Principal's Report

**Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held in Week 9, starting Monday 23rd March. Like last year, each class will be allocated a day where these interviews will take place. Classes are as follows:

Yr 6 – Mr Turner, Thursday 19th March
K/1 – Miss Tolhurst, Monday 23rd March
Yr 4 – Mrs Hunt/Mrs Perez, Tuesday 24th March
1/2 – Mrs Hilton/Mrs Serafin, Wednesday 25th March
3/4C – Miss Condon, Wednesday 25th March
Yr 5 – Miss Errey, Thursday 26th March

Notes have started going home, asking for the most convenient time for parents. Please complete this form and return it to your child’s classroom teacher as soon as possible so a timetable can be organised. If you cannot attend the interview on this day, please indicate if you would like a phone interview or an appointment at another time.

**Ride Safely to School Day**

The Ride2School Program is year-round and is designed to make riding, walking, skating and scooting the normal mode of transport for students across Australia. It works with families and communities to encourage students to ride, walk, skate or scoot to school.

National Ride2School Day is this Friday 13 March 2015 and encourages active travel within school communities. The day celebrates those who already actively travel to school and encourages those who don’t know how to start. Be aware however, if your child is 10 years or under, a supervising adult is required to supervise the trip to and from school and a helmet is required at all times.

There will also be a bike obstacle course set up on Friday for students to test their skills. This will be a fully supervised activity happening throughout the day.

Facebook

As you may be aware, the school has an official Facebook page. This will allow us another avenue for the transfer of information and to celebrate all things that are happening at our school. There are still a couple of ‘settings’ issues we have with regard to the page being visible for parents who do not have a Facebook account. These are being worked on and hopefully fixed soon.

Please make sure you have returned the Permission to Publish form as children without this approval cannot be placed on our newsletter, website or Facebook page. Thank you to those parents who have returned these forms.

Goodfellas

Year 5 and 6 boys have the opportunity to attend a fabulous ‘all boys’ full-day workshop which incorporates programs to help transform young boys into thinking, confident young men. This will take place on Wednesday 25th March.

Topics discussed during the presentation will include the disengagement from school, the pressure to look a certain way, feeling like they cannot express the full range of emotions, fall outs with their mates, limiting gender stereotypes... all are issues plaguing our boys.

Permission notes were sent home last week. If you would like your child to attend, please returned the note and money to the office before Friday 20th March.

Year 6 to 7, 2016

All students in Year 6 will receive Expression of Interest forms this week relating to the High School they will be attending in 2016. If your child is not going to a local public high school, you will still need to fill out these forms and return them, stating what school you intend to send your child. If you are planning to send your child to an ‘out of zone’ school, please document this on the forms as a matter of process. All Expression of Interest forms
need to be returned to our front office by Monday 16th March.

**Public speaking**
Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child’s next speech a success. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/public-speaking-in-primary-school

**Removing Head Lice and Nits**
Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they’re not dangerous. Here’s everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits

Our P&C AGM will be held tomorrow night in the library, commencing at 7:00pm. Please feel welcome to attend.

Have a great week.

Derek Noffke
Principal

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**Meet our new Kindergarten Students**

**Name**
Kate Horley

**Age**
5

**What do you like about school**
We get to play on the equipment – it’s fun. In the classroom, I like writing, counting and learning lots of new things.

**What do you want to do when you grow up**
I want to be a teacher.

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**Uniform Shop**
The Uniform Shop will be open each Friday fortnight on our Assembly week. Please see Belinda Hopwood for any information.

**Yr 6 Excursion**
A reminder to please return your deposit, medical and permission notes ASAP.

**Yenda Diggers Club BBQ**
St. Patricks Day BBQ this Sunday 15th March 2015, from 5pm.
- Members: $5.00
- Kids: $2.00 (12yrs and under)
- Non-Members: $10.00
Games for the kids.
Dress in green if you’re keen.
Bookings appreciated by Friday 13th 2015, 6968 1055.

**Chocolate Fundraiser**
Yr 3 Fundraising committee are organising a chocolate fundraising event again this year, just in time for Easter. To keep with the Easter theme, we have ordered boxes that contain small chocolate eggs. These should be very popular. Please support our school by collecting a box or alternatively having a box sent home.
I give permission for ___________________ to collect a box of chocolates for sale
- Variety Pack $1.00
- Easter Eggs bag $4.00
- Freddo $1.00
Parent Signature ____________________________

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**Tuesday 10th March**
P&C AGM & meeting. Library 7:00pm.

**Friday 13th March**
Ride Safely to School Day

**Friday 20th March**
K-6Assembly, Yr4 item
Harmony Day

**Monday 23rd March**
Parent/Teacher interviews commence
**Classroom Tissues**
Could each child please provide their teacher with a box of tissues. Allergy, cold and flu will soon be upon us and the students are always looking for a tissue. Thank you.

**Library News**
Thank you to everyone who has been returning their books each week. “Weekly returns” is a great habit to develop in young readers!
Remember Library Days are:
Kinder/Yr1 - Tuesday 2-3pm
Yr 1/2 – Monday 2-3pm
Yr 3/4C - Wednesday 11.50-12.10pm
Yr 4 – Wednesday 12-1pm
Yr 5 – Tuesday 12-1pm
Yr6 – Monday 12-1pm
Remember you can also change your books during lunch time Library time each Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday at 1.30pm

Mrs Sue Chilvers
Teacher – Librarian

**National Ride2School Day 2015**
As part of our Active Schools program we are again participating in the annual Ride2School Day on Friday 13th March. We encourage as many students as possible to ride, scoot, skate or walk to school this Friday.

At lunchtime on Friday we will hold a bike rodeo where students will compete in events such as the bike slalom and scooting amongst other activities.

Please encourage your child / children to be active and to participate in the day.

Students please remember to obey all road rules and we will have a safe fun day.