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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & TRAINING

From Mrs. Jenkins' desk

Dear Parents

I was delighted to hear about the excellent behaviour and great times that Stage 3 had at camp. I was even more thrilled to hear they were all so exhausted from a very busy schedule that all cabins were asleep by 9:30pm every night. The sailing, canoeing, BMX, rock climbing, dancing, singing and the giant swing proved to be a fantastic experience for our students and it was great to see Mrs Sarafoski, Mrs Kovacs, Mrs O'Brien and Miss Mackie taking part along with the students. A special thank you must go to our staff who were on duty 24 hours a day to give our students this great experience.

Our students are learning about the importance of Respect and we take part in the "White Ribbon Day" activities. This year Mr Ryan organised a "men's breakfast" where 14 dads attended along with our local member Mark Coure. This is the beginning of our conversation and next year we plan to take our activities further. It is important our students see their fathers active in the school and that we teach our boys about the importance of stopping violence against women. We expect all our students to be respectful to each other at all times.

As student safety was an issue in the parking chaos of Wattle St in the afternoon, Hurstville Council has finally agreed to making one side of the street a No Stopping zone. I would like to thank our School Council who campaigned for this and for the crossing supervisor in Scott St. This makes traffic around our school much safer for our students.

Our girls OzTag team played in the finals last week. All of the games were very close however they did not make the grand final. The girls showed great skill and sportsmanship and were well coached by Mr Entwistle. Well done girls!

Mrs Scanlan had a huge farewell from students, parents and staff and has now gone on maternity leave. We wish her well and Mrs McIntosh will be teaching KJ till the end of the year.

Teachers are now busy writing reports and these will go home on Friday 7th December. Don't miss our end of year BBQ and disco on the 10th December. There will be a combined Scripture service on Thursday 6th December. K-2 will be at 11:45 and 3-6 at 12:20pm. Parents are invited to this service.

If you know you will be late back to school next year or will be leaving Penshurst West it is important you notify the office in writing. This is a school audit requirement.

Keep watching our school calendar as we have numerous events planned to celebrate the end of a great year of learning.
Thank you for your support.

Merrilyn Jenkins
Principal

CALENDAR UPDATES

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 28th

- Year 6 Fun Day (at school)

DECEMBER

Tuesday 4th

- Green Mufti Day

Wednesday 5th

- Yr 6 Orientation Day

Thursday 6th

- Combined Scripture Assembly
- Helper thank you lunch

Monday 10th

- Whole school disco from 5.30pm

Tuesday 11th

- Presentation Assembly at Peakhurst HS (WHOLE SCHOOL) from midday-2.30pm

Thursday 13th

- Years 3-6 to Aquatic Centre

Monday 17th

- Yr 6 Farewell at Masonic Club

Wednesday 19th

- K-2 Excursion to movies
- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

JANUARY 2013

Wednesday 30th

- Students return to school for 2013

CANTEEN CRUNCH

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered in the canteen this year, we could not have had it open so many days without you. We will be having a clean up day—if you are able to help—on Thursday 13th December between 9.30—11.30am.

**Last day for canteen lunch orders will be Wednesday 12th December.
Canteen closed on 11th December for Presentation day.**

TERM 4—NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

Tuesday 27th: Sophie Barclay & Rielle Bullivant

Wednesday 28th: Bec Harrison & Mirvat Khedr

Friday 30th: Bec Harrison & Margaret Hooper

Monday 3rd: Shayesteh Sadeghpour

Wednesday 5th: Sandy Xu

Monday 10th: Jade Pemberton

Tuesday 4th: Sophie Barclay

Friday 7th: Kerry Coleman & Rachel Hornby

Wednesday 12th: Bec Harrison

ADVICE FROM SCHOOL COUNCIL REGARDING THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

The P & C and School Council have worked really hard to get our “Lollypop Lady” in Scott St but unfortunately some children & parents are not using it but crossing just a few metres down the street. Please set a good example for the children and cross at the crossing. It is a safety issue that students and parents should use the crossing when coming to school.

On Friday a council parking inspector was in Scott St giving people advice & warnings about parking in the “kiss and drop” zone. Unfortunately some people were quite rude to her so she has advised us that there will be no more warnings but will just be taking your photo and you will get a fine. There is a fine and a loss of 2 points from your licence.



Year 6 ‘Fun Day’ Wednesday 28th November, 11:45am-1:00pm

Each year the Year 6 students hold a **Fun Day/Mufti Day** in order to raise money to purchase a gift for the school. In the past, the students have purchased fixed picnic seating, umbrellas and a video camera. This year the students want to raise lots of money for the school gift and they need your help.

The Year Six students will be organising drink stalls, hair spraying, nail polishing, face painting, games and lots more exciting events! **This Wednesday we would like the students from Kindergarten to Year Five to pay a gold coin donation for mufti and bring along lots of spare change so that they can participate in this fun filled day. Activities range from 50 cents to \$2.**

If you are going on holidays over the Christmas break and will not be back at school for the beginning of 2013 school year, please let the office know as soon as possible so that we can keep your child enrolled.

Merry
Christmas

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the cost of a gold coin at the gate!
Come dressed in your favourite Christmas outfit.
(Please enter at Scott Street)

Date: Monday 10th December 2012
Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Sausage sizzle, chicken kebabs, drinks, lollies for sale.

Hope to see everyone there!!

