From the Principal...

K-2 Athletics Carnival & Sausage Sizzle - CANCELLED - The K-2 Athletics Carnival that was planned for tomorrow Wednesday, 5 November 2014 has been cancelled. This is due to the plovers and their three chicks which are currently occupying our school oval. It is not safe to have students, teachers and parents on the oval as the plovers are swooping the oval to protect their chicks. As we are unable to hold the carnival in different locations around the school or use Allambie Oval, this carnival has been cancelled for 2014. There will be no sausage sizzle tomorrow so please send your child with their recess and lunch. Your child’s payment of $4.50 will be held as credit towards an excursion planned in 2015. The sausage sizzle will be held later this term.

Good to Be Back - It was nice to officially return to Governor after my Long Service Leave. I enjoyed an extended holiday with my family travelling to the USA. I was a very proud parent watching my two daughters dance in the Main Street Parade in Disneyland California. Over 4 weeks we visited LA, New York, Florida and Las Vegas. The time spent together as a family was priceless with many amazing memories, photographs and souvenirs gathered along the way. As fun and exciting as travelling is it is always nice to return home and stop living out of suitcases and in hotel rooms.

A huge thank you to Mrs Power for again, doing a fantastic job as Relieving Principal. Thank you to Ms Halabe for relieving as Deputy Principal and Mr Samuel as Relieving Assistant Principal and Year 5 supervisor.

Currently Mrs Power is on long service leave until the end of Week 8. In her absence Mr Hamilton will be relieving as Deputy Principal, Miss Vella is relieving Assistant Principal (and Year 2 supervisor) and Mr Lorello is teaching 6GH.

Plovers - Unfortunately we have the plovers again occupying the top oval. They currently have 3 chicks which they are protecting. This has had implications for a number of events and organisation across our school. Our K-2 Athletics Carnival has had to be cancelled as there is no other space to hold such a big event. We have also needed to make alternative arrangements for lunch and recess break for our Year 2-6 students as the plovers are swooping and being extremely aggressive in protecting their chicks. I would suggest to our community to avoid using the back gate for students arriving and leaving school until the plovers have moved on.

Selective High Schools application: Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2016 - Online applications are now open. Applications are required by 17 November 2014 for parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2016. Application information booklet is available on the Department's internet at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

All applications must be made online. There are a limited number of information booklets available at the front office. These applications are for academically selective high schools.

2015 Enrolments - We have started looking at structures and staffing for the 2015 school year. We are requesting any families with students who will start Kindergarten next year to collect an enrolment form from the front office. This ensures students are included in the kindergarten orientation process which has commenced and allows our school to be staffed based on accurate numbers.
Values Education - The value for Weeks 5 and 6 is Compassion. Compassion is clarity of recognition with a warm heart of other people’s suffering, their needs and pain along with a practical & sustainable determination to do whatever is possible in order to help ease their suffering. It is being aware of how others think and feel. It is feeling sorrow and sympathy when others are distressed. Please encourage your child/children to be compassionate to others. Mrs S. Kumar, Student Engagement.

Safe, Respectful Learner Program - The focus for Weeks 5 and 6 is 'Be a Learner - Seek good role models'. Throughout our lives we learn many new things by watching others or listening to people such as teachers, parents, coaches and so on. We also learn many things from friends, peers or by using technology. However, we must learn to carefully choose whom we learn from and where we go to for help or information. Talk with your child/children about the importance of choosing good role models and being careful where they look for information. Ms A Dolz and Student Engagement Team.

P&C News - Year 6 students wanting Autograph Books, please get your order and money into the office by the end of the week.

The next P&C Meeting will be 7pm Wednesday 5th November. This will be the last meeting before the AGM in December. If you have a P&C enquiry please contact me on 0428 475 252 or email on gpks.pc@gmail.com, Mark Cavanaugh, P&C President.

PSSA Sport - Results Wet Weather Round 2.

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Have a great week!
Jason Corcoran
Principal
Free workshop for parents in the Fairfield Area.

Becoming Bi-Lingual - Growing up with more than one language

This workshop is designed to equip parents with the knowledge and scientific evidence about bilingual children and support parents to be confident in making choices when deciding to bring up their children to be bilingual in Australia. There are clear cultural benefits including; pride and confidence in cultural and linguistic heritage and identity; important family and cultural values are maintained and shared with future generations.

This workshop will discuss:
- How children acquire more than one language;
- Factors that influence the development of more than one language;
- Importance of maintaining home language;
- Bilingualism or language delay and how to tell the difference;
- A range of practical ideas which support the communication, play and participation of children developing a second language; and
- Promoting the communication development of these children and supporting their inclusion

Learning Links will provide translated resources in a variety of languages.

Suitable for: parents with children in primary school
Date: Thursday, 27th November 2014
Time: 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Location: Whitlam Library

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Light refreshments will be provided. This workshop is proudly supported by Club Marconi.

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Your Presenter

Kim Truong is a Speech Pathologist who holds a Bachelor of Applied Science in Speech Pathology.

Kim grew up in cross cultural environments and speaks Vietnamese and English. In her work, she sees many children who are learning more than one language and has developed a special interest in bilingualism.

Kim has previously worked at Learning Links Preschool. She continues to present workshops across a number of topics as part of the Learning Links workshops program. She is a Key Word Sign presenter, is accredited to run the Hanen ‘It Takes Two to Talk’ and ‘More Than Words’ programs and recently undertook training in the SOS Approach to Feeding.
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