PRINCIPAL REPORT

KINDERGARTEN, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 ASSEMBLY

Last Tuesday I attended the first K-2 Assembly for the year. It was a great occasion with students being presented with their hard earned Principal Awards. Students from KR recited a scary poem about Monsters and 1/2K sang an Alphabet song. It was great to see so many parents at this Assembly, especially designed for young students.

PARENT AND STUDENT SAFETY

I would like to remind parents that they should not be walking through the staff car park. This is a very dangerous activity because the staff car park is also the main delivery point for school and canteen supplies. Students are prohibited from walking through this area and I remind parents and visitors to our school not to walk through the car park.

PRINCIPALS AWARDS

Presently we have students across the school who are working towards receiving their first Principal’s Award and some students who have already received their first. Congratulations to everyone!

PARENT “TAKE THE BULL OUT OF BULLYING” WORKSHOP

This Wednesday at 1.45 pm, Dr Patty Rose will be holding a special parents’ session on equipping your child to recognise and be resilient in the face of bullying. It is important to understand that bullying has serious consequences in the lives of children and adults and we all need to have strategies to overcome and prevent bullying.

MID YEAR REPORTS

Teachers are working hard at the moment finalising your child’s mid-year report. Some classes have undertaken extensive assessment tasks, while others have conducted continuous assessment strategies. Our school will assess each student across a range of subjects using the NSW A-E Scale. Information concerning this scale will form part of your child’s report and I encourage you to read the explanation before reviewing your child’s report. Reports are due to be sent home on Friday, 22 June 2012.

Did You Know…..

In 1890 male teachers were paid between £20 and £40 per year and female teachers between £15 and £30. The days were long and teachers were expected to provide an additional one and a half hours instruction at the end of each school day, for which they did not receive any additional payment.

At break times, and before and after school, children were marched in and out of the classroom.

Lessons were very regimented and concentrated on the three R’s. Boys were instructed in woodwork and girls in sewing and cooking. Singing classes were very popular and part of each day was spent singing and reciting poetry.

History, geography, nature study, mapping and rote learning was the most common form of learning. Discussion between students in the classroom was not encouraged and Mr Byrnes was a strict disciplinarian.

The cane was used for any insubordination!

The three R’s – ‘reading, riting and rhythmic’

Christopher Connor
Helensburgh Public School
125th Anniversary Year
Important Dates to Remember

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Spare Clothing
Please ensure children have spare clothing in their school bags as unfortunately we have run out of spare clothing. If your child has come home wearing borrowed clothes, could you please wash and return them as soon as possible.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
The school is participating in this program in 2012. If you shop at Woolworths and would like a sticker card they are available from the office.

Gymsports
Gymsports were unable to provide their lessons on Monday 21st May due to having sick staff. These lessons will be made up on Wednesday 13th June. Students in K/1G, 1M, 1C, 2H, 1/2K, 2S and 2/3M should wear sports uniform on this day. Please note that KB, KF, KR and KD will have their Gymsports lessons as usual on Tuesday 12th June.

SRC
The SRC met last week to discuss the new parliamentary model we will be using this year. We will meet again next week when children will be allocated their portfolios. This is an exciting time for the SRC. Look out for future notices about our progress.

Debating
Debating has had to be moved to Monday lunchtimes to allow for PSSA sport on Friday. It’s great to see so many students keen to participate. We have lots to learn before we compete against other schools next term so make sure you turn up to the library with your lunch when the first lunch bell sounds.

PSSA Results

**Soccer**
- Senior vs Marton: 3-4 loss
- Junior vs Marton: 3-1 win

**Netball**
- Senior A vs Marton: 0-14 loss
- Senior B vs Marton: 7-4 win
- Junior A vs Marton: 0-9 loss
- Junior B vs Illawong: 2-1 win

**Oztag**
- Senior Girls vs Engadine: 9-2 win
- Senior Boys vs Engadine West: 2-7 loss
- Junior Girls vs Engadine West: 6-1 win
- Junior Girls vs Marton: 1-6 loss
- Junior Boys vs Marton: 2-4 loss

**Hockey**
- Senior Girls vs Marton: 3-3 draw
- Senior Boys vs Engadine West: 3-3 draw
- Junior Girls vs Marton: 0-5 loss
- Junior Boys vs Marton: 0-15 loss

Library News

**New Library Times**
To accommodate debating in the library, the library will be closed on Monday at lunchtime. We will open at Friday lunchtime instead.

**New Books**
The commission books from our book fair are starting to make their way onto the shelves. Make sure you check out the new book shelves next time you’re in the library.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**
Don’t forget to keep reading your PRC books and entering them onto your online reading record.
Anyone who needs help with this can come and see me in the library.

Mr McQueen
Teacher Librarian

This school is a peanut/nut aware environment.
For our childrens safety, no peanuts/ nut products, please!
125 Anniversary Fete, 15 September 2012
Our 125 Anniversary Fete may not be until September, but planning ahead will help our fabulous class stalls prepare and present you with an irresistible array of goodies! 2S will be hosting the Country stall, with fresh produce and homemade crafts. If you are a dab hand at crocheting, knitting, sewing, decoupage — any of those crafty things that many of us would like to do but can’t, and so must buy - please consider making and donating some items to the 2S class stall. Don’t forget jams, pickles and chutneys for the Country stall too! We’re also still collecting books for 3J and your old treasures for Mrs McPherson’s White Elephant stall, so keep bringing them in, and thanks for your support for our fete and our school.
If you have any questions about the anniversary fete and how you can help, please contact Gina (nhork@yahoo.com) or Sandy (eszewcow@gmail.com).

125th Anniversary Dinner
Our 125th Anniversary Dinner will be held Saturday 21st July at the Workers. Tickets are $40 each and are available from the canteen or office NOW. Buy your own ticket or get a table of ten friends together. Ticket price includes: 2 course sit down meal, tea, coffee and drink voucher on arrival. Great value. Enquiries to the school 4294 1332 or please contact Bronwyn Charman on 0423693629.

CANTEN NEWS
Spaghetti Bolognese available for lunch orders all this week – Fresh home-made spag bol $3.50 per serve, order at canteen. Special for this week only.
Friday 15th June will be our “After Blues Day”. Blue treats will be available for sale from the canteen and if you would like to enter the lucky draw ($1) we will have some prizes for each stage. Pay your $1 at the canteen on the day or before your chance to win.

Jaffles are now available as a warm winter alternative. “REAL” coffee is available to parents for $3 per cup. Apples are still 70c each (whole or slinky) and our breakfast items are :- raisin toast 50c per slice, vegemite on toast 50c per slice and Up N Go various flavours $1.70, milo $1.00 per cup.
We cannot accept ANY FOREIGN COIN.

UNIFORM NEWS
The soft yellow sport visors are now available from the canteen for $8
Sport socks (all sizes) are now available from the canteen for $8.
Second hand clothes – please drop any good quality second hand uniform items to the canteen.
125th Anniversary caps are now available from the canteen for $10
Thank you for your continued support.
Jan 4294 1778 Bronwyn 4294 3568

Environmental News
Save the Date!
Our upcoming working bee is to be held on Sunday the 24th of June, kickoff at 9am. Come along with gloves and energy, to spend a fun hour or so, further beautifying and tidying our school grounds.

Community Notices
Playgroup Stanwell Park
Fridays 9.30 til Midday. Safe, Friendly Atmosphere. Stanwell Park Children's Centre. Contact Monique 0425 320 597

CatholicCare Sharing the Load
CatholicCare is holding 2 day group for children aged 6-12 who have experienced family violence.
Dates: Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th July Cost: Free Contact Number: 4227 1122

We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which Helensburgh Public School is situated. We pay our respects to the Dharawal people and to elders past, present and the future.
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