



On The Grapevine

A quality education in a caring, innovative environment

October 2014 (Issue 1)

Welcome back for what will certainly be a busy Term 4. Please see the calendar on the last page of this newsletter which has events/dates confirmed for term 4.

Gymnastics in term 4

The 8 week Gymnastics program for all students Preschool – Year 6 commenced on Friday 10 October. The students are enjoying the activities and will develop an excellent range of physical skills. Parents are asked to pay only \$1 a lesson per child as the P&C and school are each contributing over \$1500 towards the cost.

Year 6 campers will receive a make-up lesson.

REPS: Leading the way

The Cumberland Community Connection (CCC) made up of several local primary schools and Cumberland HS (CHS) is currently involved in a rich mathematics task for stage 3 students culminating in a Sports Gala Day next term at CHS.

This collaboration was initiated by REPS and CHS and our very own Maths consultant, *Mr Mitchell King*, developed the challenging and exciting rich task. Video conferences have been held to ensure all the students had the opportunity to ask questions, clarify and discuss the task.

Watch this space for some student reports on how they took up the challenge and the final results.

Year 6 Camp

We welcomed back our year 6 students after their 3 day camp at Brewongle Environmental Education Centre on the Hawkesbury River at Sackville. They eagerly participated in lots of outdoor activities including an environmental 'who dunnit', boomerang throwing, team building activities, a bushwalk and a camp fire with marshmallows. Congratulations to Year 6 - your enthusiasm and knowledge of bird species impressed the camp teachers.



Thanks to Mrs Barber and Mrs Chahal for transporting, cooking and accompanying our students and to Mr & Mrs Shah and Mr Garrett for transporting students enabling a low cost excursion.

A huge thank you also to the wonderful Mrs Coker and Mrs Chapman for accompanying and supervising the campers and functioning on less sleep than usual!



Student Wellbeing

Congratulations to the following students on achieving Principal's Awards:

Bronze Level 1: *Chris, Mauro*

Bronze Level 3: *Kobi*

OOSH update

A panel of school, community and Department of Education and Communities (DEC) representatives met on Monday to select the successful tender for our OOSH.

I hope to announce more details of REPS OOSH as soon as all the relevant paperwork has been completed.

- ✓ Opening on Day 1 of Term 1 2015,
- ✓ Hours of operation are 6.30am – 8.30am and 2.55pm -6pm each day
- ✓ Will provide quality service at an affordable price for our community

Family energy rebate

Could you be eligible for a rebate of up to \$250 on your energy accounts?

Information is available from the office should you want to check if you qualify

2015 enrolments

Each year I have to submit the anticipated enrolment number for the next school year. This is to allow for a staffing allocation for the commencement of the new year and is adjusted when necessary several weeks into Term 1. This year we received an extra teacher allocation based on our numbers.

We understand families may move out of the area and need to change schools. Please contact me if you know you are not returning next year so we can draft classes and submit anticipated numbers as accurately as possible.

Kindy orientation

Our kindy orientation day is Tuesday 21 October at 9.15am in the Kindergarten room. We look forward to welcoming families of Kindergarten 2015 students. Representatives of the P&C and Uniform shop will provide valuable information.

Preschool Orientation

Preschool orientation days are:
Thursday 23 October 9:30 to 11am
Tuesday 28 October 9:30 to 11am
In the Preschool (Block F)

P&C

Please note the changes in dates for our P&C meetings this term.
The AGM is on 27 October at 6.30pm in the staff room and the last meeting of the year is on Monday 24 November at 6.30pm in the staff room.

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Keryn Hinchcliffe

Principal
20 October 2014

Dates For Your Diary

21 October	Kindy Orientation Day
22 October	Youth Eco Summit
23 October	Preschool Orientation Day (Thurs/Fri)
24 October	Bennelong table tennis tournament
27 October	P&C meeting AGM 6.30pm in Admin block
28 October	Preschool Orientation Day (Mon, Tues, Wed)



Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winners:



Abdul	Caleb	Ahmad	Lucy G	Keira
Abby	Antwione	Jaylah	Asiya	

In the classroom....

From Farm to Table

On Wednesday, students in 3/5 H and 4/5B cooked fried rice incorporating eggs laid by our own school chickens! All hands were on deck to peel, chop, slice and dice a variety of nutritious, colourful vegetables.

Do your children say "Yuk" when you serve vegetables? Try involving them in the preparation and cooking process and you may be surprised. All children were eager to sample the results of their hard work and were requesting second helpings. Nothing went to waste! Even the vegetable peelings were sent to the Preschool to feed the chickens and we look forward to more eggs for future cooking activities.

Mrs Brown and Mrs Hungerford



Farm to table



Cancer Council NSW Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to add fruit and veg to brekky

Try our winning breakfast ideas at home:

- Serve your toast with a sliced avocado and/or tomato
- Create a breakfast pizza with a wholegrain muffin, mashed pumpkin, chopped veggies and melted cheese
- Blend bananas and frozen raspberries with a handful of baby spinach, add a cup of reduced fat milk, honey and unprocessed bran for a fruit smoothie
- Simply slice some banana or strawberries onto your regular breakfast cereal

For more information visit www.eatitbeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatitbeatit

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Western Sydney Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.

NSW Health Western Sydney Local Health District

Eat It To Beat It

Community events

Come along to the next
P&C meeting
which will be the AGM
Monday 27 October
6.30pm in the Admin
block
All welcome

Term 4 2014

Rydalmere East PS

T 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/ SUN
W e e k 1	6 October Public Holiday	7 October	8 October	9 October	10 October	11 12 Oct
2	13 October	14 October <i>School photos</i>	15 October <i>Year 6 camp</i>	16 October <i>School photos</i> <i>Year 6 camp</i> <i>Assembly 1.55pm</i>	17 October <i>Year 6 camp</i>	18 19 Oct
3	20 October	21 October <i>Kindy orientation day</i>	22 October <i>Youth Eco Summit</i>	23 October <i>Preschool orientation</i>	24 October <i>Bennelong table tennis</i>	25 26 Oct
4	27 October <i>P&C AGM</i>	28 October <i>Preschool orientation</i>	29 October <i>Haunted house – year 6 fundraiser</i>	30 October <i>Assembly 1.55pm</i>	31 October	1 2 Nov
5	3 November	4 November	5 November	6 November	7 November	8 9 Nov
6	10 November	11 November	12 November	13 November <i>Gala day at Cumberland HS Video conference – birds in schools Assembly 1.55pm</i>	14 November	15 16 Nov
7	17 November	18 November	19 November <i>Repstravaganza</i>	20 November	21 November	22 23 Nov
8	24 November <i>P&C meeting</i>	25 November	26 November	27 November <i>Assembly 1.55pm</i>	28 November	29 30 Nov
9	1 December	2 December	3 December <i>Year 6 farewell</i>	4 December	5 December	6 7 Dec
10	8 December	9 December <i>Presentation Day</i>	10 December	11 December <i>Assembly 1.55pm</i>	12 December	13 14 Dec
11	15 December <i>Reports sent home</i>	16 December <i>Fun Day</i>	17 December	18 December <i>SDD</i>	19 December <i>SDD</i>	20 21 Dec

Students (years 1 to 6) resume Wednesday 28 January 2015

Kindergarten starts Monday 2 February 2015