From the Principal - Mrs Maraga

4 March 2015

P&C Meeting Annual General Meeting elects the Executive for 2015

Our school values the very strong support of an active and engaged parent body. The members of our school P&C have continued to provide advice in planning and decision making for our school. The very dedicated members also continue to actively raise funds through a variety of fund raising initiatives where the children are the ultimate beneficiaries. This week all Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two classes will receive new home readers through the generous donation of $7500 from the P&C which was added to school funds to ensure all children have the opportunity to take home new, reading levelled books.

Congratulations are extended to our incoming P&C Executive for 2015.

The elected office bearers for 2015 are:-

President - Craig Palmer
Vice Presidents - Fiona Stevens, Kylie Hamersma
Secretary-Mark Hamersma
Treasurer - Anthony Boros

SRC Badges to be presented on Friday

On Friday the elected student representative of each class will be presented with their SRC badge. Congratulations are extended to each of the students who have been selected by their peers to represent their class as a member of the Student Representative Council.

Parent Teacher Interviews provide an opportunity to meet your child’s teacher

Last week parents had the opportunity to meet with their child’s class teacher in parent teacher interviews. At our school we really do value the connections we have with parents. We realise that when families and school work together we can enhance the learning for our students. Thank you is extended to the teachers for making the time for the interviews in their busy schedule, as well as a thank you to all the parents and caregivers who made the time to attend and have a discussion with their child’s teacher.

Parents are reminded that teachers can be contacted at any time to discuss aspects of their child’s learning. Please contact the office in the first instance to make an appointment with your child’s class teacher.

Fifty swimmers represent Regentville PS at the District Swimming Carnival

Penrith District Swimming carnival will host fifty competitors from our school at the Annual Swimming Carnival today. Our congratulations are extended to all our competitors on their success in qualifying for this event.

There was lots of excitement for 3/4S as their new classroom was delivered on Monday

The new demountable classroom arrived on Monday for 3/4S. The services will now be attached, carpets laid and new furniture delivered prior to 3/4S moving in to their new room. It is anticipated that this may occur sometime next week.

Early arrivers and late leavers are becoming a concern

Parents and caregivers are reminded that student supervision commences at 8:35 am each day when teachers start duty. There have been an increasing number of students arriving very early to school and parents should be aware that no scheduled supervision is provided at this time. Similarly in the afternoons there have been some students who are not being collected until quite some time after the bell. This is often the meeting time for teachers and professional learning sessions are being held. Your cooperation in ensuring your children are collected in a timely fashion or alternative arrangements are made for their care would be appreciated.
Star Performers

Thanks to all of the students who helped at Clean Up Australia Day at our school last week.

District Representatives

The students listed below have been chosen to represent Penrith District PSSA in their chosen sports. Congratulations to all of them.

Basketball
Emma P, Isabella B, Jordyn W, Alyssa H, Angela S, Kate C, Chloe W

Softball
Aiden C, Brock T
Alyssa C, Caitlyn B

Cricket
Jacob M

Last Day Awards Trading
Friday 13 March
K-2 Awards to Mrs Garland
Y3 - 6 Awards to Mrs Macleod Jones

Payments Due

27 Feb  Cricket Program $12
2 Mar  4/5K Text Books $42
2 Mar  Year 5 & 6 Text Books $30
2 Mar  Year 6 Polo Shirt $32
26 Mar  ICAS Competitions (Y2—6) $ various
30 Mar  General School Contribution.
        $40 per child or $80 per family

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KG- Matthew P
KS- Logan O
KC- Benjiman J
KL- Tiana F
KW- Aleida C

1G- Beau C
1H- Ella Maree F
1P- Jack B
1A- Mia T
1B- William R

2S- Jack J
2L- Kelsie H
2M- Carter R
2F- Sarah C
2/3 R - Ella W

3D- Ella R
3G- Connor V
3H- Danielle M
3/4S- Taleea W

4G- Aneeq M
4M- Chloe W
4O- Harrison T

4/5K- Leah P
5P- Isabella O
5J- Ayden C

5/6R- Rhiannon P
6S- Joshua Q
6B- Jemma R
6P- Jessica W
The authors in 5J and 5P have been busy writing creative and engaging pieces.

Lachlan S 5J
Storm at sea
I can see ginormous strikes of lightning hitting the water. The Captain is yelling orders to the workers! I am absolutely petrified!! I back into a corner and sit down trembling in fear. I know we are not going to make it. I can feel water filling up the bedroom. I want to run out but I’m too scared to move. Suddenly, the wooden oak door flies open….people rush into the room. I hear nothing….not a thing.

Caitlin H 5P
Sentences
The charcoal clouds created a deathly sense to the bright orange sunset.
The sun that floated in the sky like boiling lava was dripping away from existence.
The rippling waves consumed the shadows to take on the fiery sun.
This flower is sacred to me. Love, torture and danger flash back into my mind.
The last token of them…..

Isabella O 5P
Storm at Sea
Dark, inky black clouds are consuming the sky. The waves are rising…..they are 50 metres high. There is lightning cracking in the blink of an eye. One by one the ships are being eaten by the dark sea. This is the perfect time for the sharks to feast!

Lost Property
We currently have a lot of lost property in the large box in the sick bay. Most items do not have clearly labelled names for us to identify the owner. In the coming weeks, any unclaimed items will be sent off to charity organisations.
Please feel free to come and have a look for items that have been “misplaced” by your child.

Dogs at School
As a matter of safety, we would appreciate your cooperation with not bringing dogs onto the school premises, even if they are on a leash.

Scholastic Book Club
Closing date for orders and monies is 13 March 2015.
Correct money only please as no change can be given
Easter Raffle

The P & C will be running their annual Easter Raffle and are asking parents to donate an Easter Egg (per family) to go towards the prizes. The collection date for the Easter Eggs is **MONDAY 30 March**.

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR WRAPPING OF BASKETS ON MONDAY 30 March** – please leave your name and contact details at the canteen.

We are also requesting any unwanted cane baskets or Easter bags that can be used in the raffle. These can be taken to the canteen at any time.

Raffle tickets will be sent home on **FRIDAY 13 MARCH** and tickets are $1.00 each or 3 for $2.00 (1 book per family). Please include the person’s name and contact number as well as the student’s name and class (for delivery purposes) on every ticket. The money will be due back to teachers by **FRIDAY 20 MARCH**.

The raffle will be drawn on **TUESDAY 31 March**.

Please help to support the P & C Association as well as our children.

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**Harmony Day – Everyone Belongs**

**Thursday 19th March**

The SRC invites students to come dressed in orange and celebrate Australia’s diversity!