Wednesday, March 9th

Calendar

Term 1

SWIMMING FOR SPORT:
Thursday, March, 3rd

P&C CANTEEN: Friday, March, 4th.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA:
Friday, March, 4th

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM:
Monday, March, 7th.

Ready4School
Wednesday, March 9th.

NITBUSTERS PROGRAM
Wednesday, March 9th.

SWIMMING FOR SPORT:
Thursday, March, 10th

P&C CANTEEN: Friday, March, 11th.

P&C MEETING: Friday, March, 11th.

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM:
Monday, March, 14th.

Ready4School
Wednesday, March 16th.

On Friday, April 1st, we will be meeting students from Milbrodale Public School in a Pink Stumps Cricket Challenge. Our team will be “in-training” until the event, and is being managed by Klint Williams and Miss Em. The participation of parents in key school events builds on our culture of commitment and community involvement. These standards, along with our Positive Behaviour for Learning values, are the benchmark for the behaviour of all who align themselves with our school.

This week I, and the students of Years 3-6, took stock of what is acceptable and unacceptable behaviour. We took time out to think about the things we do and say, and the things we don’t do, and don’t say. We talked about the responsibility we have to ourselves, as well as to each other, to behave honourably and honestly, and in consideration of the feelings of others. These are mature concepts; most of us know adults who aren’t there yet in terms of taking responsibility. However, learning to take responsibility for one’s actions as a child will go a long way to ensuring a happy, fulfilling adulthood. So, we have decided that it’s not anybody else’s fault, and no-one else is to blame, the decisions each of us makes are solely our responsibility.

Regina
Working With Children Check

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK DECLARATION or CLEARANCE
All volunteers who are working around the school, at Canteen, at P&C functions, or at any time children are present are required to obtain a WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC) Declaration or Clearance.

WWCC Application Process
If you would like to volunteer within the school community could you please apply for a volunteer clearance following the instructions below.

How to apply:
Complete the online application form which can be accessed at: http://www.newcheck.kids.nsw.gov.au
If you cannot access the online system, call the Children’s Guardian customer service on (02) 9286 7276 and an officer will complete the application form for you.
Once you have made an application, you will receive an application number.
Present your application number to a NSW Motor Registry, along with proof of identity (which consists of the same proof required when applying for a NSW driver's licence). For information about the NSW Motor Registry nearest you, telephone 13 22 13.
Once your application has been processed, the Children’s Guardian will notify you of the outcome by email or post.
When this is completed, you will be sent an email confirming your application and you will need to bring a copy of this email to the school office.

This term we are trialling a new format for our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden lessons. Each week, a Guest Chef is responsible for driving the preparation and delegating duties. They set up work stations and order the tasks to suit the needs of each week’s menu. This week, Shiane’s team (The Cabbages) worked together to produce Son-in-law eggs with sticky rice, and served them with steamed Asian greens and beans. Shiane, Sophie, Jayda, Lilly-Jane and Aylah worked well together to present an enjoyable meal.

Photographs, Video Footage, YouTube & Social Media
This is a reminder to all parents that we need to continue to respect the privacy of other students and their families. If you are taking photos or video footage of school activities, please stay focused on your child. The images that you capture are not to be uploaded onto any social media sites, including YouTube and Facebook and like sites, without the express permission of the students concerned, their parents and the school. We appreciate your ongoing cooperation in regard to this matter.

Principal Contact: Phone: 6576 4018 Mobile: 0488106697 regina.stoltenberg@det.nsw.edu.au

Our students will be doing their part this Friday when they will be checking the school grounds for any rubbish left laying around.
Years 3–6

Making Connections

Reading Groups are off to a running start this term, with students choosing books that interest them, at their reading level. We are focussing on:
1. Reading and understanding the questions
2. Answering in full sentences
3. Accurate spelling
4. Quality bookwork

These aspects of the lesson are teaching skills that are crucial to becoming independent and effective learners. Please talk to your child about their Reading Groups text.

K/2 Corner

Our PBL focus over the next few weeks will be ‘being in the right place at the right time’. This is a good opportunity for us to ensure that our young people fully understand what their responsibilities as a student are. Sometimes it is difficult for our K-2 students to be organised and ready to learn on time so this will be a big focus for the rest of the Term. As of next week, Years 1 and 2 will begin working on ‘Reading Box’ activities during reading groups. These activities not only help to develop students reading skills, but their literal and inferential comprehension as well. Kindergarten are officially half way through learning all of their Jolly Phonics sounds and are beginning to blend them together to make simple words.

SPOTLIGHT ON P&C

The next P&C meeting
March, 11th

Canteen will need Friday helpers if we are to continue this year. We ask that all parents get involved where possible. Please contact the School with dates that you will be able to assist in preparing recess and lunch, from 10.30am—2.00pm. If there are not enough volunteers canteen will not be an option.

Friday Cake Raffle…

50 cents a ticket to support our Leadership Team.

Congratulations to last weeks winner, Mrs Stoltenberg (the whole school got to enjoy some yummy cake)

Friday, February 26th Codie Gee
Friday, March 11th Tori Brickell
Friday, March 4th Robin Solman
Friday, March 18th Jeni Bos

P.B.L. FOCUS

RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME
• Knowing where you should be
• Following teacher directions
• Avoiding out-of-bound areas

Canteen!!
Please have orders and payment at School by Thursday each week.

Friday, February 26th Sarah & Annie
Friday, March 4th Robin Solman & Nat
Friday, March 11th Friday, March 18th
Positive Parenting Program: This internationally-acclaimed program is available to the families of Jerrys Plains. The course comprises 10 interactive sessions, with take-home work for practical application. Please indicate your interest and return to the Office as soon as possible.

I am interested in participating in the Positive Parenting Program.

The following days/times suit me best.

My contact details are:

Singleton Netball Association currently has a vacancy in our netta division. If you have a daughter turning 7 or eight this year we would love to hear from you at singletonnetball@hotmail.com

Facts about the Dairy Industry

Many Australian farms started as small family farms which were typically handed down through the family.

Sponsored by the Gee Partnership. Local family proudly producing quality milk.

Ready4School

Sound of the week: S
Colour of the week: yellow

Each week our little ones follow a program of sequential learning, covering fundamental concepts such as sounds, numbers, colours and shapes. This week they have explored the sound ‘s’, the number ‘3’, the colour ‘yellow’ and the shape ‘square’. Please reinforce these concepts in the environment.