



On The Grapevine

A quality education in a caring, innovative environment

November 2016 (Issue 2)

Repstravaganza

- Wednesday 23 November
- All students to arrive by 6:10pm and meet on K/2 veranda
- Performance begins at 6:30pm in the school hall
- Entry \$2 per person including children

Remembrance Day 2016

On Friday morning the whole school gathered to remember those who died or suffered in wars and conflicts throughout the world. Bowie, Morgan, Levi and Oscar skilfully led the school through a solemn ceremony including the laying of a wreath and observing a minutes silence at 11am before raising the flags to signify the end of the ceremony.



Newsflash: There will be no assembly in week 8 due to a performance by the Cumberland High School Band.

Our last assembly will be on 15 December at 1:55pm

Bennelong Cup Table Tennis

This week Jade, Ethan, Charlotte and Jack competed in the annual Bennelong Cup Table Tennis Competition.

They competed enthusiastically and with good sportsmanship. Our students have benefited by having weekly table tennis lessons using the new table tennis tables. John Alexander MP was there to watch some of the games and to encourage children to be active, as he said that the number of children participating in sport is decreasing.

It was an enjoyable day mixing with other school children and also seeing how talented some of the children were.

Thank you so much to Mrs Garcia for providing transport to the event.



P&C meeting – change of date

The final P&C meeting for 2016 has been brought forward to Monday 21 November at 6.30pm in the staff room. Please join us for the end of year wrap up and planning for an exciting new year.

Repstravaganza

The staff and students are very excited about their RESTRAVAGANZA performances. We hope you can join us on Wednesday night for our showcase of student talent! Teachers will be on duty at 6:10pm for the arrival of the students. Doors open at 6:15pm.

Working With Children Check

If you are a volunteer at our school either in the classroom or for the P&C, you are required to have a Working With Children Check completed and provide a copy to our school office to keep on file. It is a simple process and as a volunteer is free. Your children are our first priority and this is just one measure we take to ensure this. To access the forms required, please go to the following website. Once you have completed the form online you must submit it online, then present at a Motor Registry Office with your Application Number.

Our closest Motor Registry is located at 1-15 River Street, Silverwater

<http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check/apply/apply>

- Click on the green 'Apply for your Check'

- Click 'Continue and apply'

- Complete the form pages as required:

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-Record your Application Number. Take this to the Motor Registry, along with your **proof of identity**. As a volunteer, you will not need to pay a fee.

Alternatively, an informative youtube clip can be located at the following address. This will guide you through the application process: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HmfvQWrqMZk> Upon receiving your WWC Check Number, please provide a copy to the office.

What kind of knives are prohibited at school? School policy is designed to keep all students safe, and so no type of knife is allowed at school. That means no butter knives or fruit knives in lunchboxes, or knife tools for craft purposes. ■■Flick knives, ballistic knives, sheath knives, push daggers, trench knives, butterfly knives, star knives are all prohibited.■■ Your child cannot bring to school any item that can be used as a weapon (such as a chisel).

Student Wellbeing

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

Silver Level 1: Kobe, Adem

Silver Level 2: Farhad

Bronze Level 1: Ahmad, Jaylah, Antonious, Joshua R

Bronze Level 2: Caleb, Renee, Keira

Bronze Level 3: HyunJu

Principal's Playground Hero Awards

James: for solving a playground problem by demonstrating and explaining what really happened

Keira: for calmly helping an injured student

Kayla: for demonstrating initiative and leadership to entertain class 1B

Rawda: for demonstrating initiative and leadership to entertain class 1B

Jayden: for being an upstander

Mohammad: for inviting a student on her own to join his game

Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winners:



Japreet

Kristy

Hayley

Logan H

Keryn Hinchcliffe

Principal

18 November 2016

Dates for your Diary

21 November	P&C meeting (note change of date)6.30pm
23 November	Repstravaganza (6.30pm)
28 November	K-2 Literacy day @ George Kendall Park
1 December	Cumberland HS band visit (1.30pm)
5 December	K-2 Science day @ George Kendall Park
6 December	Dept of Education High School Orientation Day
6 December	Prefect speeches
8 December	Year 6 farewell
9 December	Rewards Day
12 December	Presentation Day (note change of date)
14 December	Fun Day
15 December	Repsfactor
15 December	Last assembly for 2016
16 December	Last day term 4
30 January	Years 1-6 Students resume for Term 1 2017

Please note the change in date for the P&C meeting – now to be held on 21 November at 6:30pm in the Administration building (Block L). All parents and community members are welcome to attend.



OOSH news

Dear families

Over the past 2 weeks at Helping Hands the children have been participating in a variety of cultural events including Halloween, Diwali, Remembrance Day. The children are able to use the opportunities to learn from each other and to develop understandings about the diversity of culture, heritage, background and tradition. The primary children are able to help teach the children in infants and share ideas as a group as well as research information to help with there understanding.

In the service we have our very own Christmas hamper box which we have started where families can donate non - perishable items to and once full Melissa will be giving it to the Salvation Army. The children have been discussing with Melissa how some families may find it difficult over Christmas to afford to have a wonderful lunch so we want to make someone's Christmas more easier and help support our community.

If you are looking to enrol for next year or would like to add some extra days please come and speak to Melissa or you can contact her on:

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Melissa

School Holiday Performance Workshop

January 16th to 20th 2017

In REPS hall

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from Rhubarb Jam

www.rhubarbjam.com.au/book-online/