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"Learn Wisely, Live Proudly"

From the Principal - Mrs Maraga

16 September 2015

K-2 Sports Carnival, a day of fun in the sun!

Tomorrow the younger members of our school community have the opportunity to have some fun when they participate in the annual K-2 Sports Carnival. This is a day where participation and enjoyment are the key focus areas. This is always a lovely day of fun activities. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join us on the oval to cheer on our competitors.

Disco Fever to hit Regentville on Thursday!

The final disco for the year will be held on Thursday evening. It will be a great night with lots of dancing under the disco lights! The wonderful teachers and volunteers from our parents and friends enable this great P&C fundraiser to be such a great night for the girls and boys while raising funds to support the learners at our school.

Parent / Teacher interviews provide an opportunity for discussion on student's progress.

Thank you to all our parents and caregivers who took the opportunity to attend our formal interviews during the last week. We really value the ongoing communication with parents in discussing the learning goals for all our children. You are encouraged to make an appointment with your child's class teacher at any time to discuss any aspects of your child's education that requires clarification or discussion.

Our school grounds are looking good as the facelift continues !

The ongoing playground upgrade is continuing. This week the play equipment is having new wet pour rubber laid and the basketball court is being improved with new drainage and resurfacing of the court. The artificial turf laid outside the Library looks fabulous and has made an improvement to our school appearance and functionality.

Learning Potential App to assist families to become involved in their children's learning

The Learning Potential app, which is available for free on Android and Apple devices, makes it easier for parents and carers to be part of their child's learning, and will help get the most out of the time they spend with their child.

The app is packed full of helpful articles and videos that offer tips and ideas for parents to become more involved in their child's learning.

The app is available for downloading from the App Store and Google Play.

You can find out more at www.australia.gov.au/learningpotential

Holiday reading is a great habit for your child to develop

I would encourage all students to continue to read each and every day throughout the holidays.

While the use of technology can be engaging for students, there is still a place for children to read books. The habit of reading each day for pleasure is a great one that we can develop in our children. Books can be accessed for free from the Library so why not make a family visit to the Penrith City Library this holiday!

Dates for the Calendar	
17 Sep	Infants Sports Day
17 Sep	DISCO
18 Sep	Term 3 ends
6 Oct	Students return Term 4
7 Oct	Year 6 Canberra and Snow trip
19 Oct	Milo Cricket Regional Finals
2 Nov	Swim School

Payments Due	
15 Oct	YMCA Camp Yarramundi Year 4 3rd Instalment \$50
21 Oct	Swim Scheme Year 2 & 3 \$60
	General School Contribution can be paid at anytime \$40/\$80

School Swimming Scheme

Swimming School is running again this year. We have two sessions starting from the 2th November to the 13th November. It is open to students from Year 2 to year 3. With the summer holidays approaching it is a wonderful opportunity for your children to develop necessary skills in swimming and water safety. Notes have been handed out to students and money needs to be returned ASAP. Remember places are allocated on a first in basis.



Any queries please contact Mrs Hand

Star Performers

- Well done to Evander 4O and Joseph 56R who qualified for the State Athletics Carnival to be held next term.
- Great effort from the Royce Simmons Shield Rugby League team who made it to the district final and were runners up after receiving a wildcard entry.
- Congratulations to Harrison 5J who was selected in the Sydney West Water Polo team.
- Congratulations also to Ayden 5J who was selected in the Sydney West Softball team.

Road Safety Around the School

A number of parents have contacted the school to report incidents regarding the dropping off and picking up of students around our school.

There are several key points that need to be highlighted:-

- The 'Kiss-and-Drop' zones **are not** parking areas. They are designed for parents to stay in the car with the engine running, to drop off/pick up, then leave. Under normal circumstances this process should take no longer than 20 seconds. Council Rangers and Highway Patrol cars randomly patrol these areas;
- Students have been asked not to walk out into the bus bay area at the back to get into waiting cars;
- The car park areas are not to be used to pick up students or as pedestrian access. **CAR PARKS ARE FOR STAFF PARKING ONLY.**
- There are pedestrian crossings at the front and rear of the school that should be used at all times. Adults need to model safe practices to all students;
- Parking on or near the pedestrian crossing is illegal and extremely dangerous.

We are aware that parking spaces are limited, however, it is everyone's responsibility to ensure that our students are not put in danger.

Some parents ask their children to wait 5 to 10 minutes before coming and picking them up. If you are able to wait a few minutes, the congestion eases to make picking up quick and easy.

We look forward to your support with these issues to help make our school area safe for the students.



Thank you to everyone for participating in the Father's Day Stall. We have managed to raise just over \$2500.

A big **THANK YOU** to the following helpers:
Danielle Bowden, Sue Hopton, Julie Baltazar,
Ben Wilkes, Holly Parker, Zavera Rolands,
Kerrie Catt, Dana Kairau, Melissa Micallef,
Megan Simmons, Sally Simmons and student
helpers Riley, Max, Amelia, Rhiannon, Matt and
Luke.

Term 3 DISCO

Thursday 17 September

K-2 5.30pm — 7.00pm
3-6 7.15pm — 8.45pm

**Doors will close 15 minutes
after start time and not open
until the end of the disco for
safety reasons**

DISCO PRICE LIST

TICKETS - \$3.50

DRINKS/WATER - \$1.50

CHIPS - \$1.00

WICKED FIZZ - \$0.50

GECKOS - \$0.50

GLOWSTICKS - \$0.50 OR 3 FOR \$1.00

TICKETS

Buy your tickets at
the door prior to the
disco

Lollies, drinks and chips for
sale on the night



Artists at Regentville

Four students' **Amity (1G)**, **Dylan (1H)**, **Annabelle (1B)** and **Eamon (KC)** artworks were selected to represent Regentville Public School at the annual 'Operation Art' exhibition.

Annabelle (1B) will have her artwork firstly be exhibited in The Art Gallery of NSW before touring regional galleries for a year before becoming part of the Westmead Children's Hospital permanent art collection. She was selected from approximately 900 other children for this honour.

Eamon (KC) will have his artwork displayed in a regional hospital in New South Wales. He was selected from approximately 900 other children for this honour.





FIONA SCOTT MP
Federal Member for Lindsay

MEDIA RELEASE

Wednesday, August 26 2015

LEARNING POTENTIAL APP TO BENEFIT LINDSAY STUDENTS

Federal Member for Lindsay, Fiona Scott MP has welcomed the launch of an innovative new mobile app to encourage parents to get more involved in their children's education.

The Learning Potential mobile app was launched recently by the Minister for Education and Training, the Hon Christopher Pyne MP.

"This app offers inspiring ways for parents and carers to become more involved in their child's learning, from the high chair through to high school," Mr Pyne said.

Fiona Scott said parents and students in Lindsay and right across NSW would benefit from the Learning Potential app.

"The Learning Potential app, which is available for free on Android and Apple devices, makes it easier for parents and carers to be part of their child's learning, and will help get the most out of the time they spend with their child," Fiona Scott said.

"The app is packed full helpful articles and videos that offer tips and ideas for parents to become more involved in their child's learning.

"Parents' involvement is an important part of a good education and with the strong support of school teachers and families, children can do better through their school life.

"The app is available for downloading from the App Store and Google Play, and I encourage all parents to check it out," Fiona Scott added.

The Learning Potential website also contains all of the content from the app to make sure that content is available to people who do not own a smart device, with all content available in an accessible format.

You can find out more at www.australia.gov.au/learningpotential.

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