

### Newsletter 2023

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#### Dates to Note:

- Tuesday 7th Feb
   Safer Internet Day
- Tuesday 14th Feb
   P&C meeting 7pm
- Wed 15th Feb
   Scripture commences
- Monday 20th Feb
   Swimming Carnival Yr3-6
- Tues 21st Feb
   Pancake Day (Yr6 Fund)
   Footsteps Dance
- Thurs 23rd Feb
  Assembly—2:30pm
- Tues 28th Feb
  Footsteps Dance
- Fri 3rd Mar
   School's clean-up Day
   World Wildlife Day
- Mon 6th Mar
   Leadership Camp Yr5/6
- Tue 7th March
  Footsteps Dance
- Tues 14th Mar
   Footsteps Dance
   P&C meet 7pm
- Mar 15th-27th
   NAPLAN yrs 3 and 5
- Tues 21st Mar
   Footsteps Dance
   Harmony Day

#### Rebooting our Learning Power

**BOOTCAMP:** Last Tuesday saw all of our Yr 1-6 students re-booting their Learning Power as we had a day of fun activities designed to bring our students together to introduce/revisit the four learning dispositions that are crucial to learning. Students were made aware that the use of these learning Powers lies within each of them and is reliant on all students following our Rocks Values, ensuring every student is a safe and respectful learner. We congratulate all students on their involvement and support of each other. It's going to be a great year!!!!

**WELCOME:** Welcome back to all of our existing families and a big warm welcome to our new Kindy students: River and Zander.

**BEST START:** Kindy students have now completed their Best Start Literacy and Numeracy Assessments. Thank you to their Friendship partners for escorting them to the testing area and staying throughout the period. Well done Kindy students for your participation and responses.

SCRIPTURE: Classes will be commencing next week.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** Combined Swimming Carnival Mon 20th Feb. This is intended for years 3-6 students only and will be held at Riverstone Pool. Students will be travelling to and from the venue by a bus shared with Hillside PS. Notes to come home. Footsteps Dance commences in Week 5 as part of our PDHPE program, a note has been sent out by email to parents for payment and permission.

STAFF 2023: Mrs Moss—Mon-Thursday (and half day Fridays) office; GA: Binu (casual) Mrs Clare—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: Library, PDHPE, Learning & Support Teacher, EaLD support; Mrs Emma Horrocks—Yrs 3-6 class teacher; Mrs Mills—K/1/2 class teacher and Principal; Ms Charlotte O'brien—Principal's release: Fridays K/1/2; COVID support Tuesdays, Student Support Wednesdays; Ms Monique Urio—SLSO Mon, Tue, Thurs; Mr Noah Grofski—SLSO support part:-time Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs. Mr Miro Zivanovic—school counsellor (Fridays of even weeks 9am-12pm)

Library Day: every Wednesday; PE: K/1/2 Mon 3/4/5/6 Tues; Sport: every Friday

Session 1 9:05-11:05 Session 2 11:30-1:05 Session 3 1:55-3:05

**Congratulations:** To Rajveer and Ranvir on their successful selection to be part of the Sydney North Cricket team on the 6th March in Lismore. We are very proud of you.

**YR6 FUNDRAISING:** Firstly a huge thank you to Isaac for his enthusiasm in wanting to sell ice-cream to students (following through with election promises). Unfortunately there are guidelines to ensure we don't sell too many "sweets" at school. Our Yr6 are meeting to determine their best opportunities for fundraising across the school year. Look out for their notes for fundraising events.

**Canteen:** Will be returning next Monday 13th February. Stay tuned for menu to come. We look forward to some delicious treats.

Next P&C Meeting: is Tuesday 14th February at 7pm in the school library.

Rapid Antigen Tests are still available from the office should any families wish to replenish supplies. Please still be vigilant this year regarding COVID symptoms.



#### Days to note:

Mondays = K-2 PE, Canteen

Tuesday = 3-6 PE

Wednesdays = Scripture, Library K-6

Thursdays = Assembly every 2nd week

Friday = Sports day





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STUDENT HEALTH: Any child suffering cold or flu like symptoms, runny nose, sore throats or headaches should not attend school. I thank all of you for your continued vigilance in this area.

#### **SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

Monday 20th February 2023 Yrs 3-6



Our P&C will be meeting on

## In the school library!! 7pm ALL WELCOME!

We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

We have found that enormous tasks have fallen on but a few. It's time we all shared the load a little.

Why not join in to be a voice to be heard. Share your thoughts. Maybe offer some assistance in some small way. We would really enjoy your company.



# What this new year brings to you depends greatly on what you bring to the new year.

A small reminder to parents that if you have any concerns at all regarding your child, their work or an issue with another child in the school, we ask that you please **speak to the class teacher** to clarify the situation. Sometimes things are not quite as they seem.

Do remember that in a small school, teachers are extremely busy, covering anything from 2 to 4 duties a day as well as preparation and marking. It may be, therefore, better to make an appointment to ensure satisfaction all round.

Ann Mills
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