



Avoca Beach Public School Newsletter



Term 2

2009

Week 11

6th July, 2009

Dear Parents/Carers,

THANKS everyone for an excellent term. It's been extremely busy but I know that's the case for all walks of life these days. I'd like to give a special thanks to **Kerrie Yates** and **Fred Fabila** who have recently been involved on panels to select new staff. This is a time consuming and demanding process. I appreciate the expertise and perspective they were able to bring to the selection process.

The selection of a new Assistant Principal (replacing Mrs. Gillett, who commences at Kanwal P.S. next term) was completed last Tuesday and the successful applicant was **Mrs. Davies** who is currently a classroom teacher on Stage 3 and has successfully served as Relieving Assistant Principal in Mrs. Gillett's absence. Congratulations Mrs. Davies.

Congratulations also to the **Under 11's Rugby League Team** who were successful last Thursday in the final of the Central Coast division of the All Schools Rugby League Knockout. **Darren McCarthy**, their coach, has done a wonderful job with the team. They will now travel to Sydney next term (Monday 3rd August) to play in the final series.

Congratulations also to ***** who has been offered a position at Gosford Selective High School in 2010 and ***** who has been placed on the reserve list for 2010.

It was great to see so many parents attending the K-2 Athletics Carnival last Thursday, supporting their children and lending a hand. Well done **Mrs Humphreys**, teachers and parents.

I'll be on leave for the first five weeks of term 3. Mrs. Vallis will be Relieving Principal in my absence.

Peter Whelan,
Principal.

REMINDERS

School Costs—\$38 per student, maximum of \$80 for 3 or more students payable at school office.

HOT TIPS TO HELP YOUR CHILDREN WITH READING

Don't make reading together a test. Read a magazine or newspaper together. Sit back and relax while your child reads to you. You do not have to follow along with every word nor do you have to watch over your child's shoulder. From afar you can say things like "...oops that did not make sense to me. Take another look at that." Rather than become the instant word factory, make suggestions like: "Try reading on, go back to the beginning of the sentence and reread that for a clue, look at the picture, do you know another word that looks like that difficult word, do you know any parts of that word?"

If the child works out that tricky word for themselves, they will become far more successful at reading than if you tell them all the time.

Karen Munton,
STLA.

K-2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL which was held last Thursday was a huge success. It was great to see so many parents enjoying their children's participation in the various events.

Diane Humphreys,
Relieving Assistant Principal.

STAGE 3 MATHS EXTENSION GROUP

Next term the Stage 3 Maths extension group would like to make string designs. For this we need 14 pieces of wood approximately 30cm x 30cm. If any builder or carpenter has any MDF or plywood that they could donate for our string designs, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Chris Spencer.

LIBRARY BOOKS

Please return all library books this week. I have been sending overdue book notices home. Please let me know if there are any problems with returning the books, e.g. damaged, lost etc.

Mrs. Kelly,
Teacher Librarian.

DANCE PERFORMANCE

A special performance of both dance troupes "Cheerleaders" and "Red" will be performed at Thursday's 2.00pm assembly (9.7.09). This will allow parents who may have missed out on tickets to get a chance to watch their children perform.

LOST PROPERTY

All clearly named items have been returned to their owners.

Approximately **30 jumpers** without names have been handed in to lost property during this semester. A few more bear the names of students who have left the school or one name only.

So that I am able to return items to the rightful owner, would you please label items clearly with the student's Christian and surname. If the item is a hand-me-down, please cross out the original name and write the current owner's name.

Thanks,
Anne Abercrombie.

NSW PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Fourteen children have now completed their Premier's Reading Challenge. As children complete their reading challenge log, please send it to me. I would encourage all children to hand their completed reading logs to me by the end of this term if possible.

The children who complete the challenge will receive their certificate at the end of the year.

Mrs Kelly,
Teacher Librarian.

CANTEEN NEWS

- The roster for term 3 will be sent home this week. Please contact me if you are expecting one and don't receive it.
- Please pay any outstanding IOU's by this Wednesday.
- The canteen **will be open** on the last day of term, this Thursday. However, slushies will not be available as the machine will be closed for cleaning
- Special thanks to all our volunteers for last week: Michelle Langthorne, Matylda Walton, Jessica Handley, Janet Griffin, Alison Larkin, Sandy Gilbert, Di Hayman .

- This weeks roster:

Tue 7 July	Samantha Lemon
Wed 8 July	Linda Van Hove
Thur 9 July	Cindy Cunningham, Kathy Sinnett

- First week in term 3:

Mon 27 July	Lee Davies
Tue 28 July	Liliana Martinez, Jenelle Sykes
Wed 29 July	Leonie Leonard
Thur 30 July	Sally Brooks, Jane Hughes
Fri 31 July	Tanya Hunt, Gina Cartwright
Mon 3 Aug	Leeanne Fletcher

Regards,
Kylie Hoskin.

**NUTRITIOUS
FOODS**

