PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

On Saturday we will be having a working bee and we would love to see you there if you have a spare hour or so. The focus is on a general tidy up - so if you have a yearning to sweep or rake or trim etc then please join us. Morning tea will be provided and it’s also a great opportunity to have a chat with other parents and children.

During Education Week, on Tuesday May 19th and on Thursday May 21st at 9.15am we will be conducting tours of the school for students who will be enrolling for 2010. If you have a child who will be enrolling to start prep next year, please join us. We will have enrolment forms and other relevant information available. You will get the chance to see the children at work and to talk about some of the programs that run at the school. If you know of others who may be interested in our school, please encourage them to come along.

Many thanks to our wonderful parent helpers who have put so much effort into the Mother’s Day stall. There is much planning and organisation that goes on behind the scenes but it is worth it to see the students having such a great time making their choices. I hope all the mums have a terrific day on Sunday and that you get the chance to put your feet up and relax.

Denise Webster

REMEMBER

WORKING BEE

SATURDAY 9TH MAY

FROM 8:00AM ~ 12:00PM

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Morning tea is supplied

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ART SHOW TICKETS

Tickets for the opening of the art show are selling fast. You can purchase these at any time now, by sending your order and payment along to school with your child and I will send the tickets home on the same day wherever possible. Tickets are $10 for a family of up to two adults and three children, or $3.00 for a single ticket.

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So start saving all those 5c pieces so you are ready to go when the competition begins.

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Sandie Wishart—Business Manager

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Later on they had a concert where the students performed different acts and they had a lot of fun.

On the second day they had their activities which were: possum ropes and ringtail ramble, nitro crossing, flying fish, beach volleyball, initiatives course and rock climbing wall.

That night they had a formal dinner where the boys partnered a girl or two girls. After their dinner they went on a beach walk and found some fisherman’s junk. When they arrived back at camp they roasted marshmallows over a fire while Mr Scott-Harvey played the guitar and the 6’s sang along.

The next day they packed up their cabins and loaded the bus then they went on the beach. Then they got on the bus and went back to school.

Thank you to all the staff that went on the camp.

By Tylar David & Isobel Cian 6/10

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SOUTHERN AREA CONCERT BAND
Together with Joyful Strains and Vocally Wild
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SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to Emily Cox and Nicole Ram (Netball), Lachie Rae and Ryan Carrison (Football) and Alana Hafoka (Soccer), for making it into the final stages of Winter Sport Zone Selection Trials. We wish them well for their continued progress.

Congratulations also go to all the grade 6 students who tried out. Striving to achieve your best and having a go are important life skills.

Mr Jim Griffin
Phys Ed Teacher

CANTEEN NEWS

Thanks to those people who have purchased lunch bags. They will be continually sold throughout Term 2.

Parents and students, please remember to put your name and grade on the paper bags.

Cup-a-soup is now also available with lunch orders for $1.00. We have ‘tomato’ or ‘cream of chicken’.

Thanks helpers for this week and thanks to Jo for helping me out last week.

Year 6 students will be assisting with window sales starting next week. Please check the roster in your classrooms.

Canteen Manager
Diane

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AFTER SCHOOL CARE

After school care is available in the EPS hall every day from 3:30pm to 6:15pm. Curriculum days are also available from 7:30am to 6:10pm.

For more information please come and see me in the school hall at 3:30pm.

Paromita ~0439 018 059, or call Kingston Council ~Charmaine ~9581 4867.

LOST PROPERTY

Parents should check the lost property box (at the office) if their child has misplaced an item of clothing. There are a number of unnamed items in the lost property box. Please remember to name all items of clothing, so they can be returned to your child.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

If you haven’t done so already, please come and collect your Education Maintenance Allowance cheque from the school office as soon as possible.

All unclaimed cheques will be returned to the Department.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday from 3:00pm–approx 4:15pm.
Order forms are available from the school office.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders are due Friday May 8th. No late orders can be accepted.

BANK DAY

Bank day is every Wednesday. Books are sent to the office on Tuesday for processing on Wednesdays.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Due to circumstances beyond our control and the control of the photographers our school photos are going to be a little late. We are very sorry for this inconvenience. They will be sent out as soon as we get them at school.

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Thank you to those parents who have been coming along to help us with the distribution of fruit to the classes. You are a great help.

We still need assistance. If you have a spare half hour on a Friday morning just after the 9:00am bell to help us put the fruit on plates for the children, please give us a call in the office and leave your name; or just come along to the staffroom on the day.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.
Many thanks

LOST

1 blue Prep reader bag, along with a folder, Yellow book and a reader. If you happen to have seen this, or it was placed in your child’s bag by mistake, would you please take it along to Miss Scafidi in Prep 2. One of the children will be really happy. Thank you