Dear Parents and Carers,

Staff on Leave

As of Monday 23rd November 2015, until the end of this term 18th December 2015, Ms Penny Hozier will be on long service leave. During this time Ms Rebecca Mahony will be teaching 1H.

Ms Laura Geraghty will be on leave from 25th November until 4th December. Mr Marty Lucantonio will be teaching 3 / 4J during this time.

Discussions with Teachers

This is a very busy time for all teachers and students with student reports being finalised and concert preparations. I would like to remind parents that if you need to speak to your child’s teacher, please contact the front office to organise an appropriate time. Before and after school teachers are expected to have this time for classroom preparation, planning and professional development. It is not appropriate to expect teachers to engage in various conversations with parents at these times unless a specific appointment has been previously arranged.

I look forward to a productive and exciting remainder of the term.

Phone calls to Front Office

Re: pick up arrangements for students

Please inform the office of any changes to the usual arrangements as soon as you are aware of these changes. It is difficult to pass the message in time to the relevant teachers and students when the calls are made close to 3pm.

Vasilka Jovanovska

Acting Principal
Outstanding School Fees

Please finalise all outstanding fees for 2015 with front office as soon as possible.

Anticipated Class Structure for 2016

With the present student enrolment the staff have been able to put in place anticipated class structures based on these enrolments.

We will form 14 classes in the following way.

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If parents have any legitimate requests as to the class they would like their child in please come to me and not directly to any class teacher. I will do my best to accommodate your preferences, however, I cannot guarantee all requests will be met.

Mrs Vasilka Jovanovska

Library Stocktake 2015

It’s that time of the year already! The final day for borrowing books from the School Library will be on Friday 27th November (Friday, Week 8). After that date, the Library will still be open to students, however the borrowing and returning of books will cease. Please have a quick look and see if there are any library books hiding at home. A huge thank you to Mrs McAleer who has organised another highly successful Book Fair this week. It’s wonderful to see so many of our families purchasing exciting resources for their children!

Thanks for your continued support.

Mrs McCormack & Mrs McAleer

End of Year Celebrations

This year, our End of Year Celebration will be held on Wednesday 16th December at the Ritz Cinema, Randwick. Students and teachers will travel by bus.

We will be leaving school at 9:15am and arrive at the Ritz Cinema, Randwick at 9.30am to watch the G rated Film, The Peanuts Movie at 10am. Students will not be provided with food. Students will return to school before 12pm for an early lunch.

The cost is $18.00 this includes bus fare and cinema entry. If you require any assistance in paying for this function please see Ms Vasilka Jovanovska as soon as possible.

*Parents who paid for pool entry last year and did not receive a refund via the front office, will be credited $13 and required to pay the outstanding balance of $5.

Mrs Clare Wojcinski
PSSA Sport

The summer PSSA competition (AFL and T-Ball/Softball) continues tomorrow, weather permitting. Mr Crowther’s junior AFL team has a bye, however, my juniors and Mr Crowther’s Seniors will play as usual at Heffron Park. The T-Ball/Softball game will be played at Coral Sea Park. Parents, carers and friends are all welcome to attend to attend matches and support our teams.

School Leader Elections

I would like to remind the community that the School Leader elections for 2016 will be held on Monday 23rd November, 2015 in the School Hall at 2pm. Parents, carers and friends are welcome to attend to watch the candidates deliver their speeches. I would like to take this opportunity to commend all the candidates on the excellent job that they have done in preparing their posters, which are currently on display in the COLA and wish all candidates success in their elections.

School Camp 2016

Information notes regarding the Stage 3 Camp in 2016 were sent out to all Year 4 and 5 students last week. However, again I would like to remind parents and carers that the school camp to Canberra will be held from Tuesday 22nd March until Thursday 24th March, 2016. Please note that these dates are immediately prior to the Easter Long Weekend. (Easter does not fall within school holidays in 2016). The cost will be approximately $300. Further details, including consent forms and payment information will be sent home at the beginning of 2016.

Mark Gigli

The Garden

This Term 3/4W is doing a garden project all about worms and the garden. Most of 3/4W helped weed and make worm farms to make the garden a better place and we also helped paint the worm wall with Joni. One aim of garden club is to come first in the Randwick garden competition. Another aim is to make the school garden a better place.
Aboriginal Incursion
by Cleo Gaona

On Wednesday the 21st of October, 2015 the whole school had an Aboriginal Incursion.

After recess, stage 2 went to the hall and listened to Aboriginal stories, one of the men was really funny and he showed us two dances, one of the dances he called “master chef” and the other “sasa”. After the dances the whole school did a hand collage K-2 children used red and yellow paint and 3-6 students used green and blue paint.

It was our turn to go on the oval and swap over with 5-6 classes, on the oval we through boomerangs, the man there had some really fascinating stories and artefacts to tell and show us. We through boomerangs, my boomerang didn’t go that far but it was still a good throw. I had an awesome day! Thank you Ms Wojcinski for all your kind effort in organising.
This term 3-4C and 3-4W have been down in the garden every Monday, learning about worms and how they create fertile soil. We would like to thank Sandra, Joni and Jo for giving up their time this term to make Stage 2 garden club possible. We have been enjoying this experience learning about composting and how important it is to the soil. We have designed and built worm towers to improve the soil in our wonderful garden. All of Stage 2 thanks you for your hard work and precious time!
No-Plastic No-vember

Update

Plastic bag competition continues.

Week 1 winners were 1S. Week 2 winners are KV. There is only one more week to bring in your PLASTIC BAGS. The final class winner will be announced at next weeks assembly.

Sandra Newell and Daniele Del Monaco
Basic Computer Courses
Starting late February 2016

Randwick TAFE Outreach will be running courses teaching Computer & Internet Skills in the community & at Randwick TAFE

please contact Outreach on 9469 8591.
You can also contact Course Information on 9469 8539 or 9469 8540
Multi Sport Holiday Camps

Ages: 3 to 12 year olds

**NEW Junior Camps for 3 – 5 year olds**

Dates: 21 December to 22 January

Times: 8.15am - 3pm (start 9am)
*8.45am - 12pm (3 - 5 year olds)
After care 3pm - 5.30pm

Activities: Soccer, Euro Handball,
Racket Sports, Athletics, AFL, Oz Tag,
Hockey, Cricket, Volleyball & lots more

**NEW - Additional Soccer camp in Week 4**

Location: Maroubra Sports Club

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