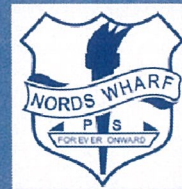


Nords Wharf P.S. Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 7

Thursday 20 November 2014

Principal's Report

New School Administration Manager

Although Kelly Wright will be sorely missed when she moves on to Marks Point PS, I am delighted to announce that we have appointed a new School Administration Manager to start in 2015. Her name is Robyn Hamilton and she comes to us from Central Mangrove PS. Robyn has also had a variety of experiences in other small schools. She enjoys working with students and community and is sure to be an asset to our school. Robyn will be visiting on the 2nd and 3rd of December, giving Kelly the opportunity to visit Marks Point PS as well. Please pop in and make her feel welcome.

School Excursion

Our whole school excursion to Speers Point Park is being held on Tuesday. Please return the permission slip to the office if you haven't already done so. We are looking for parent volunteers to assist with supervision. Please indicate on the permission note if you are able to attend. There is no cost to this excursion. All students need to provide their own lunch, drinks and snacks. They should wear a school hat and sunscreen. School uniform is to be worn, including joggers.

Swimming Scheme

Swimming lessons have concluded for the year. Thank you to all parents who volunteered with transport. Teachers have commented to me that they think more weeks of swimming would be beneficial. One parent has suggested opening up swimming to students in K—2. If you have any feedback / suggestions that you would like to make then please let me know. We will take these in to consideration as we negotiate with the pool for next year's lessons.

Presentation Night

Our Presentation Assembly is being held in Week 9 on Thursday, 4th December, starting at 6:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Karin Hird
Principal

Class News

Kindergarten

Students had a fantastic time at the Pre-School last Friday. We were able to feed the animals and pat them. Peppa Pig needed to have some sunscreen rubbed onto her skin. After we left, the man clipped the wool of one of the sheep and we are bringing some of it home today.

In Maths, we have been learning about money. We know that coins can be dollars or cents but notes can only be dollars. We have discussed the people / pictures on each note and why they are significant to Australia.

Discussing money can make children very inquisitive. Some of the Kindergarten students have 'explored' their parents' wallets. I've reinforced that they MUST ask permission first.

We have been discussing how to keep ourselves safe during our Child Protection unit. We are learning about warning signals our bodies give us and who we can go to if we need help or if we have these warning signals. We have discussed body parts and when it is OK to share our bodies.

Please feel free to talk to me about this unit if you have any questions.

Ms Hook

1/2

The Stars of the week are Brooklin and Nathan. The super spellers who spelt all their words correctly last week were: Isabelle, Aliyah, Dylan, Felix, Max, Sophie, Torhi, Joe, Alby, Maggie, Daniel, Grace, Annie, Alyssa, Cooper and James.

As part of our school's Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) lessons, 1/2 have been learning about the safe use and safe storage of medicine. To learn about using medicine safely, our class have been reading a book called 'Doctor Gemma' about a young girl called Gemma, who role plays being a

Notes Sent Home This Week

Band Camp

doctor with her friends. We have discussed what medicine is, the importance of following the directions on the medicine and safe storage of medicine.

On Tuesday 2nd December, 1/2 will be undertaking our annual activity of making gingerbread houses! It would be wonderful if any parents were available to join us from about 2.15 pm on this day to help us construct the houses.

1/2 are very excited about our excursion to Speers Point Park next Tuesday 25th November! We hope you can join us for what will be a fantastic day.

Mrs Halligan and Mr Derbyshire

3/4

Our picnic day at Speers Point is coming up and we still have a few that have not returned their permission notes. Check with your child to see if it has been taken to the office. If a new note is needed they can get one from the office.

Could all the children return their portfolios so that new work can be entered.

This week we have continued our discussions on classifying animals. We have been talking about vertebrate and invertebrate animals as well as classifying according to their diet.

In Mathematics the children surveyed their classmates and constructed vertical and horizontal column graphs. The survey topics were; favourite colour and favourite take-away.

We have a collection of plastic containers in the class if parents are missing some.

Mr Westcott

4/5/6

A note went home yesterday with the details of the Year 6 Farewell. It is being held at Catherine Hill Bay Surf Life -Saving Club and is for all students in Years 5 & 6.

As we approach the end of the year we have had some issues with students falling out with one another. Our Year 6 students are showing that they are ready to leave us and move on to the challenges of high school. I have been speaking to them about following our school expectations of Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be a Learner. I've also reinforced that with only a few weeks of primary school to go it would be a shame to end on a bad note. We need to remember to be nice to each other, stick up for our friends, be respectful to peers and teachers and to keep on learning. Can you please reinforce these messages at home as well.

The Captains' speeches for 2015 will be held on Thurs-

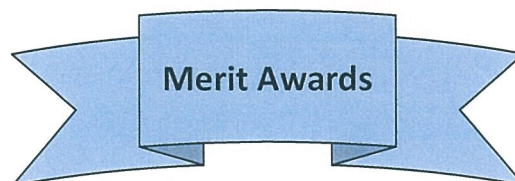
day next week at 2 pm. Students will be voting for the two School Captains. As we will only have one girl in Year 6 next year (who doesn't really want to be school captain) we will probably have two boy captains. Students with the next four most popular votes will be selected by staff to be SRC leaders, Sports Captain or Library Monitor.

Mrs Hird

Happy Birthday To:

Jared

25 Nov



Class Awards

1/2

Alby

Maggie

Nathan

Daniel

4/5/6

Jared

Callum

Reading Awards

Alby

Aliyah

Koby

Daniel

Coming Events Term 4 Week 8

Tues 25 Nov	Speers Point Park Excursion
Thurs 27 Nov	Kinder Transition (Last One)
	Captains Speeches 2.00 pm

Canteen Roster:

Friday 21 Nov	Julia Schofield
Monday 24 Nov	Leanne Munro
Wed 26 Nov	Bec Green