### School Term Dates 2015

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### Please Report Trespass/Vandalism Incidents to School Security on 1300 880 021

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The P&C meets on the 3rd Tuesday each month. All parents/carers and community members are welcome.
School Photos - School photos are tomorrow Tuesday 31 March. This year we are going to take a whole school photo at 9am. It is important that if students want to be in the photo that they are here promptly at 9am.

Students should wear their full school uniform, including black shoes.

Supervision in the Morning - A reminder that staff do not commence duty until 8:30am, half an hour before the school day starts, and supervision commences in the playground at 8:30am. Several students have been arriving at school before 8.30am. Children who arrive before 8.30am are unsupervised and must remain seated under the shelter. No guarantee can be given for children’s safety before 8:30am.

P&C - The P&C met on the 17 March for the AGM and unfortunately were not able to form a new committee.

At present we still need to fill the positions of Treasurer and Secretary. If you are interested in joining the P&C, please come along to our next meeting.

OoSH Drop offs - The safety of all staff and students at our school is paramount. When dropping students off at the OoSH, please walk students into the facility. Under no circumstances should cars be driven into the school grounds. We appreciate your support in this matter.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holidays. Staff return to school on Monday the 20 April and students return to school on Tuesday 21st April.

Mrs Janene Cook
Principal

Special Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received their special awards.

- Anhera  1-2W
- Jack     1-2W
- Amelia   1-2W
- Braidan Marshall 1-2W
- Emiellio Wilkins 1-2W

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following students.

- Logan     2S
- Hussain   2S
- Shefaa    5-6W
- Jessica   3-4E
- Malina    5-6G
- Jordan    5-6W
- Keira     4-5Z
- Mannon    1T
- Richard   5-6W

School Photos

School photos will be taken on tomorrow Tuesday 31 March. Please be at school before 9am as there will be a whole school photo taken and we do not want you to miss out.
Swimming Report

On 26 March 2015 we had our swimming carnival with CNPS and CPS. In total we had 13 children go.

Congratulations to those people who went.

Congratulations to Rachael, Samantha and Amy for making it to Zone. Rachael made it to Zone for 50m breaststroke, 50 m freestyle and 50m backstroke. Amy made it to Zone for 50m freestyle and Samantha made it for 100m, 200m & 50m freestyle, 50m backstroke 50m breaststroke and 50m butterfly.

Samantha & Rachael qualified for Regional. Rachael made it in 50m freestyle and Samantha made it for all her events.

A big congratulations to Samantha for making it to State for 50m butterfly but no further.

Report by Samantha Amy & Rachael.

School Banking

Teach your child how to save at an early age

Banking every Thursday

Place your bankbook in the blue box in the foyer and you will be able to pick your bank book up from the office that afternoon or it will be returned to the class teacher once processed if requested by parent/carer.
Australian School University Competition

The following NSW University competitions held at various dates throughout the year are available to primary age students – Year 3-6.

Your children are under no obligation to participate as they are your choice and at your expense to enter. All competitions cost $8 to enter, with the exception of writing $17 and the new Spelling Assessment, for primary students is $11.00.

Please return the correct money in an envelope which includes your child’s name and the competitions being entered by the due dates if you wish your child to enter.

☐ Science (Years 3-6)
☐ Digital Electronics (3-6)
☐ Writing (Years 3–6)
☐ Spelling (Years 3–6)
☐ English (Years 3–6)
☐ Mathematics (Years 3–6)

I give permission for Child’s Name______________________________Class _________
to enter the Australian School/University Competition (Please tick above box for competition of your choice.

Parent/Carer Name________________________

Parent/Carer Signature________________________

Date_______ I have enclosed $______ being total payment for Australian School/University Competition

Please Note there will be NO LATE ENTRIES taken. All Money and notes need to be placed in the blue letter box in the school foyer by the closing date. Remember entries will need to be in before school holidays.

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Parent/Carer Workshop

Do you want to meet people? Would you like to have a chat and enjoy a coffee or tea with other parents/carers?

Your help is needed for the parent/carer workshop. The workshop runs on

Thursday afternoons
1.30pm - 3pm
In the P&C room

Staff and teachers would appreciate your help with odd jobs such as cutting, pasting, laminating, and covering books and many other exciting jobs.

So please mark your 2015 calendar for Thursday afternoons.

Expression of Interest
High School 2015

Expression of Interest forms for placement in high school in 2016, have been sent home with Year 6 students. Could you please complete and return these forms as soon as possible? If you are enrolling your child in a private school these forms still need to be returned with that information indicated on the form.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Mrs Kerrie Heath
SAM

Uniform Stall

Don’t miss out on some great bargains!

2nd hand uniform items start from as little as $0.50 cents.

The uniform store is open on Thursday mornings 8.30am – 9am

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PARENT/CARERS WITH SOME SOME SPARE TIME TO HELP MAN THIS STALL

Please see Mrs Kerrie Heath in the office if you can spare just 1 hour per week
Head Lice

Nits are what we commonly call an infestation of head lice. Nits are actually the head lice eggs laid by the female louse. Head lice are a tiny wingless parasites that consists of nits, nymphs and adult lice. The nymph and louse family members consist of both male and female sexes and are referred to as head lice.

The infestation starts with head lice that are transferred from direct human contact, once the head lice have contact with the hair they have a firm grip and will scurry further up the strand of hair to the scalp. All of this happens extremely quickly.

Head lice adapt to their environment very quickly, once on the scalp they will begin to feed immediately, feeding three to four times a day and begin to lay eggs (nits). One female louse can lay between fifty and one hundred and fifty eggs in her lifetime – a maximum of thirty five days. In a lot of cases you can find nits close to the scalp and commonly around the back of the neck and behind the ears. The eggs are secured to the hair shaft with a glue-like sap the female excretes from her reproductive organ. Hence the reason nits need to be combed out or the embryo inside killed for complete removal. The eggs will hatch after seven to ten days producing a Nymph who, once moults into a Louse will reproduce more eggs in the next eighteen to twenty one days.

A treatment should be applied and, using a fine tooth comb (nit combs), the hair should be thoroughly combed for the best chance of properly removing the nits. Sometimes treatment will need to be repeated (seven to ten days later) to catch any undetected nits during the first treatment that would now be in the nymph stage of the head lice life cycle. NitWits All-in-One can reduce the frustration of head lice treatment as it is designed to kill head lice and their eggs without the need for tedious combing.

P&C News

There are still positions vacant on the P&C Committee. The next general meeting will be on Tuesday 21 April at 6.30 in the school hall. The position of Secretary and Treasurer is still vacant.

Please come along to this meeting and vote. You will need to be a financial member so please pay your $1.00 prior to the meeting.

Easter Raffle

Donations required for our prizes in the Easter raffle. Please leave Easter eggs at the front office.

Raffle tickets will be sent home with your child this week.

- 3 for $5.00
- Or $2.00 each

The order forms for the mother’s day stall are included in this newsletter.

Canteen News

We urgently need volunteers to help in the canteen in 2015 as quite a few volunteers from last year have moved on due to other work or family commitments. We would therefore like to take this time to thank them for their valued support and wish them all the best.

Volunteers Needed to help
(Please see Michelle in Canteen)
Museum News

Camden Show
Military Tattoo 2015

Wow! what a huge couple of days the Soldiers Settlement Museum committee had at the Camden Show. It was such an honour to be approached by the Camden Show Society to be part of the Military Tattoo exhibits.

A huge thanks to Karen, Les, Aaron & Caleb Winch, Gillian & Colin Lugate, Eddy Tesler, Fred Gonnett, Kerrie Heath, Nick Brumann, Peta, & Lauren Emery for making our "hands on display" a huge success.

On Friday alone we were told there were 3000 registered students who attended the show. It was a very busy day with thousands of children dressing up in uniform and using the items on display, learning what it was like to be a soldier during war time.

It was also a huge honour winning First Place as part of the exhibits for the Military Tattoo.

Below are some photos of the exhibits
Election Day

We were also busy last Saturday 28 March 2015 for Election Day, the SSM held a sausage sizzle and there were lots of market stalls for voters to browse through. Again thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who helped out on the day.

Next Open Day

Our next Open Day is Sunday 12 April from 8am – 2pm.

ANZAC Day

We will also be open from 9.30am till 2pm on ANZAC Day.

LEST WE FORGET

If you have a stall you would like to have at the markets please contact Kerrie Heath on 4626 2022 for details and cost.
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iPhone & iPad Users
1. Click the “App Store” icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click “Free” then “Install”.
4. If iPad, change the drop list to “iPhone Apps”, your school will then be visible, click “Free” then “Install”.
5. When installed click “Open”.
6. Select “OK” to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the “More” button on the bottom right of the App, then “Setup”.
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

Android Users
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
1. Click the “Play Store” button on your Android Device.
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the “Install” button.
5. Click “Accept” for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
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Dear Parents/Carers

Mothers Day Stall

This year the P&C will again be running a Mothers Day stall, to be held on Thursday 7 May 2015. The stall is a not-for-profit service that is offered purely for the benefit of the students.

In addition to the usual “mum” gifts, we will also have “for someone special” gifts if your child would like to purchase a gift for Nan or someone else important in their life.

The gifts will be $5.00 each.

Please enclose your order and payment in an envelope and place it in the red P&C mailbox located in the office. All orders must be received by 3pm, Friday 1 May 2015. There will be strictly no orders taken after this time, as we need to place orders and allow sufficient delivery time for your gifts.

Regards

Mrs M Demitrislis
P&C President
16 March 2015

Mothers Day Gifts

My child .................................................. of class .............. would like to purchase the following gifts at the Mothers Day stall:

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Parent / Carer Name ........................................................................................................

Signed .................................................................................................................................... Date................................................
National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2015

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2015 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student’s right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 12-14 May 2015.

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In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Friday 15 May – A ‘catch-up’ day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student’s normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child’s participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.
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To Register: www.autismfamilyfirst.com.au

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