Principals Report

School Photos

This year our school photo day is a tricky one. **Wednesday 1st May**, the first day for students of second term is the day that the photographers will be taking photos of our beautiful Zig Zag students.

Write this date on your calendar, set a reminder on your phone or stick a note on the fridge, we don’t want anyone to forget! We love to see our students looking fabulous in their uniform, see their smiling faces and notice just how much they have grown since last year's photos.

Envelopes for photos have been sent home, if you want to have a family photo taken you will need to get the sibling order envelope from the office.

Envelopes and money need to be returned to the office by Thursday 11th April.

School Development Day

There are 2 days scheduled for Term 2 Development Days:

**Monday 29th April** is the Western Gateway Education Community Development Day. All schools will be working at Wallerawang Public School for the day.

**Tuesday 30th April** is an additional development day to assist schools in the implementation process of the Australian Curriculum.

**Wednesday 1st May** is the day that students return to school to commence term 2.

Advance Notice – dates for Term 2

**Friday 10th May** – Cross Country

**Friday 24th May** – Athletics Carnival

**Tuesday 28th May** – Crossing of the Blue Mountains commemoration event. Cost is $9 per student and includes bus to Cooerwull School.

**Tuesday 25th June** – Life Education Van is coming to Zig Zag Public School. Cost is $5 per child.

Notes for these excursions will be sent home next term.

Being SunSmart

Australia has the highest rate of skin cancer in the world. Two in three Australians (2 in 3 men and 3 in 5 women) will develop some form of skin cancer before the age of 70. Over 440,000 Australians are treated for skin cancer and more than 1800 Australians die each year from skin cancer.

But this doesn’t need to be the case. Nearly all skin cancers can be prevented by protecting yourself from the sun and most skin cancers can be cured if they are diagnosed and treated early.

Be SunSmart

Always protect your skin when UV levels are 3 (moderate) and above. Details of the UV levels can be found at [www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au) and clicking on the **UV and Sun Protection** section of the page.


Stewart House fundraiser

Each year 1800 public school students in need come to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, children are provided with optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle.

Children in the care of Stewart House attend a specific purpose school onsite for 8 days of their 12 day stay. The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school. All other costs associated with the childrens’ stay are met from charitable donations.

Stewart House relies on community support to ensure they can continue to provide important services to children.

During their stay at Stewart House children...
• Receive free eye, dental and health screening and treatment
• Develop self-care and conflict resolution skills
• Learn to relax and overcome anxiety
• Participate in excursions and activities to develop a broader outlook on life
• Establish friendships and routines in a safe community
• Increase their self-esteem

2013 fundraiser event
This year’s fundraiser for Stewart House will be a popular one indeed. **High Bounce Handballs are being sold now for $3.00 each at the office.**
These popular High Bounce Handballs are lightweight and perfect for fun in the playground and the backyard while supporting Stewart House at the same time. Get in quick to purchase your handballs as they will sell out fast!

**Voluntary School Contributions**
Once again, thank you to those families who have paid their contributions. The children are already using the resources purchased from School Contributions.
Fees are $30 for 1 child or $50 for a family.

**Head Lice!!**
We have had MORE reported cases of head lice. Please be vigilant and check your children’s hair regularly. Remember, every single egg left on the head can re-hatch into other lice, laying many, many more eggs.
The holidays will give us all the opportunity to check hair and clear them, hopefully be head lice free next term. If we all work together on this annoying pest we can keep it under control.

**Lost coat**
A black coat was left behind at school after the Seniors Morning Tea. If the coat belongs to you please contact the office.

**Lost Property**
A reminder, PLEASE, label your child’s clothing and school lunch containers.
Whilst teachers try to match belongings to children, it is each child’s responsibility to look after their clothing and lunch items.

**Our website has been updated**
The annual school report for 2012 is now available on our website for parents interested in reading an account of Zig Zag’s performance last year.
Mrs. Savath has updated the photos on our school website, make sure that check out the new folders of photos under the **Galleries** tab they are excellent.

Don’t forget that the newsletter can be found on our school website www.zigzag-p.schools.nsw.edu.au under the Newsletter tab. If you would like to have the newsletter emailed to you each week please send an email to elizabeth.morgan13@det.nsw.edu.au and you will be added to the email list.

**Vicki Gillmore**
Relieving Principal

**P&C News**

**Thank you**
The P&C have received a lovely donation of 2 gift boxes of handmade scented candles and burners from Chris Marsland. This wonderful gift will be used as a raffle for Mother’s Day.

**CALENDAR**

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**Community News**

**Crystal Theatre Portland**
Saturday 13 April 2013

- **2.00pm**  Oz The Great and Powerful (PG)
- **7.00pm**  Flight (MA15+)

All tickets are $6.00
Food and drinks sold at the Snack Bar
Lithgow City Rangers Soccer Club

Lithgow City Rangers Soccer Club is looking for players: both boys and girls, in the U/8’s and U/9’s age groups who would like to play soccer and will fit into a team immediately.

If your child would like to play soccer in these age groups please contact Nigal Lloyd ASAP on 02 6351 2697 or 0409 676 019

RSL Lithgow Sub Branch
Anzac Day Commemoration 2013

The Lithgow RSL Sub Branch will be holding the 2013 Anzac Day commemoration march on Thursday 25th April. The Dawn service will commence at 6.00am.

The march will assemble in Eskbank St at 10.15am and move off promptly at 10.30am towards Queen Elizabeth Park where the service will commence at 11.00am.

Zig Zag students are invited to join in the march and are to meet Mrs Gillmore at 10.15am in Eskbank Street.