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ASSEMBLY

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CLASS NEWS
K-3

**Literacy:** This week we are focusing on comprehension strategies, working in small reading groups based on student’s learning goals in relation to the Literacy continuum. We also have an author, Roland Harvey, visiting us on Tuesday afternoon.

**Shared Reading:** *A is for Aunty* by Elaine Russell and *Alpha Monsters* by Chris Kennett

**Maths:** This week we will continue to focus on Patterns and Algebra

**Creative Arts:** This week we will continue working on our Rooster artwork and try some new drama activities

**PE & Sport:** Balancing Skills & Tennis: Connecting the Ball and Racquet

**Personal Development:** Water Safety at Swimming Pools and Aquatic Centres

News: This week’s topic is ‘What I like to do with my family’

**Super Spellers**

**Week 2:** Henry Luelf, Thomas Sinca and Molly McCarten

**Week 3:** Henry Luelf, Emily Parker, Luke Anderson, Chloe Bischard, Mikayla Caldow, Sophie Davey, Sophie Luelf, Molly McCarten and Alice Worthington

**Literacy Groups**
This term we have started to run Literacy Groups on Thursday mornings. All students are divided into three groups based on their progress on the Comprehension Aspect of the Literacy Continuum. These groups are flexible and could change from week to week depending on the specific skill focus for that lesson. Running Literacy groups is allowing us to best utilise Mrs Wilson, as our Learning and Support Teacher, to improve outcomes for our students. Teachers are using their newly acquired knowledge from the Focus on Reading professional development we have been involved in this year to target student comprehension skills.
DAY FOR DANIEL
On Friday, our school will be participating in the Day for Daniel, in memory of Daniel Morcombe. We invite students to wear something red for Daniel and we will be doing some Child Safety lessons from the 'Keeping Kids Safe' program developed by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

UPCOMING EVENTS
- Presentation Night - Tuesday 8th December 2015
- Intensive Swimming - 10th, 11th, 14th, 15th, 16th December 2015

WANTED
Looking for a size 6/8 girl’s summer uniform dress if anyone has any they are willing to sell or giveaway. Contact Kylie Parker 0448 004742.

TERM 4 CANTEEN ROSTER
30 October - Simone
6 November - Meegan
13 November - Jen
20 November - Tia *
27 November - Sheryll
4 December - Tia *
11 December - Tia *
18 December - Tia *

*Any volunteers would be appreciated. If dates do not suit please contact Tia.
NOTE OF THANKS FROM MR BENNETT

A note to thank parents of what I lovingly call “MY BUS KIDS”. Thanks for the afternoon tea last Wednesday. What a nice way to say goodbye! Unfortunately, I will never drive the bus again, so I thank those responsible for thinking of me. Everyone is more than welcome to call at anytime to say hello.

Thanks again.

Graeme Bennett

SELECTIVE SCHOOLS 2017

Applications for Year 7 selective high school placement in 2017 are now open. An information booklet is available at school. Parents must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement before 16 November 2015.

VOLUNTEER AWARD – YOUTH & OPEN CATEGORIES

Sport and Recreation are again holding the Central West Winter Sport Volunteer Award. It’s the end of the winter sporting season, but it’s not too late to recognise the efforts of the outstanding volunteers who keep sport going in our communities. The Award has separate categories for both open and youth (25 years and under) to recognise the importance of all aged volunteers in grassroot sports.

In 150 words or less tell us how your volunteer is worthy of being nominated. All nominees will receive a certificate, with the winner and runner up being awarded $250 & $100 (respectively) to spend on approved sports development programs. It’s a great way to say thank you to a coach, committee member, official or manager. It’s a simple process that won’t take long, but will make the nominee feel valued as a volunteer.

Nominations can be made online via the Sport and Recreation website sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/volunteeraward or call 6362 6623. Nominations close Friday 6th November 2015.

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SQUAD TRAINING started on Monday 19th October, 2015.

What better way to stay refreshed while exercising the whole body in the heat. Not sure what squad you would be in? Don’t worry, come down and see the coaches, and we will do a quick assessment and pop you in the right squad program for you. All squad members will required their own goggles, flippers and kick board this season. (If you are new, for your first session you will be able to borrow flippers and kickboard) Eyeline merchandise will be able for purchase from the kiosk. Specific details on each squad level is attached in the flyer.

Looking forward to seeing all our squad members returning for what looks to be a great swimming season. Thank you.

Regards,

Melissa Westaway Mob:0438 697 099