Principal’s Message

Principal’s Awards

Congratulations to Charlotte, Cooper, Kianna, Ashleigh, Toby and Jemma. Their picture will soon be posted on our website.

NAPLAN

All tests were completed by the end of the week. We now await the results. I would like to congratulate the students in Years 3 and 5 for the mature way they approached the tests. I am confident that everyone did their very best, and that’s all I can ask.

Athletics Carnival & K-2 Tabloids

Parents are welcome to join us on both occasions. I remind everyone that assembling at school and travelling to the carnival by bus is compulsory, as the cost of the bus charter has to be shared equitably.

Student Leaders Conference

On Friday, Mrs Reason and I accompanied our young leaders to Wollongong University for a day of high engagement, worthwhile presentations and fun. We will be following this up with a videoconference for all Year 6 students early next term. In the meantime, watch out for our leaders putting some new initiatives into action!

School Uniform

At the P&C AGM, the five year uniform review was undertaken. The only substantial change is the introduction of a sports shirt and shorts, which will be on display when they are available. The other decision made was to enforce the current uniform, right down to the footwear. For many of our students, this will mean no change at all. For others who need reminding, normal day-to-day shoes are black. They can be black sports shoes (no contrasting colour laces) but not casual black slip-ons that offer little or no support. Socks are fold-down (ie covering the ankles) in grey for boys and white for girls. Term 2 will be a period of grace – from the beginning of Term 3 students not in full school uniform will not be able to access Playground C or attend any off-site activities.
**Weekly Scheduling**

Learning how to make time for homework, study, chores, part-time jobs and so on is a vital skill for all kids, but it’s one that we need to teach them by example. It’s just a Word document, but you can now create your own weekly schedules to whip your family into shape.


**Snow Sports Camps**

Looking for an affordable family holiday to the snow? Sport and Recreation run holiday snow packages from Jul – Sept. Take a break, improve your health and wellbeing, and breathe the fresh mountain air.


**Making School Easier**

Teacher and mum Katherine Bricknell has already helped several of her kids navigate primary, high school and tertiary education, and has some great, practical advice for other parents.


**The sum of us**

Be honest: are you a bit afraid of maths? And are you passing that on to your kids? Maths and science guru Adam Spencer suggests a better approach. (No time to listen to the podcast? The read our at-a-glance summary)


Have a great week,

Stephen Lord

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**125th Anniversary Committee**

Hi Everyone,

Just an update on how things are progressing. We have had another meeting last Tuesday & the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 11th June at 6.30pm in the school library. It was great to see new faces - so please come along. The more we have the more success the celebration day will be.

The cookbook is underway however we are short on recipes. We have now extended the cut off time to 24 May 2013. Please see attached form if you would like to submit & drop into the office. Alternatively you can submit directly to [www.publishedauthors.com.au](http://www.publishedauthors.com.au).

The pavers are also scheduled to commence ordering. Order forms have been sent home with the students this week.

They are however, as per the cookbook, not limited to current families only, but also past families & teachers. So if you know anyone who may be interested, please pass on their details.

Thanks

Lee-Anne Armstrong

125th Anniversary Committee

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**Gold Medal Assembly**

Gold Medal Assembly will be on Tuesday 25th June 2013 at 9.30am.

All Merit Certificates for Principal’s Awards must be to the office by no later than Tuesday 11th June 2013.

All Principal’s Awards must be to the office by no later than Monday 17th June 2013.
Term 2 – Week 4

Uniform Shop

The girls Winter Tunic has currently sold out of size 8, new stock will not be available until Term 3.

The new sports uniform will be available to purchase in Term 4 2013. We will advise you when the cost of these items are available.

The sports uniform will be compulsory to wear as of Term 1 2014.

The cost of the new school hat will be $10 each and will be introduced when the current stock of hats are sold.

Band News

All Band Invoices have now been sent home. Please note that this term is an 8 week program and Invoices have been sent out accordingly. Term 2 Invoices are now due.

TERM 1 FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE!

Canteen

PLEASE NOTE that the new price list has been out for over a term and there will be NO exceptions to the new prices.

Permission Booklet

Majority of the Permission Booklets have now been returned. Thank you to the parents who have returned the booklet already.

THERE ARE STILL A FEW BOOKLETS THAT REMAIN OUTSTANDING!

If you have not returned the booklet to school yet, we require parents/carers to sign and complete it and return it as soon as possible intact.
Mother’s Day Stall

Thirlmere P&C would like to thank the following Mums, Dads & Grandma who helped out with the Mothers Days Stall on Thursday 9th May, without these helpers it would be impossible to sell over 700 gifts to 350+ kids in just over 2 hours, so

THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!

Lisa Williams, Amanda Lee, Belinda Dodd, Lea Blatch, Shannon Apps (thanks for the yummy cupcakes), Eila Diffley, Tim Bennett-Smith, Brett & Debbie Collings, Vanessa Zahra, Lynn Eberhart and Libby Spencer.

Also, Thank you to Charli and Josh from 5/6 G for helping out on the day.

And a big thank you to the families who donated items and cards for the stall, your donations are kindly appreciated by the kids and mums and helps to make the stall a success.

Thanks

Kelli Bennett-Smith

Dollarmites School Banking

The Commonwealth Bank School Banking Co-coordinator has been in contact with the school and informed us that they offer Reward Redemption Days which we will commence this Term. Reward Redemption Day will be held once a Term on the Wednesday of Week 6 each Term. We will remind you of these dates in the lead up to Redemption Day.

This Term, the Reward Redemption Day will be held on Wednesday 5 June 2013 between 8.30am and 9.00am in the Library.

All students that are involved in Dollarmites School Banking can meet me in the Library during the nominated day and time to hand over their Tokens and choose a Reward that they would like.

$$$ HAPPY BANKING $$$

The Power of One

The Power of One anti bullying show, produced by Sorren Bennick Productions, will be visiting our school on Monday 27 May. They will perform two 40-minute performances (K-3, and Years 4-6). The K-3 performance keeps the solution to bullying simple - report! For the 4-6 performance the solution includes:

1. Report
2. Walk the target away
3. Intervene with the bully.

The performance portrays:
1. The roles in bullying (the bully, the target, the bystander).
2. The types of bullying (physical, cyber, exclusion).
3. The types of bystander behaviour (watching, cheering, ignoring).

The Power of One presents a message that children remember - that everyone has the power to report and deal with bullying when they see it.

Please note that the school’s P&C are paying for this program. We would like to acknowledge their support for valued school programs.

LOST SCOOTER AND HELMET

If anyone lost a Scooter and Helmet last Term, please see the ladies in the office.

If the Scooter is not collected by 29 May 2013, the school will donate the Scooter and Helmet to Stewart House.
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School Newsletter

To embrace the technological nature of society, our newsletter is now being delivered by email. In the space provided below, please indicate the email address/es you wish to use to receive the newsletter.

1st Parent/Guardian Email : …………………………………………………………………………

2nd Parent/Guardian Email : …………………………………………………………………………

3rd Parent/Guardian Email : …………………………………………………………………………

School Newsletter

In some households there is a need for a second report to be sent to another parent not permanently residing with the student.

Reports go home at the end of Semester One and Semester Two.

If you require a second report, please provide us with the following details.

Name:_____________________________________
Address:____________________________________
Relationship:_________________________________
Email address:_________________________________

If you have any updated Court Orders/AVO’s that you have not provided to the school yet, could you please
Thornton Bros

The school would like to thank Thornton Bros Flowers who are kindly donating a bunch of flowers to the school each fortnight to help beautify our office area.

FiT Mums Group Training

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Enquiries: Charlene Crocker: 0417 483931 or
Jenny Cheetham: 0418 265 416

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