

Strathfield North Public School

*Working harmoniously, in partnership with parents and caregivers,
To provide the highest standard of education for each student.*



Friday Footnotes

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Term 4

Week 3

6th November, 2009

Building Update

By the time you receive this newsletter I am expecting that "action" will have started in the primary playground. The next twelve months will be challenging but I am confident that the gain of the new classrooms and the hall improvements will be worth the short term inconvenience.

This week and next week we will be trialling a new timetable, including changed library, scripture, recess and lunch times.

School starting and finishing times will not be changed.

When children arrive at school, they have been asked to put their bag in a designated location for their class and then proceed to the COLA. The students will come out to eat and play in two groups, K-2 and Stages 2 and 3. Students will eat recess and lunch at the silver seats and play in the COLA area of the playground.

We have made arrangements for the children who catch the bus to get to the bus stop on the eastern side of Concord Road for the scheduled arrival time of the bus. Please inform the school, in writing, if the closure of the Correys Ave and Concord Road gates means your child is having trouble getting to their bus on time.

The staff can no longer park inside the school grounds so that means that there will be added pressure on parking close to the school. Please use the drop off system or if possible walk to school. All schools have parking issues and it is up to us to work together to keep your children safe.

School Administrative Staff Recognition Week

On behalf of the school community I would like to acknowledge the work done by our office staff, teacher's aides and general assistant. These people keep the place running by ensuring "the business" is well organised and that students are well cared for when they need it. Thank you Mrs Turley, Mrs Gallagher, Mrs Sahajdak, Mrs Kingsford-Smith, Mrs Gill, Mrs Pooley and Mr Mullins for the great contribution you make to the school. I would also like to thank the many casual staff we have in. They do a great job in filling in when the school needs extra help.

Hot Weather

Please remind your child to wear his or her hat and bring plenty of water to school. Also, many students continue to wear their jumpers or jerseys on very hot days, even though they are encouraged by staff to take them off. Please discuss this issue with your child as wearing lots of clothing can cause overheating, resulting in your child becoming ill.

Your help in this matter is appreciated.

Selective High School

Completed Selective High School application forms are due back to Mrs Evans by Friday 13th November 2009.

School Leaders 2010

Congratulations to all the Year 5 students who have “put their hand up” and nominated to be considered as a member of the student leadership team for 2010. Posters will be on display next week and speeches will be held in the following week.

Address Details

Please make sure the school has your correct address details as reports will be sent home this term by mail.

Future Events

November

9th – Kindergarten orientation – Session 3
Musica Viva – at school

December

7th – Annual Presentation day – Concord High School
8th – Stage 3 Fete - (only for K-6 students)
9th – Combined Scripture Christmas Service
11th – Year 6 Farewell Night
16th – End of Year activities - last day of school

Notes Sent Home

- Building Project Update
- Stage 3 Fete

Canteen News Parent helpers for next week are:- Miller M, Richard L, Annette A & Gina S, Anna C and Andrea P & Anna C.
Thank you **Margaret H**

Double Bass or Trumbone Player Wanted for The Training Band in 2010 !

(For years 2 to 4 students in 2010 only.)

Please let Arti know if interested.

Email : vasiarti@optusnet.com.au

Instrument Allocation Notes for new members to the school music program have gone out this week.

Selective Schools

St George Girls High Enrolments for Year 7, 2011 – applications need to be forwarded by 13th November, 2009. Open Day Friday 6th November; for more information phone 9587 5902.

Community Announcements

Communities for Communities and City of Canada Bay Council

Cinema in the Park at Brett Park (opposite Drummoyne Pool), Day Street, Drummoyne

Saturday 7 November from 6pm. Movie “Mamma Mia” (PG) See the smash hit on the big outdoor screen!

FREE EVENT Entertainment and Food from 6pm Giant 40 ft Screen, under the stars, sit on a blanket or jump to your feet.... Come along to a great nights out for all the family.

SwimSafe

Swimsafe classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, river, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs give wonderful results, and are great fun as well! Sport and Recreation runs Swimsafe classes in pools all over the state, including somewhere near you. For more information or to make a booking phone 13 13 02 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

Concord Hospital Hospital – Information Forums for Carers

Tuesday 10th November 9.45am – 12pm Conference Room (opposite cafeteria)

Legal Issues – Power of Attorney, Aged Rights and Guardianship & Wills

End-Of –Life-Issues - Advanced care planning/living, wills and substitute decision-making

Morning tea will be provided RSVP 9767 6680

Blood Donations

The Blood Donormobile is returning to Concord Hospital Thursday 12/11 and Friday 13/11 9am to 2.30pm.

To make an appointment phone 13 14 95.