

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- Yr 6 Discover
Uni Day, Fri
5th June
- Pirate Day, Fri
12th June
- Zone Athletics, Fri 7th
August
- Art Show
21st—23rd
August
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TERM 2, WEEK 6

27TH MAY 2015

As mentioned last week, it was a very successful athletics carnival held last week at Turner Park in Cessnock. Simone, on behalf of Mulbring PS, organized and ran the day with the support of our incredible parent body and teaching staff. The day was characterized by the total participation of all students and excellent sportsmanship. The following students will represent our school at the Cessnock Zone Athletics Carnival in Term 3: Skye, Brody, Lucy, James, Tristan, Alisha, Nirikai, Flynn, Sam, Ben, Oliver, Clio, Katelyn, Dennis, Bronte, Annabelle, Yinaa and Trevor. Go team!

Vegetable Gardens. Our vege gardens are coming together beautifully. Nash and Phoenix's mum Rebekah brought in a load of seedlings last week and the beds look fantastic. We look forward to nurturing the plants in the coming weeks, and working towards harvesting and cooking the produce!

This Friday we bid farewell to Matthew from Kindergarten

ten, and parents Melanie and Grant. We wish you all the best for the future in your new home.

School Carpark. The school carpark at pick up time is a risky spot for our students, and the teachers would appreciate the help of all parents in managing children at this time of day. Please ensure you back your car into the car parking spaces, please meet your child inside the school gates and please take your child's hand as you cross the carpark to your vehicle. I appreciate your cooperation in this important matter.



I must commend our K-1 students for their resilience and beautiful manners over the last two weeks. In Mrs Shaunessy's absence we have had several wonderful teachers taking care of the K-1 learning program and the



students have responded beautifully. Thank you to Mr Cagney, Ms Fitzgibbon, Simone and Jennie Capstick for your care and guidance.

I have spent 3 days in the last week at the annual Hunter/Central Coast Principals Conference and at the local Cessnock Principals Meeting. At the conference we were privileged to hear from Sir Ken Robinson, an English educator who spoke very engagingly about the importance of creativity and diversity in schools. Aspects of this have been built into our school plan. I recommend his TED Talk from 2006. Go to www.ted.com and search for Ted Robinson.

Have a great week. Mr Howe

Library - with Mrs Baker!

PRC News. Well done to Brody, Atticus and Nash for completing the PRC this year!

Parents, you are able to enter your child's PRC record yourself. Each student has a department log on and password that they use at school and this is the one they need to use for PRC entries. If your child doesn't know please see the relevant teacher for their details. Encourage them to enter the details online so they can watch their progress.

School Matters!

Art with Kes Harper has been off to a great start. Students have looked at work by John Olsen, producing paintings of pizza (real pizza!), and are now studying the works of Keith Connor. Check out the photos of artwork throughout the newsletter!

Parents, thank you for notifying the school through emails, notes and phone calls of any student absences.

Next Friday Year 6 students will visit Newcastle University for a Discover Uni Day—a great program to excite students about their future!



“The cyclone derives its powers from a calm centre. So does a person.”
Norman Vincent Peale.

Year 4-5-6 News

Students will have a two-week break from spelling and maths homework, as they work on their Library project and begin to develop their speech for the public speaking competition.

The Library project is a PowerPoint presentation on Extreme Weather, and was handed out at Library yesterday. School laptop computers can be borrowed for this project - please see Mr Howe. Students have been studying the topic in class, and this week have been refreshing their PowerPoint skills.

The Public Speaking competition is coming up, and this week students have been selecting their topic. All students will present a speech by the end of this term, and the top two speeches (and a third reserve) will go on to represent our school at the Regional Public Speaking Competition at Nulkaba PS in early third term. The competition is open for all students K-6.

Congratulations to Clio, Lochee, Oliver and Nirikai on their wining entries to the short story competition, sponsored by Exisle Publishing. Sharpen your pencils and imaginations students, as we will hold another competition in Term 3. Meanwhile, we have had some wonderful poetry lessons with Ms Davey. The work being produced by the students has been fantastic, and selections will be published in the OON. John Forsyth has also agreed to sponsor a Poetry Prize - from what I have read so far, the judges will have a tough job on their hands! See the back page for a few choice selections.

Year K-1 News. As mentioned before, our K-1 students are making us all very proud as they continue to learn and have fun with a few different faces!

Home reading is continuing; look for a new reader in your child's bag each night.



Year 2-3 News

The Year 2/3 students have been pizza mad this week! We have appreciated, drawn, painted, eaten and written recipe procedures about them. We have made some beautiful watercolour artworks of pizza in the style of John Olsen with Kes.

Stan's Pepperoni Pizza Recipe.

You need: Pizza base, tomato sauce, cheese, pepperoni.

1. Make base.
2. Spread tomato sauce over base.
3. Sprinkle cheese over base.
4. Put pepperoni on top.
5. Bake in oven.

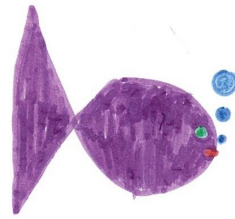
That's how to make pepperoni pizza! Stanley is available to cater for weddings, parties, anything.



Thank you to all the students who have been so eager to get stuck into their new homework books! It is fantastic to see so many books in the tray every Friday afternoon. Please don't stress if your child can't fit in two full pages of homework every week - I understand how busy we all are and I don't want homework to be painful!

Congratulations to Jesse Kelso for winning the 2/3 Rubbish Free Lunchbox prize! He scored 15 minutes free computer time. **A Compassion Award** to Maya-Kai for being a kind and caring friend, **a Responsibility Award** to Jesse Kelso for being an amazing help in the classroom and our **Playground Award** goes to Nirikai for being a fair soccer player!

Pirate Day - 12th June!



dress as a pirate

bring a gold coin donation

bring any old toys that you don't want anymore for a old toy stall

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Noise Poems, by the Senior Class.

I hear crreekk, whispers, susses, moans

The rickety old house

On the abandoned lane

Waiting for a renovation. by Trevor

I hear tap, tap, tap, groan, crack, crack

An old water-logged house, grey with oldness

Slowly sinking into a ditch

Calling for help by Lochee

I hear the click click click

Of a lost bottle-nosed dolphin

In the Barrier Reef trying to find home

Calling for help by Jaimie

I hear rrrroarr

A big, yellow lion

Calling his mate

Across the arid plains by Annabelle

I can hear the rustling of the leaves as a leopard climbs a baobab tree

The whooshing of the wind disturbing the tall grass

This is a mosaic

A lion roars to a cheetah not to come near. by Zara

I hear whoosh, shhhwshuush, bubble

A beautiful glowing, gurgling waterfall

In the quiet, warm and lush green bush

Trying, trying to get away by Lara