NEWSLETTER
Thursday 23rd July 2015
Week 2 Term 3

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Newsletter
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Celebrating the Arts
The tickets for Celebrating the Arts will go on sale at 9am on Monday 3rd August. Tickets are $18, no concession. Tickets can be purchased from the Riverside Theatre Box Office.

Open Day
The staff and students are looking forward to sharing a glimpse into their classrooms on Thursday 6th August from 11.30-1pm. This session will include class performances, classroom visits and the book fair. Year 6 will be running a sausage sizzle on the day. An invitation and order of events will be sent home shortly.

Athletics Carnival – Field Events
Unfortunately we were unable to hold our Field events carnival (3-6 + 8yrs old) today due to inclement weather. The field events will be held at an alternate time. Students will be informed when to wear their sports clothes.

Parramatta Sun – Fairfax Media
Our school leaders were interviewed and photographed by journalists for Parramatta Sun as part of the papers promotional articles on schools in the Parramatta area. Look out for their smiling faces!

Group School Photographs
The group photographs can be viewed in the front foyer. Please collect an envelope from the front office if you would like to purchase any of these. All photos will need to be paid for by Fri 24th July.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
Please place all Earn and Learn tokens into the box at the front office. If you can fill an entire sheet that would be fantastic.

Cumberland High School Gifted and Talented Program
Applications are now open for Cumberland High School, Year 7, 2016 Gifted and Talented Program. Scholarship opportunities available. Application close 14th August 2015. Phone 9871 7718.
Kindergarten Enrolments
Enrolments are being taken for Kindergarten 2016 of children, who will be turning 5 years old on or before 31st July, 2016. Please pass this information on to friends or neighbours who do not receive this newsletter. Enrolment forms are available from the school office.

KidsMatter
KidsMatter is an Australian initiative that aims at improving the mental health of children and their families. At the start of this program we need to survey staff, students and parents. Please assist us in gathering accurate data by completing the online parent survey at www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/parentsurvey.
Please find an information sheet attached regarding this initiative.

Gae Bromwich
Relieving Principal

Year 6 – Apple Store and Library Visit
Last Friday was one of the best days ever as Year Six went to the Apple Store in Castle Towers. A bus picked us up and we were off. When we got there, the staff were so thrilled to see us that they all clapped as we entered the store. What a great welcome! We played a quick warm-up game, learnt about iMovie and made movies of our buddies using the pictures and videos we had made at school. We were each given an Apple t-shirt and a USB bracelet.

Later we walked down the hill to the Castle Hill Library, had lunch, went on a tour and borrowed books. It was amazing! We were shown how the returned books are processed using a conveyor belt and we reckon we definitely should get one of those for Burnside!!!!!!! There was an Anzac exhibit on a screen, chess was set up, we checked out the Rainforest section and much, much more. Some of us became members of the Hills Library group so we could borrow books, DVDs, etc and we have on-line access at home now. There was even a café IN the Library.

Time went by quickly so we hope to take our parents there in the next holidays or at the weekend. They stay open seven days a week. Thanks to the parents who came with us and those who met us there. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Extra special thanks to the Bargwanna family who instigated this whole thing!

By Krish, Year 6
What is KidsMatter Primary?
KidsMatter Primary is an Australian initiative that aims to improve children's mental health and wellbeing. It recognises the important role that parents and carers play in the lives of their children and encourages effective working relationships between school staff, parents and carers, and the broader community. For further information, including information sheets especially written for parents and carers, visit the KidsMatter website: www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary

How is my privacy protected and what happens to the answers?
The answers provided by parents and carers are completely anonymous and it will not be possible to identify you or your child from your answers. Data is stored electronically by KidsMatter Primary in a password secured database. Only summarised results that align to the four components are used by the school to assist with school planning. KidsMatter Primary may also use data summarised at a state level to inform the national development of KidsMatter.

What do I need to do to participate?
Please read this information statement and be sure you understand its contents before you consent to participate. If there is anything you do not understand, or if you have questions, please talk to a staff member at your child's school.

Why am I being asked to complete this survey?
KidsMatter Primary encourages schools to reflect on how they are doing things - what they are doing well already and also what they can improve to promote children's mental health and wellbeing. It has been recognised that including the voice of staff, students, parents and carers assists the school with planning.

What choice do I have?
Completing this anonymous survey is entirely your choice. Whether or not you decide to participate, your decision will not disadvantage you or your child. However, we hope that you will contribute to helping us improve our school community. Please feel free to discuss any concerns you may have about completing this survey with any of the staff.

Thank you for your support.
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The newsletter will continue to be provided in paper form until the end of Term 3 and is always available on the school website.

UPDATE EMAIL ADDRESSES
To receive newsletters, P & C information and other school updates via email please complete the following:

Email 1:  ________________________________________________
Parent Name:  ________________________________________________
Email 2:  ________________________________________________
Parent Name:  ________________________________________________

My child/children: ____________________________________  Class(es): _________
Signature: __________________________________________  Date: _____________

Thursday, 23rd July 2015

FIELD EVENTS
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Due to the cancellation of PSSA, we will hold our Field Events Carnival tomorrow, Friday 24th July.

We will commence the program at 10:30am. If you were a volunteer we would love your help tomorrow but understand if you now unable to.

All parents are welcome to attend and support the students.

We look forward to some fine weather.

Gae Bromwich
Relieving Principal