Principal’s Reflections

Happy Autumn Break Everyone
Have a safe and happy Easter everyone 😊.
School returns for all students on Tuesday 21st April with the Monday set aside for a strategic staff development day around key educational reforms.

2015 School ANZAC Service

Our students and school will celebrate the 100th anniversary of ANZAC on Friday 24th April commencing at 10:30 under our “Lone Pine ANZAC tree” which was donated by the late Gill Smith (OAM) in 2006. This tree was grown by seed from the original Lone Pine tree on the Gallipoli Peninsula in Turkey.

Please feel free to join us on this day of significance.

Merit Awards
Congratulations to these students for achieving this high honour;
• Faith Neely (x2)
• Janae Thompson

NAPLAN 2015 Reminder
These tests will take place from Tuesday 12th May to Thursday 14th May for all Yr 3 and Yr5 students.
The testing timetable is;
• Tue 12th – Language (40 min) and Writing (40 min)
• Wed 13th – Reading (45 or 50 min)
• Thur 14th – Numeracy (45 or 50 min)

Small Schools Combined Athletics Carnival
Thank you everyone. Another wonderful and highly successful day 😊. The children had great fun!

Easter Celebrations and Picnic in School Grounds this Thursday 2nd April.
Come and celebrate our “Annual Easter Hat Parade” and family picnic this Thursday 2nd April commencing at 12:00 under the COLA.
Canteen will also be available with a BBQ (until sold out) and the “Easter Egg Raffle” will be drawn.
Come along and celebrate with our community. 😊

Donation of Eggs for Easter Raffle Welcome
If families could donate some Easter Eggs for our annual raffle it would be greatly appreciated 😊.

Canteen Managers Shared Role
Quick point of clarification. both Annie Young and Brenda Effer are dual canteen managers for 2015. Both Annie and Brenda are your points of contact for any canteen matters.

NAPLAN Exemption and Withdrawal Forms 2015
Students may be withdrawn at the request of the parent/carer in discussion with the Principal. Please contact me if you have any concerns.

Christopher Parkinson 😊
Principal
Principal, School Leadership | High Performance Learning, High Performance and Accountability (P/T)
FOR YOUR CALENDAR

TERM 1
April
Thurs 2nd April – Easter Celebrations

TERM 2
Tuesday 21st April – students return to school
Friday 24th April – Anzac Service 10.30am
Thursday 21st May – School Photos
Friday 22nd May – Grandfriends Day

TERM 1 finishes Thursday 2nd April 2015
TERM 2 starts for students, Tuesday 21st April 2015
TERM 2 finishes Friday 26th June 2015.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

EARLY AND LATE ARRIVAL NOTES
As you are aware, the Department of Education and Communities has made significant changes to the School Attendance Policy. If you are bringing your child to school late or collecting them early you need to provide an explanation.
If you are not bringing your child to the office to fill out a late arrivals slip, you will need to send along a note explaining the lateness.

BOOK PACK INFORMATION
Book pack prices are $35.00 for all classes. This fee includes all books, stationery items, photocopying, internet access, art and craft consumables.

NOTES RECENTLY SENT HOME
- Easter Activities for Thursday 2nd April.
- Raffle tickets
- Change of details

TENNIS SHIRTS
The tennis shirts are coming in slowly. Your child will receive their shirt as soon as we receive them. If they have not received them by the end of this term then they will receive them early next term.

CHANGE OF DETAILS
Attached to the newsletter is a change of details sheet. If any of your details have changed (telephone, mobile, address etc) please complete the note and return it to the office. As always your information is confidential.

P & C INFORMATION

Easter Donations
Our Easter raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 2nd April. We are asking for donations of eggs, baskets, stuffed bunnies or anything representing Easter. Donations can be left at the office at any time. Tickets and money will need to be returned to school by Thursday 2nd April.

Easter Lunch Orders
Lunch Orders needed to be returned yesterday Monday 30th March. If you have not returned your order, the canteen will be organising a sausage sizzle, so there will be hot food available on the day.

On behalf of the P&C we would like to thank Canteen Managers Brenda Effer & Annie Young and their team of Volunteers on a fantastic Athletics Carnival last week.

School Uniforms are also still available from the Office.
Don’t forget Easter Raffle and Donations.
COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Swampstomp 2015
Sunday 12ᵗʰ April from 10.00am – 2.00pm at Fred Harvey Oval, Lawson Avenue, Woodberry.
Lots of things to do and see, market stalls, BBQ, pop up playground and face painting, live entertainment, amusement rides, Photo booth, skate demo. Gold coin donation.
Hope to see you there.

Coastal Valleys Region Girl Guides invite you to

Come and Try Guides!

At your local Girl Guide unit
For girls aged 6-17 years
Leadership opportunities for adults 18 years and over.
Guides enjoy challenging and fun program of indoor and outdoor activities:
games, leadership and life skills, craft, badges, cooking, camping and community events

For information on the location and available meetings -

Region Membership Adviser on
HelenEG2@live.com.au or visit our website
www.girlguides-nswact.org.au to find out more about
Guides

Circle of Security Parenting – A relationship Based Parenting Program
An 8 week group for caregivers of toddlers – 4 year olds.

Ever wish your child came with an instruction manual? Children are born with the ability to communicate their needs – they are the instruction manual!

Circle of Security Parenting
• Help caregivers understand how children communicate their needs through their behaviour.
• Supports caregivers to meet their child’s need whenever possible and to take charge whenever necessary, leading to stronger relationships between caregivers and children.
• Is a user friendly visually based approach to helping parents and carers better understand the needs of their children.

Date: Fridays 1ˢᵗ May – 19ᵗʰ June 2015.

Venue: Place of Friends
Woodberry Public School
Lawson Avenue
Woodberry. 2322

Places are strictly limited and you must be registered to attend.

Limited FREE children’s group available. If you have a younger baby who is not mobile and would like to attend please discuss this with Louise or Alison.

To register contact:
Alison Mon – Fri 49392530
Louise Tues – Fri 49392530
Cynthia Mon – Fri 49642174

Be a deadly parent with Triple P – Positive Parenting Program

Course: Indigenous Triple P Group& Seminar
Start date Friday 1ˢᵗ May 2015
Completion date Friday 15ᵗʰ May 2015
Duration 3 weeks.

Morning Tea and light refreshments will be provided.

9.30am-12.30pm

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