16th October. Travel to and from the Gala Day will be by bus organised by the school. Information/permission notes will be sent home ASAP.

JUMP OFF DAY

Our Jump Off Day where students get the opportunity to demonstrate their skipping skills will be held next Friday 17th October on our hard court and top grass area.

Session times are:
Years 3, 4, 5, 6 9.30am – 11am
Years K, 1, 2, 11.45am – 1pm

All parents, grandparents and carers are invited to come along and watch all the skipping action.

All sponsor forms and sponsorship money collected by students is to be returned to class teachers AFTER our Jump Off Day. We thank parents and carers for supporting their child to collect sponsors and sponsorship money for our Jump Rope for Heart fundraising.

CANTERBURY NEWS

Roster for the following week is:
Thursday 9th October  Lauren, Liz
Friday 10th October  Susie, Jenny, Liz
Monday 13th October  Narelle
Tuesday 14th October  Andrew, Ray

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