



NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

22nd October	Interschool Ashdale PS Sprint, Team Games & Relays
23rd October	Information Session Kindy & PP 2010 PP-Yr 3 Dance Last Day Uniform Orders
26th October	Paint in Motion Incursion
27th October	Year 7 Immunisation Assembly Room 4

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

One week down already and the students are back in the full swing of things. For me one of the biggest changes in schools today from "The good old days" is the variety of experiences and learning opportunities the kids are exposed to. Here are some of the activities from the first two weeks at school:

Our Pre Primary visit the Museum

Dancesport for P-3

Gardening

Interschool jumps, throws and long distance

Our Performing Arts group practicing for Wham Jam

All of these activities help make school a fun and interesting place for most kids.

Whilst these activities are happening, fantastic work continues in our classrooms. Our senior students are writing some terrific narratives, which so far have made for great reading. Ask your child to show you their work. The senior cluster is always a hive of activity with many amazing things going on. At any one time you may find science experiments happening, cars being designed for T&E, movies being produced for English or the delicious smells of cooking wafting up from the ovens.

The Early years are continuing to do fantastic work in Literacy with a focus on both written and oral work. Teachers in the Early Years use Braidy as a tool to teach the explicit structure of narrative, first orally and then in written format.

After school today, Early Years teachers will be working with Stacey Keyser, Speech and Language Support Officer from West Coast District Office to further add to their knowledge in this area.

It is wonderful to see the professionalism of all staff, across the school, as they continue to value add to their knowledge in all areas of the curriculum. As a school North Woodvale staff are committed to pursuing the best outcomes for their students.

REMINDER FOR MONIES OWING FOR:

DANCE SPORT	\$20.00
WHAM JAM	\$5.00
PAINT IN MOTION	\$3.00

NAPLAN

If your child is Year's 3,5 or 7 you've no doubt had the chance to look through their results from the NAPLAN testing. The tests provide a comparison between our students and students across Australia

From a parents point of view this gives you an idea about where your child sits. From a schools perspective it gives us valuable information for curriculum planning in 2010.

Teachers use the information to identify areas of strengths and weaknesses across the school and plan the curriculum focuses accordingly.

If you have any questions or concerns about NAPLAN please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher. They will be able to discuss your child's result and whether it is consistent with their day to day performance in class. The teacher will help with suggestions about what might be needed next for your child.

SCHOOL SECURITY

Last weekend the school had a minor break in. Luckily there was no damage and nothing stolen. If you happen to notice anyone hanging around the school grounds out school hours please don't hesitate to contact school security on .

SNAKE SCARE

Two mornings ago one our parents noticed a snake on the verge across the road from the school. Fortunately the snake was not alive (for the parent and her child) but it does serve as a timely reminder that as we begin to experience warmer weather our students will need to be cautious playing around areas of bush and long grass.

NEW COMPUTERS

At the end of last term we were able to add another 10 new computers to the computer area in the library. The area now has 32 computer which allows for one per student when a class is working in the library.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Just a quick reminder about the school website. We are always trying to add things to the website that will be useful for parents so if you have any ideas please don't hesitate to contact us. Our assembly leadership group have started to video our assemblies so they will be available on our website for parents and grandparents who are unable to attend. The videos are private and password protected. To view them you have to follow the steps on our website. These videos cannot be found on google, youtube or any other sites.

Dianna Spencer (Acting Principal)

Tom Hills (Deputy Principal)

CHRISTMAS FAMILY TALENT SHOW

There are still some vacancies for the end of year Talent Show. Please send in your forms ASAP for this wonderful Christmas family evening.

Thank you Mrs Deller



**PRE PRIMARY 2010
VACANCIES AVAILABLE
CALL INTO THE OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

LIBRARY BOOKS

Please check for any library books as there are still some outstanding from Term 3.

Thank You Mrs Bradley

PERSONAL ITEMS LISTS

Each child should have received their Personal Items Lists along with this newsletter. If you would like to order, these must be completed and returned to the school's admin office before Wednesday 4th November 2009 (cheque or credit details only - please DO NOT SEND CASH). Please remember, the school receives a commission from Jackson's Drawing Supplies and these funds go directly to helping your children - so please help our school.

P & C NEWS

CANTEEN NEWS

Lol and Mineral water is no longer available at the canteen. Play water (Fruit tingle, Lemonade, Raspberry or Blackcurrant) is still available for \$1.80 each.

LOST PROPERTY

Please note that the lost property bin will be emptied on Tuesday November 3rd. Unnamed uniforms will be donated to the uniform shop. Unnamed non uniform items will be given to charity. Please check for any items belonging to your children.

HALLOWEEN PARTY – FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2009 IN THE UNDERCOVER AREA

Kids, come along for a fun night of dancing, games and prizes. Come dressed to 'scare' or as your favourite character.

Junior (Kindy-Year 3) – 5.00pm – 6.30pm

Senior (Year 4-7) – 7.00pm – 9.00pm

Cost \$5 (includes chips and drink)

Tickets will be available for purchase in the Undercover Area 8.30-9.00am (Wednesday 28th-Friday 30th October). Refer to flier for more details.

Urgent – Parent Helpers Needed

To ensure that our Halloween Party is a fun night for all, we need volunteers for both the Junior and Senior parties to:

Help decorate and set up the Undercover Area (from 3.00pm)

Take tickets at the door

Help with toilet runs

Help in the canteen

Stay back and help clean up (from 9.00pm)

Help supervise the floor

Help with playing games

By helping out, you will be helping the P&C to provide a fun, safe and secure place for our children to have a great night out.

If you can help in any way please let Christine know on 0409 372 879 or Linden on 9409 9800

UNIFORM SHOP

REMINDER - The order closing date is this **Friday 23 October** – please note, no late orders can be accepted due to our suppliers' deadline. Notes on how to place your order are on the reverse of the order form. Extra forms are available in the front office if required. If you have more than one child at the school, it is OK to place all orders on one form.

The **Second Hand Mega Sale** was a great success, raising \$350. All proceeds of second hand sales go directly to the school to improve facilities for all of our children. Thank you for your kind donations.

Should you have any queries, please call Cathie Lynch 0448 877 083 or Di Kelly 0407 308 945.

FUNDRAISING BY NUTRIMETICS

Nutrimitics is selling luminous body lotion for just \$13.90. For every bottle we sell we will receive \$2.00 for the school. These will make a great Christmas present. Order forms have been sent out with this newsletter. Please complete and return to the office with cash or credit card payment by Friday 30th October 2009.

BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Bookclub is been collected on Thursday 29th October. All cheques need to be made payable to Scholastic Australia. If you are purchasing Christmas presents and need them held please make a note "**hold**" on the top of your order and indicate a contact number clearly on the form. If you have any queries please contact Carey Benier on 0432761342

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday 22nd October

Friday 23rd October

Monday 26th October

Tuesday 27th October

Wednesday 28th October

B.Millen, P.Stein

G. Bissett, M. Wood

A. Meikle, G.Morgan

L.Sharpe, S.Varis

F.Warnock, M.Green

