Prinicipal's Report

Mr Graham White

Whole School Intensive Swimming

Our swimming program finished up last Friday with a change in activities. Every child had the opportunity to take the challenge of crossing a large inflatable structure in the main pool – some with more success than others, of course, because as it became wetter and more slippery, the challenge became more difficult. It was, however, a fun day as the pictures below demonstrate.

More importantly perhaps, I have already heard from a couple of parents that they can see great improvement in their child's ability and confidence in the water.
Books in Homes Presentation

Tomorrow all of our students will receive their third lot of books from the Books in Homes program and we have a special guest to be part of the presentation. Rob Towner is an Australian author and illustrator and we are very excited to have him at Paxton Public School. Rob’s book series is called *Romy’s Garden Adventures*, a fun series of books that both kids and parents will enjoy.

This year, Books in Homes at our school has been jointly funded by the school and our Parent & Citizens group and the P & C support is enormously appreciated.

Books in Homes is an absolutely wonderful program and when we have surveyed its success in the past it has been extremely supported by students, parents and staff and I hope it is able to continue at our school well into the future.

The P & C will be holding a sausage sizzle lunch tomorrow at 1.15pm for the children and family members. The assembly and book giving ceremony will start at 2pm.

Kinder Students

Our Kinder orientation sessions concluded this Wednesday and all the new students enjoyed their activities in Mrs Field’s class. Many thanks to the parents who were able to attend the information sessions and many thank too, of course, to the presenters.

We look forward to 2015 when the kids really start “big school”.

Library Stocktake

Please return any library books as soon as possible. Mrs A and Mrs Wilson will be undertaking the stocktake in the coming weeks and it is very important that all books are returned.

Calendar - Upcoming Events  
Term 4

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School Disco

Christmas Disco
27th November
4-6pm  $2 entry
Food & drinks for sale
Wear Christmas colours

NSW School Terms 2015

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The P&C will be holding a special BBQ lunch to celebrate our last Books in homes issue for 2014.
BBQ lunch will starts at 1.15pm next Friday (21st Nov).
Everyone is invited to come along and join in the excitement.

Senior Shirts 2015
Order forms are due TOMORROW
Please provide your child’s details so we can order all senior shirts.
Payment for additional shirts will need to be paid for in full by 5th December, 2014.
If you have not received an order form, please see Leah in the office.

Lunch Bags
Extra lunch bags are available to purchase from the canteen - $6.00 each
Please remember to give your child’s lunch bag a quick wipe over each week to avoid cross contamination 😊

Mr White’s Retirement
The P&C have started making plans for Mr White’s retirement at the end of this year.
Final arrangement will be disgusted at our next general P&C meeting. If you would like to be involve in the planning please come along to the meeting on 1st December or please feel free to speak to Carol Avery or Catherine Dixon anytime.

A.G.M (Annual General Meeting)
Our A.G.M has been rescheduled until February, 2015.
Sorry for any inconvenience

Thank you for supporting Paxton Public School P&C
~ Together we can make a difference ~
- Possible Addition to Our Current Uniform –

The P&D have been negotiating with Mr White for some time regarding the introduction of a new dress option to our uniform. The fabric used before is now unavailable and we feel that this choice best matches our current uniform.

Once approved, the dresses will be available to special order from Flemington's Menawar 92 Vincent St, Cessnock for $38.95. A sample dress will be available for your inspection in the school office.

Please note: the sample has piping detail and ears will not.

The sample uniform is that of Holy Spirit Infants School in Aberman which Flemington's Menawar readily stocks. This will enable anyone interested in ordering, to identify the correct size in store, prior to placing an order. More information will become available soon...

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PIRATE STORYTIME

Aharr, me hearty's, a special Evening Story time to launch this year's Summer Reading Program!

WHEN: Thursday November 27 5.30pm—6.30pm
WHERE: Kurri Kurri & Cessnock Libraries
AGE: 2-8, but younger & older siblings also welcome!
COST: Free!

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www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au

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281 Long Street
Kurri Kurri NSW 2327
Ph: 4937 1638
karen.bruce@cessnock.nsw.gov.au

Cessnock City Library
65-67 Vincent Street
Cessnock NSW 2325
Ph: 4993 4299
library@cessnock.nsw.gov.au

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THE SEBEL KIRKTON PARK HUNTER VALLEY

A Very Merry Sebel Christmas Lunch

Spend the family this Christmas and indulge in a Christmas themed lunch at the Sebel Kirkton Park! Your day will be complete as the kids enjoy our craft room, there will even be a visit from Santa!

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New Years Eve In The Rose Garden

Experience the New Year at The Sebel Kirkton Park! The perfect party under the stars.

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For reservations contact our Events Team today:
(02) 4993 1309 or H8797-SH@accor.com
http://www.sebelhuntervalley.com.au

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