Principal's Report

Mrs Megan Avery

Exciting News!

This afternoon I contacted the Education Department and was given the official go ahead to form a fourth class. It is with much excitement that Mrs Kate Field will be returning to our school. The classes will be as follows:

K/1 – Mrs Keir and Mrs Field  
1/2 – Mrs Hussein  
3/4 – Mr Eagleton  
5/6 – Mrs Thompson

These classes will begin on Monday 18th February and will remain the same for the rest of the year. Please feel free to come and see me if you have any concerns over this matter.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

This week our whole school has been working on Safety, including keeping hands and feet to ourselves. Students participated in a variety of activities around this theme and had some fun while working within teams.

Hip Hop - $15

Our first Hip Hop session last week proved a success, with all students having the opportunity to show their moves to each other. A reminder to everyone that the fee for this program is only $15 per child, for the whole term! Thank you to those families who have already paid.
School Fees
Thank you to those families who have already paid their school contribution. The scheduled fee is $20 per student or $30 per family.

Assembly
Well done to Cody and Harry who led their first assembly last week. Your organisation skills were most impressive.

Calendar - Upcoming Events
Term 1
22nd Feb
6th March
26th March
27th March
28th March
29th March
1st April
3rd April

Zone Swimming
Year 3-6 Oz Tag Day
School Photos
Zone Cross Country
Easter Hat Parade
Good Friday
Easter Monday
Paxton Olympics

Assembly Dates
22 February
8 March
22 March
5 April

NSW School Terms 2013

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Peer Tutoring

During Term1 and Term 2 your child will be in a peer tutoring program involving drills of sound groups and high frequency sight words at your child’s developmental level. This program also has an auditory component involving memory, isolation, discrimination and manipulation of sounds. Tutors, usually the older children also benefit from this program. As a senior group we discussed and listed the following advantages:

- Organisational skills
- Leadership skills
- Recording skills
- Listening skills
- Graphing skills
- Co operation
- Giving encouragement
- Empathy
- Respect
- Attitude continues in all whole school activities.
- Feel good about helping others
- Feel good about achieving
- Develop self control
- Improving our school Teamwork

During Term3 and Term 4 peer tutoring will involve repeated reading of a levelled passage to increase your child’s reading accuracy and fluency.

Peer tutoring takes place three mornings a week at 9.00.

This program is closely monitored, reviewed and evaluated by the Learning Assistance and Support Teacher, Debbie Asquith.

If you would like to discuss your child’s placement or progress, please feel free to contact the school for an appointment with Debbie.
Canteen Roster

15th Feb  
Amanda & Margie

22nd Feb  
Amanda & Nathalie

1st March  
Amanda & Nathalie

8th March  
Amanda & Nathalie

15th March  
Amanda & Stephen

22nd March  
Stephen

29th March  
GOOD FRIDAY

5th April  
Amanda & Nathalie

12th April  
Stephen

Volunteers for Canteen are urgently needed.

Please add your name to the current roster located in the office.

P & C Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 21st February at 3.15pm in the Library. Please note this is not the AGM it will be held at the end of March date to be advised. It would be great to see some new faces as everyone is welcome.

Easter Raffle

As Easter is fast approaching we are seeking donations of Easter Eggs for our Raffle which will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

Year 6 Senior Shirts

We have received pricing and are staying with the same design as last year after receiving positive feedback on how great they looked. A note was sent home yesterday with an Order Form for you to fill out.
Cessnock United Football Club
Registration days - Baddeley Park Cessnock.

Sat 9/2/2013
Sun 10/2/2013
Sat 16/2/2013
10-12pm each day.

All new players must provide a copy of birth certificate.

Shots $16
Socks $12
5-7yrs—$16.50
8-11yrs—$32
12-15yrs—$96
Seniors—$195

WE ARE ENTERING AN ALL GIRL SIDE IN UNDER 6s THIS YEAR FOR THE GIRLS THAT DON'T WANT TO PLAY WITH THE BOYS. THEY WILL PLAY IN AN ALL GIRL COMP.

Contact Ann for any further information on 0418001979
Pre-register at www.myfootballclub.com.au

Want to re-enter the workforce but need to brush up on your skills first?

Come and talk with the helpful staff at
CESSNOCK TAFE, CAREER SKILLS EDUCATION

OUR COURSES FOR 2013

- Preparation for Work & Study-Certificate I (PWS) 10756/57/58
  Year 9 equivalent course, to upgrade literacy, numeracy & employment skills.

- Skills for Work & Training-Certificate II (SWAT) 10697
  Provides a pathway to work, further study and training.
  - Career Education & Employment for Women-Certificate II (CEEW) 10697
  This course helps women re-enter the workforce or education after a long absence.
  Work placement included in the course.
  - Tertiary Preparation-Certificate IV (TPC) 9048
  Year 12 equivalent course, a pathway to tertiary education & employment.
  - English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
  Course for people from non-English speaking backgrounds to improve English language skills for work or further study.
  - Access to Work & Training-Certificate I (LLNDP) 10442/10757/58
  Course for Centrelink, JS & DES referred clients to upgrade language, literacy, numeracy & employment skills.

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