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From the Principal - Mrs Maraga

2 November 2016

External Validation

Regentville PS hosted a panel of Principals and the Director of NSW Public Schools, Blue Mountains to share our school's achievements against the School Excellence Framework. Our visitors were very impressed by the quality of teaching, learning and leading that occurs in our school each and every day. Copies of our Evidence Sets will be on display in the foyer.

Kindergarten 2017

Over the last week, we have had the pleasure of meeting many of the new 2017 Kindergarten students and their families at enrolment interviews. It was wonderful to meet so many new children who are excited to be coming to school next year. There are a large number of new families who are also excited about joining our school community. We will welcome them all together at the upcoming Kindergarten Orientation Days being held on Wednesday 9 November and Thursday 24 November.

Penrith Valley Public Speaking Competition

Last week a number of our students competed at the Cluster Final for the Penrith Valley Public Speaking Competition held at our school. We have three students, Cohan, Mia and Harry who won their respective age groups and who will now progress to the final to be held on Monday 14 November at Glenmore Park PS. Students from over twenty schools have been competing to make it to the final with only the top six from each age group battling it out for the honour of being District Champion. We wish them well for the final.

Ballroom Dance Championships

Last week our Ballroom Dancers competed at the annual Ballroom Dancing Championships held at Werrington Stadium. There were a large number of students competing and our students qualified for the finals in Samba, Barn Dance, Cha Cha, Waltz and Gypsy Tap. It is a great reward for the many hours of practise they put in over the course of the year.

GPLA Enrichment Day

Two weeks ago, a number of our students were involved in the Glenmore Park Learning Alliance (GPLA) Enrichment Afternoon held at Glenmore Park HS. The students were able to participate in a variety of enrichment activities presented by teachers from local schools. These activities included debating, photography and drama. A number of our teachers were also involved in the organisation and presentation of activities.

Year 4 Camp

The Year 4 students and teachers will be off to camp at YMCA Yarramundi on Thursday and Friday this week. They will be involved in many great activities and will no doubt bring back many great stories to share with their family and friends.

Dates for the Calendar

9 November	Kindergarten Orientation Day 1
7 th to 18 November	School Swimming and Water Safety Program
14 November	Public Speaking Finals
17 November	Year 6 Fun Fair
24 November	Kindergarten Orientation Day 2
25 November	Last day awards trading
15 December	K-2 Party Day

Payments Due

	General School Contribution \$45 per student or \$90 per family (Instalments can be paid at any time)
7 Nov	Year 6 Fun Fair Pass & Tokens \$6
8 Dec	K-2 Party Day \$5

ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

We are still accepting Kindergarten enrolment applications for 2017.

If you have a child, or a friend who has a child, who turns five before the 31 July 2017 now is the time to enrol.

Stewart House Bags

All Stewart House bags need to be returned to the school (near Bruce's Shed, behind hall) by the end of this week (Friday 4th Nov) as they are being picked up early next week.

Thank you everyone for your

SRC Rainbow Day

The SRC received \$600 in donations on Rainbow Day to help pay for a beautiful mural in the Quiet Area.

Thankyou to everyone for your support.



WHITE RIBBON DAY TWILIGHT RIVER WALK FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER 5.30PM - 7.30PM

3.5km walk from Weir Reserve to Tench Reserve, Penrith
Speeches and White Ribbon Oath reading commence 6:30pm at Tench Reserve

Penrith Council is proud to support White Ribbon Day to help bring an end to violence against women in our community. Join us and show your support at this free community event.

Current statistics show that nearly three women are killed every week by a former or current partner. Too many Australian women live with fear and violence. It could be your mother, wife, sister, daughter, friend, partner, colleague... Stopping the violence is everyone's responsibility.

Food stalls and live music at Tench Reserve until 7.30pm. Don't forget your sunscreen, hat, comfortable walking shoes and water.

FREE SHUTTLE BUS BACK TO WEIR RESERVE FROM 6.30PM. WHITE RIBBON MERCHANDISE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE EVENT WITH ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO THE WHITE RIBBON FOUNDATION.

For more information contact Roslyn on 4732 8512.

In support of

Australia's campaign to Stop violence against women

White Ribbon

PENRITH CITY COUNCIL



White Ribbon Day, 25 November

Do your bit to help stop the violence against women
penrithcity.nsw.gov.au

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Helpers Wanted this Thursday!

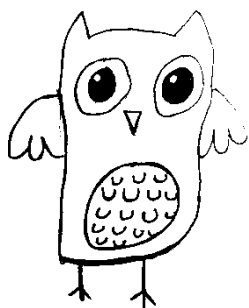
We are currently in the process of purchasing lots of wonderful new books for our students to read as part of their learning in English. We are also re-vamping the reading resource room.

If you would like to come along to help with some sorting, gathering, stamping and possibly some covering of books, we would love to have you.

Date: Thursday 3rd November

Time: 9am-11:30am

Where: Office



Reggie says congratulations to the following people for being our weekly winners!

	K-2	3-6
Safe	Nathaniel - KL	Riley – 6J
Respectful	Taylor – 1L	Shaun – 6J
Learner	Isabelle – 1G	Jake – 3P
Green	Brodie – 1/2R	



Coffee Connect

Parents and teachers, come and connect with the people in our school community and enjoy a coffee.

Served fresh by 'Café Au Go Go'
Monday mornings
next to the library.
CASH ONLY





Ballroom Dancing Championships

On Tuesday 25th October, 29 students from Stage 2 and 3 went to the Cambridge Park Basketball Stadium to compete in the Sydney Ballroom Championships against 15 other schools. Every student danced amazingly. For many students this was their first opportunity to compete in the competition. The smile on each and every dancers face was marvellous to see. Many couple made the semi and grand finals. I look forward to working again next year with these wonderful dancers.



Christmas in
the Quiet Area
2016



Save the Date

When: Wednesday 14th December

Who: Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2

Time: Kindergarten 9-9.40am
Year 1 9.40-10.20am
Year 2 10.20-11.00



K-2 would love you to join us for an end of year Christmas celebration. The children can wear red and green clothing to help celebrate this special day☺

More information to follow at a later date☺

SAVE THE DATE! NUMERACY WORK ACTION SHOP

N O V E M B E R 2 2 , 2 0 1 6

encourage
learning **engage** with maths
connect with
teachers

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Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 9 March 2017.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2018, you need to do so soon. You will need to **apply on the internet** using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 11 October 2016 in a printed application information booklet and at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. The application website opens on **11 October 2016** and closes on **14 November 2016**. **No late applications will be accepted.**

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 11 October 2016.

You must submit only **ONE** application for each student. Remember the tear-off strip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely



Karen Maraga
Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday 21 October.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you *intend* to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE.

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2018

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I am interested in applying for selective high school entry in 2018

Yes ☐

No ☐

If Yes EITHER

I have internet access and will be applying online

☐

OR

I do not have internet access

☐

Signature of parent/carer: _____ Date: _____

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School Student Transport Scheme Applications open 10 October 2016

From Monday 10 October 2016 parents, guardians and students over 16 years, will be able to apply for 2017 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel pass by visiting www.transportnsw.info/school-students

Information for parents and students

School travel passes only need to be updated when a student:

- changes address, or
- changes school or campus.

A new application is required when:

- applying for an SSTS pass for the first time,
- enrolling in Kindergarten,
- progressing from Year 2 to Year 3,
- progressing from Year 6 to Year 7, or
- requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.

For more information on planning your school travel, visit www.transportnsw.info or contact your local operator.

Passes for 2017 travel

Opal network: Please remind ALL your students to keep their School Opal cards for travel in 2017. These cards will be automatically deactivated for school holidays and then reactivated for school travel in term one. Current School Opal card can be updated with changes of school, home address or operator.

Rural and regional travel: Student's travelling with operator issued passes will receive a new pass in the new school year.



Cowan and Lewis ONLINE STORE NOW OPEN

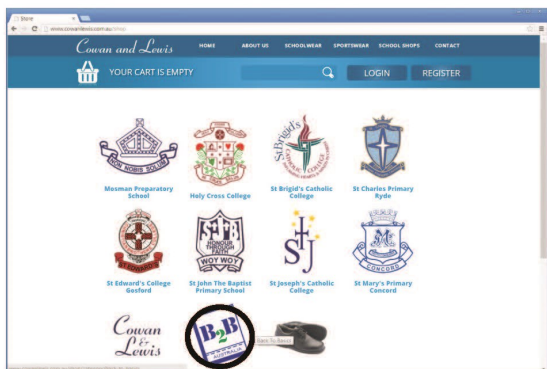


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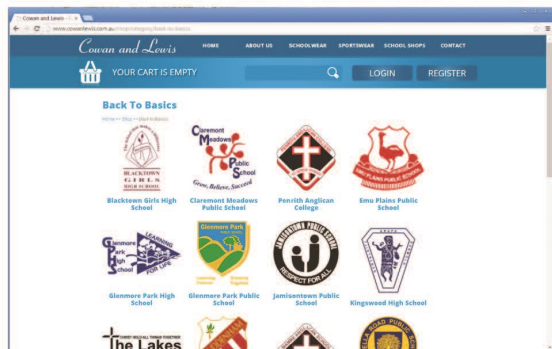
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Hover over the **SCHOOLWEAR** link
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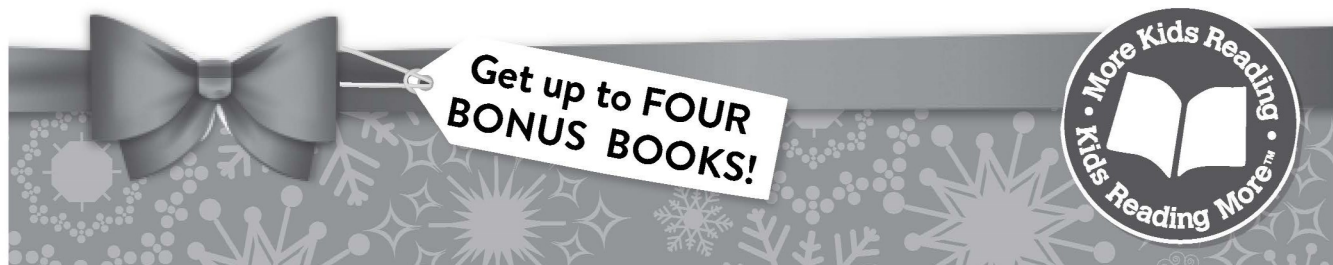
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Book Club

The **Gift Function** enables you to tag **Book Club** orders on **LOOP** that are intended as a surprise gift. This feature can be used throughout the year, providing your **Book Club Organiser** has enabled the gift function for your school. **LOOP** orders tagged as a gift will be delivered to school and marked accordingly, for the **Book Club Organiser** to set aside at the school office for you to collect.

How to use the Gift Function on Book Club **LOOP** scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Follow these **easy** steps!

1 **LOG-IN**

2 Select the **ORDER** tab

3 Select your **ISSUE**

4 Check the box **GIFT ORDER**

NOTE: ALL ITEMS ON THIS ORDER WILL
BE MARKED AS A GIFT.



5 Enter the book number shown on the Catalogue

6 Select **NEXT** to finalise your order

PLEASE NOTE, THE ITEMS DO NOT COME GIFT WRAPPED.

For books that can be delivered directly to your child,
please submit a separate order.



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CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Please complete your drawing within the box below. Drawings can be portrait or landscape.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a child's drawing.

Childs name: _____

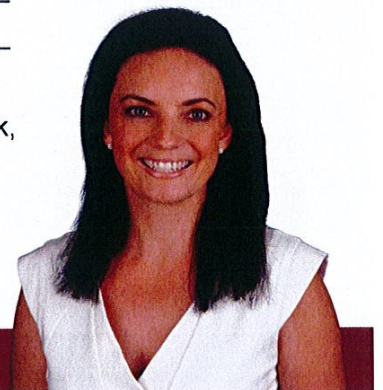
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Parents name: _____

Email: _____

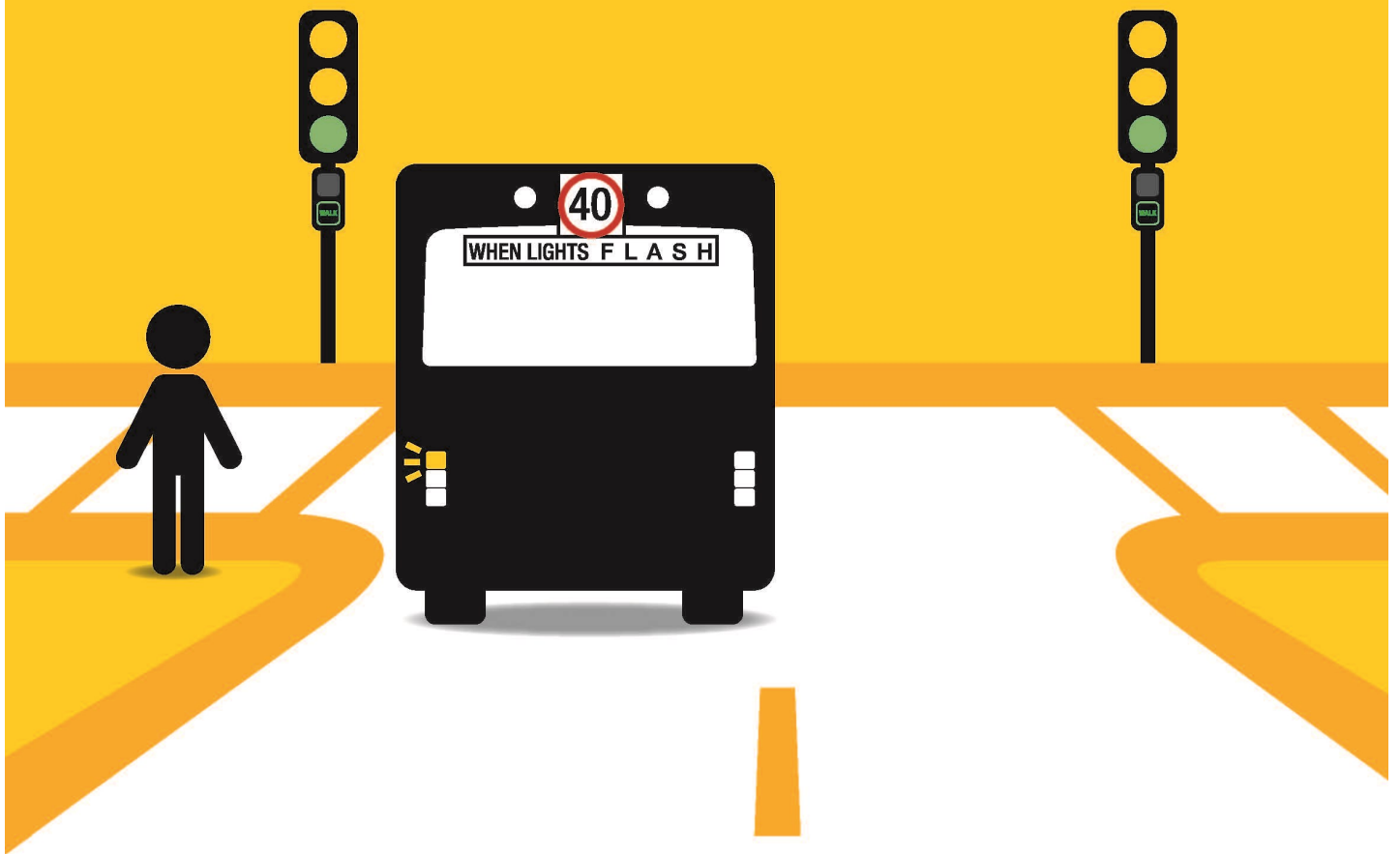
Phone: _____

I, _____, give permission for my son's/daughter's artwork,
first name, school grade and school to be used in Christmas Promotion.



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and cross with care



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Reduce speed to 40
when lights are flashing



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Buses can't
stop quickly



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BE SAFE ON AND AROUND BUSES. BE BUS AWARE!



Follow the rules and cross with care



Give way to buses



Reduce speed to 40 when lights are flashing



Plan ahead and don't rush for the bus



Bike riders take care around buses

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Regentville PS Skoolbag App

If you haven't already downloaded our school app please do so. It's a great way of receiving up to date information from your school. We are using the Skoolbag app as an additional way to communicate with parents about what is happening at school. The instructions below detail how to download the free app.



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and 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. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
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 by tapping the on/off switch.



For 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).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
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 by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 81 Windows Phone or Windows 81/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 81 version Windows Phones, or Windows 81 and 10 devices.

