Prinicipal's Report

Mr Graham White

Books In Homes

Mrs Pearson has spent numerous hours sorting and packing this term’s Books in Homes bags. The children selected their books earlier in the term and will be presented to them tomorrow at 2.30pm in the school library.

Please, come along and enjoy the afternoon with the children.

Public Speaking

All children will begin their speeches in class starting on Monday next week, with finalists selected from each class to present their speech in Friday’s assembly. Adjudicating the finals will be retired principal of Laguna Public School, Mrs Christine Davies. Mrs Davies will select the students that will then go through to Zone Public Speaking to be held on 4th & 5th August.

All speeches are to be prepared at home and the use of palm cards is highly recommended. For the smaller children, pictures can be used. Remember to use a great opening statement to capture the audience’s attention.

Calendar – Upcoming Events

Term 2

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20th June

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Paxton Public School is once again participating in the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program and we would love your support!

Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart is an exciting and non-competitive program which encourages children to become more active through skipping and learning new skills.

All students should have received a sponsorship form with their name on it (if your child has a sponsorship form with someone else’s name it please return it to school ASAP), which is used for raising vital funds for heart research and community health programs. All students that raise money for this great charity receive a thank you gift from the Heart Foundation.

On Friday 27th June we will be holding a Jump Off, an event to celebrate and culminate the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program. Please make sure all student sponsorship forms and money are return by this date.

Tips for a Safe Winter

Winter is well and truly upon us. There is little better than to curl up with a hot chocolate in front of a warm heater. Out come the electric blankets, the hot water bottles and slippers.

To help keep you and your family safe, here is a simple winter safety reminder.

Check your Fire Alarms

Ensure your fire alarms are in place, have new long-lasting alkaline batteries and are functioning. Smoke alarms should be tested monthly by pressing the test button with a broom handle. Smoke alarms should be vacuumed regularly to clean the vents.

Mains powered smoke alarms also have back-up batteries – check with the manufacturer if your model has batteries that need to be replaced regularly, or whether it has a re-chargeable battery.

Fire Services recommend that you replace your smoke alarm (both battery powered and 240v hard-wired types) after ten years as it may start to fail after this period. A year of manufacture date is displayed on all smoke alarms.
Please return all order forms and money to school **TOMORROW** - 13th June 2014 -

Delivery date for all orders is Monday 23rd June 2014

If you didn’t receive an order form or you would like an extra one, please pick one up from the school office

**Change of day & time for P&C meetings**

We’ve had a few parents wanting to attend our meetings which are normally held on a Wednesday morning. We will be trialling a new day and time for our meetings hoping this may suit more parents who would like to become more involved.

Everyone is welcome to come along.
We hope to see you there.

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**LUNCH Wallets**

Re-usable lunch wallets are available to purchase from the school office for $6.00 each

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**Excel Hunter Tours - Sydney Shopping Trip**

Saturday 8th - Sunday 9th November 2014.

Cost per person $260 which includes -
Coach travel both days, Muffin and juice on approach to Sydney, Lunch at the Star Garden Buffet, Overnight accommodation at the Holiday Inn Darling Harbour, Full buffet breakfast Sunday morning with late checkout if we decide to check out Paddy’s, wine and cheese on the way home. More detail to come...

Deposit of $50 can be paid at the school office to secure your seat.

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**Just a quick reminder**

Please pay for all P&C fundraising events and canteen lunch orders with cash only.

The EFTPOS machine is unfortunately for office use only

**Sorry for any inconvenience**

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The next P&C committee meeting has been scheduled for **Monday 16th June 2014** at 11:00am in the school library.

~ Everyone is welcome to attend ~

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**Thank you for supporting Paxton Public School P&C**

~ Together we can make a difference ~

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GIRL GUIDES
The new MILLFIELD UNIT will commence on
Monday, 21st July, 4.30pm
St Luke’s Church Hall

Our Program is for girls of all ages, but our
groups are structured so that you can hang out
with girls your own age, in a safe, nurturing and
caring environment:
- Make new friends
- Learn new skills
- Have fun
- Be the best that you can be

Girl Guides is a non-denominational organisation,
welcoming Girls from all cultures, faiths and traditions,
and we are honoured that the community of St Luke’s
has offered us the use of their hall for our unit
meetings.

Your first two (2) visits are FREE so come try us out...
Unit Meetings are every Monday afternoon
at 4.30-6.00pm, during school term, St Luke’s Church Hall

To find out more, Call Kylie on 0410 323 627
Email: cessnockguides@bigpond.com
www.girlguides-nswact.org.au

ELLALONG
WOODCHOP
AND
MINERS
CHALLENGE

ELLALONG
HOTEL

SATURDAY
16 AUGUST 2014

Chop commences
10.30am

Austar Miners
Sowing Challenge

BBQ catering by
Ellalong Public
School

Fundraising for the
families of
Phil Grant & Jamie
Mitchell victims of
the Austar Coal
Mine tragedy

As a mark of respect
could all CFMEU
members that are
attending this event
please wear their lodge
shirts.

Major sponsors
BMS Constructions
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CFMEU