



The Grange Public School Informer

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Term 4 Week 4 – 29th October 2012

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A very busy teaching and learning term awaits us as we complete 2012.

OPPORTUNITY: PUBLIC SPEAKING

Today, Ms Brown accompanied Vicknesk Ravikumar (Stage 3) Anthony Cucchiaro (Stage 2) and Saraa Islam (Stage 1) to the Zone Public Speaking Competition at Wattle Grove Public School. These children were selected a result of our Annual K-6 Public Speaking focus in Term 3 where all students have had the opportunity to develop their public speaking skills.

MATHLETICS

During 2011 and 2012, all students in Year 5 and 6 (Stage 3) have participated in Mathletics, an online Maths program which successfully develops learning in Mathematics. This has been generously funded by Sarah Redfern High School. Tomorrow afternoon, Mr Dave Canavan from Mathletics will introduce the program to our teachers. In 2013, all students K-6 will participate in Mathletics which will be funded by P&C and our school. Look forward to a parent workshop early in 2013 which will detail how you can assist your child to participate at home, online.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

This coming Saturday, all teachers will participate in evaluating all plans and programs that have been part of our 2012 Strategic School Plan. We will be discussing our successes and areas for development for 2013. Any parent wishing to participate is welcome. Please call me if interested.

P&C Family Disco Night: Friday December 7

This night promises to be fun filled and most enjoyable. Please read separate notice in this Informer. As this is a family night, any child not attending with their own family, must come with another family and leave with them.

Calendar

WEEK 4

Monday 29th October

Zone public Speaking

Minto Kids Council

Wednesday 31st October

Kindy Orientation 9.30-10.30am

Friday 2nd November

Ice cream day

Saturday 3rd November

Teachers Staff Development Day

WEEK 5

Tuesday 6th November

ESL Parents morning tea

Heartbeat:Aboriginal studentsYr3/4

Wednesday 7th November

Kindy Orientation & welcome BBQ

Community of Schools Award SRHS

Endicott Cup

Thursday 8th November

Heartbeat:Aboriginal students

Yr5/6

Friday 9th November

Gala Day **CANTEEN CLOSED**

EARLY ACTION FOR SUCCESS

In 2013, The Grange, Sarah Redfern and Campbellfield Public Schools will be participating in a three year program initiated by the Department of Education and Communities called EARLY ACTION FOR SUCCESS. The initiative is the Department's strategy for implementing the Literacy and Numeracy Action Plan 2012.

There are four key features:

- Instructional learning for student leadership
- Personalised learning for students
- High quality professional learning with a focus on K-2
- Assessment for learning

Our instructional leader is Mr Mark Diamond who has been seconded from his position of Principal at Lansvale Public School. The staff are looking forward to working collaboratively with Mr Diamond in 2013.

KINDER ORIENTATION AND TRANSITION

Welcome to all parents who attended the first Kinder Orientation last Wednesday.

This year, as a more rewarding beginning of school experience, we are asking all prospective Kindergarten students to attend three transition sessions on three Wednesdays after the orientation. Further information will be given to parents on Wednesday.

Best wishes
Lynne Wilson
Principal

Principal's Awards

Phillipa Mulholland

Reegan Lydon

Bianca Gannan

Liam Quinn

Adam Prasad

Matthew McKenzie

PSC Award

Anthony Cucchiaro

Level 2

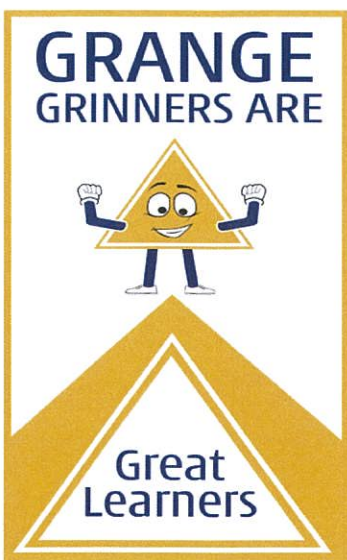
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Level 3

Brandon Trieu

Katia Lydon

Mahima Mohiuddin



SCHOOL VALUES PROGRAM

The school values focus for the next two weeks will be on: when work is completed.

Students will be taught and encouraged to: follow routines; complete activities set by the teacher.

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

Students will be given clear directions about expected behaviour: don't disturb others still working; raise hand and wait turn; sit in line or stay at desk and wait for teacher.

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

ESL Parent's Group Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday 6th November
9.10-10.00am

WHERE: in the staff room

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

 Join us as we enjoy learning how to cook various delightful recipes.

 Special guest Mr Mohsen from the Education Department

I look forward to seeing you there!

Christine Reynolds
ESL Teacher

Ice cream Day

On Friday 2nd November we will be holding an Ice cream day to fundraise for the Year 6 Farewell

Cost \$1 per cone

Either with or without sprinkles.



Friday 2nd November
At lunch & recess

Selective High School Placements for 2014

Online application and information regarding the application process for placement in Year 7 in 2014 will be available on the website from **Tuesday 16 October 2012**. On line applications close 19th November.

Parents are encouraged to use the on line application process. Those unable to do so are able to apply using an application form which will be available from the school office after 23rd October. Paper applications close 16th November.

CAMPBELLTOWN TERM 4, 2012

123 MAGIC

This time tested workshop provides easy to follow steps for disciplining children aged 2-12 years without yelling, arguing or hitting.

CatholicCare, 35a Cordeaux Street, Campbelltown

3 Tuesday Mornings 10am-12:30pm
4, 11 & 18 December 2012

Workshop Fee: \$30

GRASSROOTS PARENTING

This program for parents of children 0-12 give parents an understanding of children's behaviour, provides strategies for effective discipline, encourages positive behaviours and builds resilience and self esteem in families. Each of the 8 sessions is self contained. Pick which sessions you would like to attend.

Sessions 1 & 2 - 19 October
For parents of babies and toddlers 0-4 years old
Session 3 - 2 November
Understanding children's behaviours and parent traps
Session 4 - 9 November
Communication building and getting children to listen
Session 5 - 16 November
Encouraging desired behaviours
Session 6 - 23 November
Strategies for challenging behaviours in children
Session 7 - 7 December
Building family resilience and handling conflict
Session 8 - 14 December
Looking after yourself and building assertiveness skills

CatholicCare, 35a Cordeaux St, Campbelltown
7 Friday Mornings, 10am-12:30pm

Workshop Fee: \$10 per session

KEEPING KIDS IN MIND

A post-separation parenting workshop. Learn how to deal more effectively with the emotional and practical issues of parenting after separation. Explorers loss and grief in parents and children, power grabs and impact on children.

CatholicCare, 35a Cordeaux Street, Campbelltown

5 Thursday Evenings 7pm-9:30pm
4, 11, 18 25 October & 1 November 2012

Workshop Fee: \$50

MORE HARMONY, NO HARM

Topics covered include understanding and managing strong emotions, effective communication, assertiveness skills and positive behaviours for healthy relationships over 7 sessions.

CatholicCare, 35a Cordeaux St, Campbelltown
Women

7 Thursday Afternoons 2:30-5pm
8, 15, 22, 29 November, 6, 13 & 20 December 2012

Men
7 Thursday Evenings 7pm-9:30pm
8, 15, 22, 29 November, 6, 13 & 20 December 2012

Workshop Fee: \$70

FOSTER A CHILD TODAY

If you think you've got what it takes call

4227 1122



MY KIDS AND ME

A workshop for parents who have had children removed from their care. Assists participants to identify parenting skills, strengths and resources to develop relationships with their children.

CatholicCare, 35a Cordeaux Street, Campbelltown

6 Tuesday Mornings 10am-12:30pm
9, 16, 23, 30 October, 13 & 20 November

Workshop Fee: \$60

ROLLERCOASTER

A 5 week program developed to assist children who are experiencing parental separation, divorce, or parents who have repartnered. Rollercoaster helps children to understand change and loss; develop strategies for anger management and problem solving; and understand a whole range of feelings and emotions.

CatholicCare, 35a Cordeaux St, Campbelltown
5 Tuesday Afternoons 4-5pm
23, 30 October, 6, 13 & 21 November 2012

Workshop Fee: \$50

WORKSHOP BOOKINGS

For bookings or information call:

Campbelltown 4628 0044
Wollongong 4227 1122
Nowra 4421 8248



Other workshops may be available on request.

Limited childcare may be available for some workshops

P&C News

Kindy Orientation BBQ

On Wednesday 7th November we will be holding a BBQ for our new Kindy enrolments for 2013. We are looking for some parent helpers to help organise the day. Helpers will be required between 9am - 12pm. Please leave your name and phone number at the office and a P&C member will call and talk to you.

Good Guys Dollars

Just a reminder to ask for the school dollars when shopping at The Good Guys Campbelltown. These will be used to purchase prizes for the Christmas Raffle.

Karaoke/Disco FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Our P&C with the school will be holding a Family Fun Night on Friday 7th Dec in our school hall. We are lucky enough to have one of our parents, Stephen Rondo to run the Disco/Karaoke night.

There will be a sausage sizzle, drinks and ice blocks available to purchase on the night and lucky door prizes.

Please mark your calendars so the entire school community can participate and enjoy the night together.

Please find below a tear off for purchase of tickets. This can be handed on at the office. Tickets will be sent home during Week 9

P&C Committee

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

FAMILY PASS: \$15.00 each..... No. _____ TOTAL \$ _____
(Immediate family only)

INDIVIDUAL PASS: \$5.00..... No. _____ TOTAL \$ _____

GRANDPARENTS: Gold coin donation..... No. _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Estimated number of family members attending (for catering purposes) Adults _____ Children _____