Principals Report

This will be our last newsletter for Term 1 2014. It's unbelievable how quickly this term has flown past. I'd like to wish all families a Happy Easter and a safe and restful holiday.

Staff return to school Monday 28 April at Cooerwull Public School for Combined School Development Day. Students return Tuesday 29 April.

Lithgow Show

Congratulations to Zig Zag students. Our students entered the Colouring-in Competition and congratulations go to
- Caleb Bailey – first place
- Samara Morgan – second place
- Leila Romanous – encouragement
- Jayden Hutchison – encouragement

Reminders

Jo Solo Show – tomorrow. Cost is $5.00 per student.
Taronga Zoo Excursion – I need to submit final numbers to the train, ferry and zoo authorities. Payment for this excursion will be accepted only until tomorrow Friday 4 April.
Please let me know if your child will NOT be going on the excursion. This is a whole school excursion and we need to finalise arrangements for staff and children not attending.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

This week Kindergarten has been learning the sound “e” we cracked eggs and mixed milk to make scrambled eggs to taste – YUM!

Basketball Skills at Zig Zag

On Wednesday the children participated in a Basketball Skill clinic conducted by Adam and Richard Marjoram. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 had a great time and learnt some new skills including: passing, dribbling and how to shoot goals. Even Kindies had a go at shooting goals with Logan Ellery getting “that close” to scoring a goal.

Spelling Bee Excitement

Mrs Corney’s class had great success with many children being the first to place on our Spelling Bee Tree- Well done Boys and Girls!
This week the rest of the school have been learning their words ready for a spelling test on Friday.

Have you seen your child’s Glogster?
Great things are happening in our Technology lessons. Your child can log into their DEC Portal to show you what they are working on.

National Young Leaders Excursion

On Monday Mrs Ellery, Mrs Simpson, Ryan, Killara, Janaya and Olivia travelled to Sydney to attend the Halogen Foundation National Young Leaders Day. The day was a very valuable experience hearing from inspirational speakers such as Ita Buttrose, The Hon. Bob Carr and the amazing Andy Griffiths.

Easter Hat Parade

Don’t forget to get working on those Easter Hats! Our Easter Hat parade will be held Friday 11 April commencing at 12.30pm. All members of our school community are welcome to come along and watch the parade and join the children for hot cross buns and milo.
Order forms for hot cross buns are attached to the newsletter.

Easter Raffle

Thank you to those families who have sent in a donation for the Easter Raffle. We still need more items to make up the raffle prizes. Please send in items to your child’s class teacher or the office.

Easter guessing competition

Win a basket of Easter Eggs - 20 cents a guess to guess how many Easter Eggs are in the basket. See any of the 5/6 students before school to help you enter the competition.
School Photos
School Photo day is Friday 23 May which is Week 4 of Term 2. We are using the same company as last year and package prices range from $22 to $40. Sibling photos are also available ranging from $10 to $25. School Photo order envelopes will be sent home in week one of term 2.

Music Stars Program
Registrations for next Term are due now!
Please register online via www.musicstars.com.au fortnightly and monthly payment options are available. If minimum numbers are not met the program will not be able to run.
If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below.

Phone: 1300 889 179
Email: info@musicstars.com.au
Web: www.musicstars.com.au

Anzac Day March
Students are invited to come and join Mrs Gillmore and represent Zig Zag Public School and join in the ANZAC Day March on Friday 25 April. Students must be in FULL school uniform and will need to meet at Lithgow Primary School gate in Eskbank St at 9.45am.
Parents and carers will need to collect students from Queen Elizabeth Park at the conclusion of the ceremony.

School Term Dates
Term 1 – Friday 11 April - last day of term
Term 2 – Monday 28 April - Staff Development Day
Tuesday 29 April - First day of term for students

P&C News
The next P&C meeting is Tuesday 8 April at 1.30pm

Vicki Gillmore
Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

Easter Family Festival
Saville Park, Portland
Saturday 19 April 2014
11am – 2pm
All activities are free;
Face painting, jumping castle, live music, craft tent, cooking demo and tasting, balloons, sausage sizzle, prayer activities, games, water bomb volleyball, wind tunnel, tea and coffee and much more.
In the event of wet weather the venue will be the Community Hall – Portland Central School.

Expressions of interest for the next Futsal (Indoor Soccer) competition

Competitions – Senior mixed comp subject to demand on Wednesday nights
Men’s competition subject to demand Thursday nights
Where – Wallerawang Indoor Sports Centre, Barton Ave, Wallerawang (next to Wallerawang Public School)
How to register - contact Carleen on 0402 205 070 or by email cpc_chook@hotmail.com or come to the Registration Night on Wednesday 16 April 6.30 – 8.00pm at the Wallerawang Indoor Centre

DROP THE SALT – LITHGOW
The Drop The Salt - Lithgow Project is seeking volunteers to participate in a study looking at salt consumption. A study conducted in 2011 showed that adults were consuming on average 9 grams of salt per day, more than double the suggested target of 4 grams per day. This follow up study will determine if salt intake in Lithgow has changed since 2011.
All community members are invited to volunteer to take part in this project. For more information contact Mary-Anne Land on 02 6354 9992 or email maland@georgeinstitute.org.au

IRONFEST 2014 – LIFE ON MARS
The annual Lithgow District Ironfest will be held over the weekend on 25-27 April 2014. Aiming to educate through entertainment Ironfest features historical events over these days including - jousting, battle re-enactment, art, blacksmithing demonstrations, live music, workshops, street theatre, automotive displays and much, much more.
As a special offer entry on Friday 25 April only will be a gold coin per person with gates opening at 12 noon.
For further information visit the website www.ironfest.net.au