

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- Tues 18th Nov
P&C meeting
- Thurs 20th
Nov -
Marimbas in
Cessnock
- Sat 22nd
Nov—Lantern
Parade, sau-
sage sizzle &
games
- Kinder Orien-
tation Days
14th, 21st,
28th Nov &
5th Dec
- Fri 28th West-
pac Walka-
thon

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TERM 4, WEEK 7

19 NOVEMBER 2014

Marimbas on Tour!

We are looking forward to Thursday's marimba performances in Cessnock. A driver's list has gone home, please check it and make sure your child is catered for. The first performance begins at the Masonic Village in West Avenue at 10.00. Our performance at the Calvary Retirement Community is at 1.45. All students are to wear full school uniform, and will return to school by 3.30.

Thank you again to the parents able to make it along to the P&C meeting. One topic of discussion was the school uniform. In 2015 the P&C will run a one-stop uniform shop, with all uniform items

available. These items will be the school hat, the school shirt, the school jumper, boys shorts and pants and girls 'skorts' and pants. All pants, shorts and skorts will be **royal blue**, in keeping with our school colours. Socks are white, with black shoes. Given that we promote an active school life, parents need to consider black shoes that provide proper support and can cope with our hill! Sports shoes to be worn on sports days. On Friday December 5th, the last Kinder Orientation Day, sample items along with an order form will be available for parents.

The Lantern Parade will take place this Saturday

evening, and leave from Negro St, next to the tennis courts. Sally Sullivan will be running a lantern repair workshop from 4.00pm to 6.00pm. There will be a barbeque going and kids games from 6.30. See you there!

Mrs Shaunessy is organising a walkathon to raise money for the Westpac Helicopter Rescue Service on Friday 28th November. We will be cooking a barbeque breakfast from 8.00am, with the walk to start at 9.00am at John Forsyth's Oval. A sponsorship form is attached. Thank you Mrs Shaunessy for this great fund-raising initiative, it will be a great morning. - Mr Howe

Presentation Night 2014

Preparations are afoot for this year's Presentation Night on Tuesday 9th December! Parents, please check that you have forwarded your \$10 to the office for dance costuming. Today the students are bringing home some invitations for any neighbours, friends or relatives who would like to come along!

We have had a visitor around the classrooms during the week!



School Matters

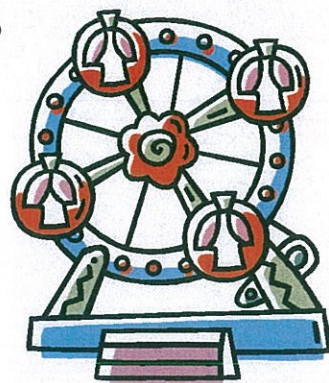
Keeping track of all uniform items can be difficult. Please ensure all hats and jackets are clearly labelled, and take time to check out your own child's hat and jacket—it is not unusual for students to inadvertently take home someone else's belongings.

Christmas Carols are on the last day of school - we are looking forward to the change! Carols will be held in the cool of the morning, and Santa has been notified

of the changes! There is a strong rumour that Santa is concentrating on books as gifts, labelled with each child's name. Parents, please call in at the office to help fill Santa's sack!

Year 6 students will be heading to Luna Park on Thursday 11th December for an end-of year trip! It will be a very special opportunity for this very special group of students to enjoy each other's company in

the twilight of their primary school years.



Year 4-5-6 News

Drama! As mentioned last week, the senior class have created their own play. The students came up with the idea, developed characters, workshopped scenes and introduced plots and sub-plots, and a final script has been produced. The play will be performed on the last Friday afternoon of the year, on the 12th December. In a triple-treat, the K-1 and 2-3 classes will also be staging their own plays! Things will kick off at 2.30 at the Laguna Hall!

Entertainers, scientists, electrical engineers, ornithologists, marine biologists, sports agents - our students have their sights set high when thinking about their future careers! We are enjoying hearing the students delivering speeches on what they want to be when they grow up!

*"Sculpture is the
art of the hole and
the lump" -
Auguste Rodin*

K-1 News *from Mrs Shaunessy*

Welcome to week 7, where has this term disappeared to? We had a fabulous first Kindergarten Orientation for term 4. The existing K-1 displayed great leadership and were fantastic role models. We were lucky enough to receive a great talk on garlic from Stratton on Monday, demonstrating how to top and tail garlic, how it is grown, how to store it, harvesting and initial plant-



ing. Very informative and a taster to take home. Thanks Stratton and Nat for your generosity. In Maths this week with Kindergarten we are working on basic addition and counting on. Year one are looking at two digit numbers using groups of ten. In English we are looking at Comprehension and Verbs. Have a fantastic week.



Year 2-3 News

I'm extremely proud of my 2/3 monsters this week for their commitment to learning. Our BFG 2 book has well and truly taken off and we just can't stop writing! We also have some very talented artists taking care of the illustrations. The finished product should be available in a bookstore near you close to Christmas.

In science this week we have been making noise investigating sound. We classified all the musical instruments we could get our hands on into various categories and made an awful racquet. We have observed sound vibrations made from many sources and have constructed our own clucking chickens out of plastic cups and string!

Congratulations to Seth, Ardyn and Talim for outstanding reading this week and skyrocketing to level 30!

Weekly Achievement Awards!



**4-5-6 Playground
Award - Jaimie, for
her smile and
friendliness in the
playground.**



**K-1 Classroom
Award, Ruby,
for consistent
effort across all
areas of school-
ing.**



**2-3 Classroom
Award - Seth, for
outstanding read-
ing!**



**4-5-6 Classroom
Award - Dhani, for dis-
playing maturity and
excellent citizenship!**



**2-3 Playground
Award—Ciara, for
always being kind in
the playground.**



**K-1 Classroom
Award - Georgie,
for consistent
effort across all
areas of school-
ing.**

**4-5-6 Classroom
Award - Ryder, for
being focused and
for achieving great
results in maths and
literacy.**

