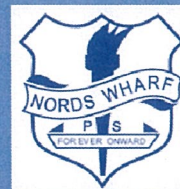


Nords Wharf P.S. Newsletter

Forever Onward



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Term 4 Week 8

Thursday 27 November 2014

Principal's Report

Speers Point Park Excursion

Our excursion to Speers Point Park on Tuesday was a tremendous success and affirmed why the students deserved to be recognised for their good behaviour this year. They were a credit to themselves and to our school. Thank you to the parents who were able to come and assist. We appreciated your support. Thank you to your P & C whose supported this initiative by paying for one of the buses.

Excursions such as this are a great opportunity for children to extend themselves through taking risks in a safe environment and through pushing themselves to achieve something that they didn't think they were capable of. All the teachers have remarked on seeing incidents such as these on Tuesday. It was also really nice to see some of our senior students supporting and encouraging students from the younger grades.

Presentation Night

Our annual Presentation Night is being held on Thursday next week from 6:30 pm. Students need to be in full school uniform. All Kindergarten students receive an award for completing their initial year of schooling. There are book prizes and Key Learning Area certificates awarded in each grade. There are also sporting and perpetual trophies awarded as well as the announcement of our leaders for 2015.

Kinder 2015 Orientation

The final orientation session for the year was held today. From all appearances Ms Hook is going to have another wonderful year next year with a terrific group of students. Their buddies from Years 4 & 5 have been very kind and thoughtful as well.

Computer Lab in the Library

We have had workmen in this week to complete the data cabling in the library. This will mean that all of the computers will be online as of next week.

Classroom Painting

Next week we will have the painters in to beautify the two demountable classrooms. 4/5/6 will be painted on Monday and, when it is completed, work will commence

in the 3/4 room. Students will work in the Library during painting.

Karin Hird Principal

Class News

Kindergarten

We had a fantastic day at Speers Point Park this week. The behaviour of the students in our class was outstanding and they represented Nords Wharf Public School well. I was proud of the students who overcame their worries about having a go on the flying fox or climbing up the big slide tower. It was great to see the smiles on their faces when they realised how much fun they could have. It was also a great opportunity to reinforce the concept of 'body warning signals' that we have talked about recently in our Child Protection unit.

Just a reminder that Miss Brindley is now teaching Kindergarten for 2 weeks. She has a lot of exciting activities planned for the students.

Please send your child's blue report folder in as soon as possible if your haven't done so already.

Ms Hook

1/2

The Stars of the Week this week are Torhi and Maggie. 1/2 are continuing to achieve great results in spelling with Isabelle, Aliyah, Keely, Sophie, Torhi, Joe, Alby, Brooklin, Maggie, Ben, Grace, Annie, Alyssa, James and Nathan correctly spelling all their words last week.

Wow, what a day we had at Speers Point Park on Tuesday! Thank you so much to everyone who helped 1/2; Mrs Muir and Mrs Loughlin as well as our supportive parents Mr Doohen, Mrs Lambert, Mrs Adams, Mr Schofield, Mrs May, Mr Condie and Mr Miller. We appre-

Notes Sent Home This Week

Raffle Tickets for Carols Night
Tennis and Guitar Notes

ciate that you were able to come along and help!

Next Tuesday December 2, from about 2.15 pm we are making gingerbread houses with 1/2. Please come along if you can, the students are really looking forward to this activity.

Mrs Halligan and Mr Derbyshire

3/4

The students had a wonderful time at Speers Point Park on Tuesday. They rode scooters, climbed the tower and slid down the slide, rode on the flying fox and had a lot of fun with all the other activities.

In Mathematics this week, we have been going over areas that were shown in the assessment test to warrant revision. Areas such as multiplication algorithms, parallel lines and division are being revised.

The HSIE and Science assessment tests are on Friday. The children have been revising their work in class.

Mr Westcott

4/5/6

Our Year 5 students presented their Captain's speeches today. The results will be announced at Presentation Night.

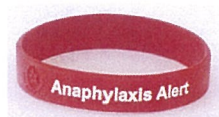
We have been having a new organisation for Reading Groups this week. The class have been working very well. They are named for the countries who were our Allies during WWII.

Year 5 & 6 parents should have received a note about the Year 6 Farewell. Please pay for the limousine and catering if you have not already done so.

Mrs Hird

Happy Birthday To:

Charli	27 Nov
Aliyah	28 Nov
Nathan L-W	2 Dec



Merit Awards

Class Awards

K

Billy
Talia
Kamea
Anieka

1/2

Torhi
Daniel
Annie
Maxwell

Bree

3/4

Ruby
Sunny
Sam
Jay T

4/5/6

Jack
Ethan
Shaylee
Ryan

Reading Awards

Jaden
Keely
Lyla

Green Awards

Charli
Sam
Jared

PBL Awards

Jace
Alby

Principals Award

Aaron
Elsa

Canteen Roster:

Friday 28 Nov	Kris Green
Monday 1 Dec	Aleisha Melder
Wed 3 Dec	Kevin Fitzgerald Ben Gray

Coming Events Term 4 Week 9

Tues 2 Dec Double Guitar Lesson
Rescheduled Tennis Lesson
P & C Meeting 6.30 pm
Thurs 4 Dec Hello High School
Presentation Evening—6.30 pm
Fri 5 Dec Band Auditions

Term 4 Week 10

Mon 8 Dec Year 6 Farewell

Term 4 Week 11

Tues 16 Dec Christmas Carols
Wed 17 Dec Talent Quest
Last Day for Students

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform shop will be open even weeks in the morning from 9.00—9.15 am and odd weeks in the afternoon from 2.30—3.00 pm

There are rugby and long sleeved polo shirts on sale for \$5.00—Must be sold!! Old stock.

School caps are in!!

Thanks Tracey



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ABSENCE NOTE

Student Surname: _____

First Name: _____

Class: _____

Date/s of Absence: _____

Reason for Absence: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Evaluation 'Dots'

Thank you to everyone who has provided feedback through the 'dots' in the office. We have really appreciated seeing the number of parents who selected PBL as their most valued item, along with Focus on Reading, Multilit intervention, Christmas Carols and Daily Fitness. We will be having a close look at the areas that have received several white dots for improvement.

The results were as follows:

	Most Valued (pink dot)	Valued (orange dot)	Could be improved (white dot)		Most Valued (pink dot)	Valued (orange dot)	Could be improved (white dot)
Daily Fitness – running or circuit	2	21	2	Music: Count Us In		7	1
Active After School Sport		19	3	Transition to High School lessons	2	7	
Christmas carols		18	3	NAIDOC Day		5	2
Home reading	2	17		CAPA pillar Day	1	4	1
Focus on Reading (comprehension strategies)	7	16	2	Dance		4	11
Swimming lessons		16	6	Debating competition		4	
Spelling Bee		15		Gala days		4	
Vegie Garden	1	15	9	Guitar		4	3
Discos		14	2	Presentation night		4	4
Buddy program		12	2	Reading with 3/4 and 4/5/6	1	4	
PBL	15	12	9	Book week parade		3	4
Multilit	6	11	1	Leadership Conference for School leaders		3	1
School Public Speaking		11	3	Newcastle Maths Competition		3	
Education week open classes		10		Ride 2 School Day		3	
Sports carnivals		10	6	Uni of NSW competitions		3	
Star Struck		10		Visual Arts Extravaganza		3	2
School Concert		9	1	End of Term 2 assembly with band, guitar, dance and choir performances		2	
Stage 3 camp		9		Galgabba / Zone Public Speaking		2	1
Easter Hat Parade		8	1	Sports Leadership Day for 5/6		2	
Walk Safely to school day		8		Excursions		1	7
Band	2	7	1	Premier's Reading Challenge		1	3
Galgabba Science Fair / Night of the Notables		7		Sports Days with other schools		1	1
Tennis		1	2	Premier's Sporting Challenge	0	0	0