Relieving Deputy Principal's Message

Year 6 camp to Canberra/Cooba

Last night, we had very tired but excited Year 6 students arriving home from their excursion to Canberra/Cooba. You will certainly hear all about their enjoyable time next week, in our Mona Vale Mail, when they share some of their stories with us. We would like to thank our teachers and support teachers for giving up their time to be with our students on the excursion.

Kindergarten 2014 Open day and School tour

Next week, on Wednesday 29th May at 9:30am to 11:00am, we are having our Kindergarten Open Day and School Tour. Everyone who has a child starting school next year is very welcome. Hope to see you there. Please let the office know if you are attending to assist with organisation.

Shirlee-Ann Curtis
Relieving Deputy Principal

Term 2 Accounts & Excursions

All accounts should now be paid. Please settle your accounts as soon as possible. Should you be experiencing financial difficulty please contact myself or Mr Greg Jones to discuss a payment plan.

Kids Matter Initiative

In last week's newsletter, Mr Jones wrote about the Kids Matter Initiative. The parent suggestion box has now been set up in the office.
CANTEEN NEWS
Thank you to all my lovely volunteers Mel, Michelle and Olivia who are making working in the Canteen so enjoyable.

For the kids and staff we have some NEW food for the cold weather:
In the mornings before school hot chocolates are back and we are also serving PORRIDGE with honey or brown sugar and raisin toast from 8:30am to 8:45am.
At recess, along with the popular garlic bread, pizza, chicken pieces and wedges, we have pureed homemade hot soup served in cups and from time to time there are chocolate muffins too.

If you would like to volunteer a morning a term in the Canteen, please pop in to see me in the Canteen or phone on 9997 2442 between 9-12 Monday to Friday.
Keep warm!
Rebecca

Are you a scientist, or an engineer?
Would you enjoy inspiring our teachers and students in their science?
Then you might like to become our school’s scientist!

Our school is registered for Scientists in Schools and we’re looking for a scientist who is interested in working with our staff and students – it would be great to have someone from our local community.

We are looking for professionals working in a science or engineering-related area. This includes research and applied scientists, technologists and engineers, medical and allied health professionals and mathematicians.

There are no fixed hours – it’s up to you and the teacher to decide how you can contribute.

Register or find out more information online at www.scientistsinschools.edu.au

Scientists in Schools is an Australian Government initiative, managed by CSIRO Education. If you’d like to call the Scientists in Schools team, they’re on 9490 8405 or email them at sis.nsw@csiro.au.
2013 Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition Stage 2 and 3

Mona Vale is entering this fabulous competition once again in order to heighten awareness of multicultural issues among our students while developing their interest and skills in public speaking, as well as their confidence.

This year, students will be learning how to structure a speech in school, so they will not be required to write their speech for homework. However, there are several ways you can help your child to make this a meaningful learning experience:

* discuss current multicultural issues
* research the multicultural history of your family
* select and prepare a multicultural meal together
* look through the local paper for events with multicultural elements such as food festivals, musical entertainment, etc.

In mid-June, each class will select two finalists to deliver their speech in the hall to their stage. These finalists will bring their speeches home to practise with you. Then two students will be chosen from Stage 2 and Stage 3 to showcase their public speaking skills and share ideas with other students at our area finals.

Sam Bloom rehabilitation raffle

We would like to thank everyone (parents, teachers and community members) who so generously purchased raffle tickets to support the Bloom family towards Sam’s rehabilitation. Local businesses also contributed generously; Newport Pharmacy (Wayne), Newport Travel Agency (Chris Riou) and Newport Performance Health (Ashlini).

A special thank you to Tina Bracher, Sarah Castle, Angie Cohen and Rita Ericsson who were instrumental in exceeding the amount we had hoped for. They sold raffle tickets in excess of $1,575. Well done! A big thank you to everyone!
2013 School Term Dates

Term 2: Students Break Up – Friday June 28, 2013

Term 3: Staff Development Day - Monday July 15, 2013
  Students Return - Tuesday July 16, 2013
  Students Break up – Friday September 20, 2013

Term 4: Students and Staff return Tuesday October 8, 2013
  Last day for students – Wednesday December 18, 2013
  Staff Development Days – Thursday Dec 19 & Friday Dec 20, 2013

The Northern Sydney Scholastic & Sports Academy
at Narrabeen Sports High School

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Thinking of where to send your child for High School?
Thinking of changing schools?

Narrabeen Sports High School is a comprehensive
public school focused on delivering excellence in all
areas of the curriculum. The school has a unique
specialist sporting & scholastic Academy with
professional coaching staff and world class facilities.

We are offering a free afternoon of activity for
interested students in Years 5, 6, 7 & 8 to try
an Academy sport, followed by a BBQ.

Interested parents will be able to attend an information session during the training sessions.
To secure a place please email Karen.Dipper1@det.nsw.edu.au or call 9913 7820 (Tues/Thurs)

When: Wednesday 31st July, 2013 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Where: Narrabeen Sports High School - 10 Namona St, North Narrabeen
Sports: AFL Rugby Union/League, Touch Football, Dance,
Basketball, Netball, Football (Soccer) and Tennis.

Tae Kwon-Do for males and females of all ages.
Established on the northern suburbs since 1974.

Monday 4.30pm Mona Vale Public School
Tuesday 7.30pm Mona Vale Memorial Hall
Friday 4.00pm Newport Community Centre
Friday 7.00pm Narrabeen Sport High School
Saturday 5.30pm Beacon Hill Community Centre

For further information please phone Mr. Suh
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