Newsletter

Term 4, Week 9

Tuesday 6th December 2016



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✓ Excellence

✓ Integrity

√ Resilience

Principal's Message

It's a special week at Cardiff South this week with three important events taking place. First we have acknowledged today, those many fabulous parent and community helpers that have volunteered in our school in some capacity this year. Their assistance is highly valued and crucial to the operation of our school. I thank every one of them that has helped out this year and hope that you have enjoyed 'helping' as much as we've enjoyed having you! I hope that many of you are free to do it all again in 2017?

Next, we pause tomorrow to celebrate our students' many achievements at our annual Presentation Day Assembly. It's been a busy year both inside and outside the classroom in 2016 and there is much to celebrate. Please join us if you can.

Finally on Thursday, we will be hosting our first ever 'Colour Run' as a means of raising funds to support one of our own - Harry Bowdern and his family. Our aim is to provide some desperately needed financial support at a difficult time for the family. We hope to not only make celebrating Christmas possible, but also make a contribution to help with easing the financial pressure that has built as a result of Harry being in hospital and his Father, David going without an income during this period.

Some things to note in relation to our 'Helping Hand for Harry' day:

- Students are encouraged to come to school 'out of uniform'. It is best to wear older or disposable clothing. Under normal circumstances the powder used doesn't stain, however it can leave a light coloured wash over items of clothing. Hats are a must
- Students are also encouraged to bring sunglasses or protective eyewear. Again, the powder is non-toxic and organic and has been designed to be thrown directly onto people, but some students may prefer not to get it in their eyes in case or irritation. The powder will be aimed below the shoulders, this is just a precaution
- Parents are invited to attend and are welcome to join your child for the colour run if you wish (again take note of advice about clothing and eyewear). The only cost to parents is that we are asking for a gold coin donation when you come through the gate (regardless of whether you choose to run or not)
- Students and parents must have pre-ordered to receive their BBQ sausage sandwich and drink
- We will start with lunch at 1.10pm and there will be two colour runs, one for K-2 and one for 3-6 with an estimated starting time of 2:00pm for the first
- Tea, coffee and light refreshments will be available for purchase from the canteen throughout the afternoon
- At the conclusion of the colour run, the P&C will draw their mega Christmas Raffle!

Unfortunately, the Teachers Federation stop work meeting scheduled to take place on Thursday between 8:30-10:15 was announced after we had made plans and sent home notes. We hope that despite families needing to make alternative arrangements due to Minimal Supervision during this stop work meeting, that ALL students will still come to school and join us to 'Help Harry'!

Have a terrific week! David Holland

Congratulations Students of the Week!

Term 4 Week 8 **Junior Student** Award



James Eggenhuizen K Gold

Senior Student Award



Cory Vizintin 5/6 Ruby

| <u>Monday</u> | <u>Tuesday</u> | Wednesday | <u>Thursday</u> | <u>Friday</u> |
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| Wk 9. 5.12 | 6.12 | 7.12 | 8.12 | 9.12 |
| | Parent helper morning tea -11am library | Presentation Day- 9.30am | A Helping Hand for Harry- 1pm | |
| | Yr 6 Orientation - CHS | Reports to go home | Christmas raffle draw 2.45pm | |
| Wk 10. 12.12 | 13.12 | 14.2 | 15.2 | 16.2 |
| Year 6 Farewell- 5.30pm | W-League visit Yr 4 and 5 girls | Class Party Day | | Students last day of school for 2016 |
| | | | | Clap out 2.40pm |
| TERM 1 Week 1- 23.1 | 24.1 | 25.1 | 26.1 | 27.1 Staff return for 2017 |
| TERM 1 Week 2- 30.1 Years 1-6 students return | 31.1 | 1.2 Kindergarten begin | 2.2 | 3.2 3-6 Swimming Carnival |
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Finalising Outstanding Payments

With only a week and a half remaining of the school year, all outstanding school payments are now **OVERDUE**. It is important that these payments are finalised before the end of the school year. If your family is experiencing difficulty and is unable to address outstanding money owed, please make an appointment to discuss your circumstances with Mr Holland.

Final Day of 2016

Parents are advised that the final day of the 2016 school year is Friday 16th December. School will commence in 2017 for all students in Years 1-6 on **Monday**, **30th January**.

Presentation Day 2016

A final reminder that our school's annual Presentation Day assembly is planned to commence at 9:30am **tomorrow** in the school hall. It will be a great opportunity to celebrate many of our student's successes throughout the 2016 school year and parents and friends are invited to attend. Please note that although Presentation Day is about our students and their achievements, we will also be using this assembly to acknowledge the great work of Mrs Deb Arthurs and offer our thanks and gratitude for her service to Cardiff South over a number of years.

Second hand uniforms

Just a reminder that our office staff manage second hand uniform stock to assist families in need. As we come to the end of the school year, if there are any families that are leaving the school, or that children heading to high school — we would welcome donations of school uniform items that are still in good condition with plenty of wear left in them. If you have items that you would like to donate, please wash them and hand them in at our office. Your generosity is appreciated.

Stop work meeting

The NSW Teachers Federation has announced it will hold a stop work meeting of school teachers and non-school based Teaching Service (OCAA) members on Thursday 8 December 2016 (parents and carers should have received a letter containing further details yesterday). Staff from our school will be involved in the stop work meeting from 8:30am till 10:15am. Parents are advised that there will only be **MINIMAL SUPERVISION** for children at school between 8.30am and 10:15am, on this day.

Normal lessons will resume at 10:15am.

Library Books

Just a reminder that all library books were due to be returned last week. Any books from the library that students still have at home are now **OVERDUE.** We'd appreciate if families could ensure that all library books are returned asap.

Newcastle Jets W-League Session

On Tuesday 13th December, girls from Year 4 and 5 will have the opportunity to participate in a visit by players from the Newcastle Jets W-League squad. We are entering a girls' team in the PSSA State Knockout Competition in 2017 for the first time and see this as an opportunity for the girls to begin showing an interest. The session will take place from 9:00-10:30am in the school hall and COLA.

Two W-League players will host the session and talk to students about their experience within football, healthy eating and the benefits of exercise. The players will demonstrate some skills and ask a few students to participate in some small activities.

Each attendee will receive an online code to gain two free tickets to the next Jets Westfield W-League/A League double header.

As this is an event taking place inside the school free of charge there will not be a permission note, but if you **DO NOT** wish for your child to attend can you please send in a note to Mr Jardine before Friday 9th December.

Payment Changes for 2017

The department has recommended changes to the way payments are to be received in schools. As of 2017, credit card slips will no longer be provided on permission notes or term statements. If you wish to use credit card for payments, the card must be presented at the office and processed while you wait; we are also unable to take credit card payments over the phone. Whilst our office staff have always been diligent in following auditing processes, we believe this new direction will even further ensure your privacy is protected whilst making payments for school expenses.

Mid way through this year, we introduced you to the 'Parent Online Payment' system as a payment option for school related expenses. This option can be accessed through the school's website under the 'Make a payment' tab or through the Skoolbag app under 'Parent Info' – 'Make a Payment'. Gradually, more and more parents are taking advantage of this convenient and efficient tool to make payments. If using this system, please ensure you send the permission note in to the office with your receipt number, paying adult's name and date of payment.

Payment Reminders

Class Party Day is scheduled for next Wednesday 14th December. In order to participate, where applicable students must have returned their permission note and money by this Friday the 9th December.

Also, our school's annual swimming carnival is scheduled to take place in the first week of the 2017 school year. To avoid a short turn around at the beginning of the new year, we have sent home notes containing the details of the swimming carnival. It would assist us greatly with the organisation of this event, if payment and permission notes could be returned before the 14th December.

Getting to know..... Kynan Jobson



Class: 1 Aqua

Favourite TV show: ABC ME

What do you do for fun: Play Soccer

Brothers and sisters: 2 brothers Connor and Zayb

Favourite food: Pepperoni pizza

What do you love about school:

Art

| W | Happy Birthday | | | | | |
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| 7 | Brodie Conrades | K/1Green | 8 th December | | | |
| 6 | Larni Andrews | K/1 Green | 8 th December | | | |
| 11 | Ashleigh Higgins | 5/6 Jade | 9 th December | | | |
| 10 | Shannon Spence | 4 White | 9 th December | | | |
| 8 | Dakota Sherry | 2 Orange | 9 th December | | | |
| 5 | Grace Pearson | Kangaroos | 11 th December | | | |
| 9 | Mitchell Arnott | 3 Purple | 11 th December | | | |

| Canteen | Roster |
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Wednesday 7 Friday 9 Monday 12

Maxine Howe Kay Carroll Lisa Jones

Sue Werner Donna Wise Leah Luck

Michelle Davies

Sandra Windred





GARDEN MAKE-OVER!

















Year 2's Garden

I feel so happy now because when Year 2 came to the garden for the first time, people were being mean to each other. Now, everyone is kind and nice and I hope it is always going to be a happy and friendly place forever. We have been working together and have been creative and caring. This is the best thing in the world and an awesome place to be in. It makes me so happy.



Eva, 2 Blue



Science



Collaboration

Design

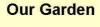






Cooperation







2 Orange and 2 Blue have been working in the garden. We have been working in different groups, and my group has been making a fairy garden.

We are building the fairy garden with pavers, sticks, woodchip and little rocks. My group of friends are Dakota, Ella, Vanessa and Madelyne.

The woodchip went inside the house and the rocks went outside for the fence. We also have made a path and a mailbox.

It was really hard work in the garden. Ella did some raking and I put pavers on one by one. Vanessa made a balcony. We were all impressed with it.

I really enjoyed working in the garden and I think it looks amazing.

Jazzlin, 2 Orange