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Term 4 Week 6 – 14th November 2011

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Community of Schools: Middle Schooling

Last week, Mrs Raynham and I attended a middle schooling conference with representatives from our Community of Schools. Middle Schooling is basically referring to students in Years 5-8.

The middle years are important years of learning. Student engagement and motivation in these years is critical for future success. We discussed and planned approaches to teaching which will improve learning outcomes in these years and contribute to a seamless transition from Year 6 to Year 7.

SUCCESS

We have recently congratulated many students who have achieved success in different areas. Our congratulations go to

- Jinan Al-Maarrawie for winning first place in the Macarthur Advertiser Design an Ad competition.
- Adina Aslett-Robertson and Caryn Hampton for winning Sydney South West Region Aboriginal achievement awards presented at UWS, Adina for sporting ability and Caryn for improved attendance.
- Keiran Ferrier, Kimberlee Bell, Kaleb Chatters, Brandon Trieu and Tyrone Trieu were also winners of Aboriginal achievement awards.
- The Grange Endicott Cup Team for term 4 who won Round 4 of the competition. Lolohea Masima, Mena Leuluai, Ahliyah Vongphakdy, Vicknesk Ravikumar, James Helene, Mahir Mohiuddin, Janifar Sultana, Rebecca Tom and Raymond Sam. The team competed in Numeracy, Public Speaking and General Knowledge against the other local primary schools in our Community of Schools. The combined Grange team finished second overall for 2011. A fantastic performance.

Attendance

Again, we appreciate the efforts of all parents who ensure that children are at school before 8.55am. Unfortunately, lateness is still a problem for some families. Last Friday, over 30 children were late for school which is nearly 15% of our school population. In future, children who are consistently late will see me at lunchtime.

Calendar

This Week:

WEEK 6

Tuesday 15th November
Zone Public Speaking at TGPS

Wednesday 16th November
Kindy Orientation and BBQ

Friday 18th November
Assembly
Camp payments to be finalised

Next Week:

WEEK 7

Wednesday 23rd November
Speeches presented for School
Captains & Councillors 2012

Thursday 24th November
Cake Day

Friday 25th November
Yr 6 Graduation Bear/Ball order
and payments due today.



Sports Bananza

Thank you to all parents and friends who sponsored your child in our recent sports bonanza. We would like all sponsorship forms to be returned by next Monday, November 21. Prizes will be presented to the child in each grade who has collected the most money. All of the teachers worked very hard and the girls and boys enjoyed the activities.

We would like to thank Streets Ice Creams for donating ice creams and paddlepops for the day. The Paddle Pop Lion also made an exciting appearance.

2012

If you know of any families wishing to enrol students at The Grange for next year, please ask them to contact our office. Similarly, we need to know about anyone leaving this year or going on an extended overseas holiday.

Principal's Awards

All children wishing to receive Principal's Awards this year will need to bring their 5 merit awards to the office by Thursday, week 8.

Best wishes
Lynne Wilson
Principal

School Values

question winners for Week 3

were

Raymond Sam 5/6R,

Chellcey Porter 5/6R,

Ryna Prasad 3/4D,

Chloe Winter 5/6R,

Echri Bahri 5/6S and

Verena Reyad 4/5J.

Congratulations!

All winners received a canteen voucher.

Principal's Awards



Level 3

Ella Pocknall



Level 4

Shanay Pocknall

Georgia Shanahan

Bronze

Bianca Gannan

Insert Triple P Parenting Seminars

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Learners

SCHOOL VALUES PROGRAM

The school values focus for the next two weeks will be on: working in groups.

Students will be taught and encouraged to: follow school routines when working in groups.

The expected way of behaving will be clearly outlined and modelled.

Students will be given clear directions about expected behaviour : work co-operatively; share roles fairly; respect others' contribution; use provided equipment sensibly.

Students displaying expected behaviour will earn themselves a "Grange Grinner Award".

Parliament Patters

Soccer Competition winners



On Wednesday 2nd November, the two final teams of our soccer competition played their last game. The two teams were Minto Fairies and the Dogieees. The score was 3-1 and the Fairies won! Congratulations guys! The people in the team were Liam Shanahan, John Reyad, Verena Reyad, Jessica Hawkins, Raymond Sam and James Helene. They won a packet of warheads each. Even though the soccer comp took a very long time we finally got it finished. I would just like to say thank you to TJ, Liam and Luke for setting up the cones, thank you to Adina for being referee and thank you to John for letting us use his soccer ball.

Ahliyah – Soccer Comp Leader 5/6R

Insert Campbelltown Performing Arts School and Smash Tennis coaching

Tuesday 15th November, 9am - 945am
in the ESL (Mrs Reynolds') room.

Come and make new friends. Babies welcome. Morning tea provided.

REMINDER

Multicultural afternoon tea at recess on ***Tuesday, 6th December.***

Please consider cooking something suitable for afternoon tea (1.35pm) to share on the day.

Many Thanks, ESL Parents' Group

Aboriginal Education News

On Monday 7th November, 7 students from Yr4 and Yr5 attended an event at University Western Sydney (Campbelltown) called "Heartbeat". They were involved in a series of activities focussing on health, medicine and related sciences. Students got to test their fitness, be 'doctors for a day' and even got their arms plastered.
Mrs Lisa Readshaw



Fields Zone Presentation Night

We will be again holding a Fields Zone Presentation Night after the success of last year's event.

Students who have represented the Fields Zone at Area Carnivals, in individual sports or as part of a team, will be recognised and presented with certificates on the night.

Winning Gala Day teams will also receive certificates and their perpetual trophy.

When: Monday 21st November 2011

Where: Ingleburn RSL - Main Auditorium
6.00pm doors open for 6.30pm start

Cost: \$5.00 per ticket
(2 tickets per family)

Tickets will be evenly distributed between schools. A waiting list will be available after your school's allocation has been exhausted.

See your school sports co-ordinator for tickets by Wednesday 16th November.

P&C

Thank you to all who bought raffle tickets in the P&C Raffle. The winner was :

Tylah Mace

We raised \$265.70! Thanks again.

Christmas Raffle

Donations

Each family is asked to make a donation towards this year's Christmas Hampers.

Donations of decorations, tinsel, wrapping paper, ribbon, bonbons etc and non perishable food such as biscuits, canned fruit, lollies, Christmas cake etc. will be gratefully accepted.



Camp Payments
to be finalised
Friday 18th Nov

REMINDERS

Yr 5/6 Camp
permission/information
notes to be returned

Graduation
Bear/Ball
orders due
Friday 25th Nov

Included in this week's Informer; Healthy Lifestyle Factsheet #3
Reducing your children's television time...

