PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

There are many wonderful things happening at our school and we are very proud of how our students work and play together. We have recently been described as "a good example of how a school functions well". Part of this includes our expectations of student behaviour and our welfare and discipline policy. Having said this, now is a good time to remind the community of "what bullying actually is". At our school we do not accept bullying.

Bullying is:

- REPEATED – repeated hurtful behaviour and
- AN INTENT TO HARM – either physically or emotionally, and
- A POWER IMBALANCE – related to physical size, strength, age, status or vulnerability.

Bullying is NOT:

- One off mutual disagreements between students
- Where there is no power imbalance
- Mutual teasing, joking and social banter
- People looking at you
- Not liking someone or a single act of rejection
- One off acts of meanness or spite
- Unintentional or accidental behaviour
- Single or random incidents of aggression, intimidation or violence

If you believe your child is being bullied, please contact the school as soon as possible so that we can work together to fix the problem.

Rita Pittman, Principal

“We can do no great things, only small things with great love.”

Mother Teresa

DIARY DATES - TERM 2, 2014

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‘SEE SHARP’ PERFORMANCE

Last Friday we were lucky enough to be entertained by Lorin Nicholson, who is a blind guitarist and motivational speaker. He performed a variety of musical styles as well as showing us various guitar techniques. He also spoke to us about what it is like to be blind and the many challenges he faced when he was growing up. Our first photo with the students, show the limited vision he has (6%).

Our second photo is of the great participation of the audience. All students and staff enjoyed this performance.

By Dimity and Aaron
BUNGWAHL SKIPPERS

Last week the talented students from Bungwahl PS came to WPS to showcase their talents in skipping. The presentation was very polished and our students appreciated the talent and fitness required to perform such a skilled routine.

UNIFORMS

With the cooler days now approaching it is great to see students in the winter uniform. Recently we have seen a number of different coloured jumpers creeping in. Our school jumper is red with or without our school logo.

‘Loom bands’ are considered jewellery and as such are not part of the school uniform – children are reminded to keep these at home for after school and weekend wear.

NETBALL

Congratulations to the Girls Netball team who played a very close game against Chatham P.S. last Friday. The team consisted of Luka Urquhart, Georgia and Kyra Lane, Grace Boyd, Emily Brood, Jordan Halfacre-Ryan, Halle Dawson, Breanka Hinton and Nathalia Anderson. All the team played well but were closely defeated 20-24.

Special thanks to Masako Urquhart and Renea Lane for coaching and transporting the team.

State Hockey Championships

Madeline Betts and Dimity Bartlett will play in the State PSSA Girls Hockey Championships at Narellan in Sydney next week. Madeline and Dimity are members of the Hunter Region team that will play against other regional teams from across NSW. Good luck girls!

CANTEEN NEWS

Athletics carnival BBQ notes for primary students are available at the canteen if you haven’t already received one. Orders need to be in by 18th June please.

Fun new meal – Road Runner Wrap – tender chicken “pops” with grated cheese and chopped tomato, wrapped and toasted in the sandwich press – warm and delicious – just $3.00 (thank you Evelyn for the idea!)

The volunteers and I have noticed a lot of infants children coming to the counter in the mornings with money but no idea of what they want to buy – if you can jot down a note to say what you want them to buy and if it’s for recess or lunch it will save a lot of time.

Volunteers for the following week are:

Thursday 12th June Ronda
Friday 13th June Roslyn, Liz, Jenny
Monday 16th June Maxine
Tuesday 17th June Sandy, Andrew, Ray
Wednesday 18th June Jaymie

Verlie Blackmore, Supervisor, ph 6553 5030

P&C NEWS

The disco for students in Years 3-6 (only) is on tomorrow night in the school hall from 6-8pm sharp. Tickets will be on sale at the door for $3 each. There will be soft drink, poppers and bottles of water available for purchase on the night, as well as assorted glow products, packets of chips and small bags of lollies. The disco will be supervised by school staff.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 19th June at 6pm in the staffroom.

Bree Seddon-Wickenden, Vice-President

SMITH FAMILY SAVERPLUS

Saver Plus is a savings plan available to Healthcare/Pension card holders who are at least 18 years old, have income from regular work and are parent/guardian of a child at school or attending vocational education themselves. Saver Plus provides an opportunity to have every dollar saved (up to $500) matched with an additional dollar for your own or your family’s education related expenses. For information phone 6557 8284.

VACATION CARE PROGRAM

The Junction is providing Vacation Care from Monday 30th June – 11th July 2014. Please phone 6551 2711 for details.