Term 2 – Week 3  Thursday 15th May 2014

Principals Report

**Application for Opportunity Class Placement**

Parents seeking opportunity class placement for Year 5 entry in 2015 are required to submit an application by midnight Sunday 18 May 2015. Online applications can be found at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement). Paper application forms can be obtained from the school office.

**NAPLAN**

Years 3 & 5 have been busy with NAPLAN tests this week. Catch up day for those who have missed any tests is tomorrow.

**Stewart House**

Please return the Stewart House Fundraiser Envelopes to school **TOMORROW Friday 16 May**. Don’t forget Mrs Gillmore still has High Bounce Handballs available for $3 each.

**School Photos**

School Photo day is **Friday 23 May**. All envelopes must be returned no later than **Thursday 22 May** as the photographer does not take late orders. Each child **MUST** have their own envelope. **Sibling envelopes are available from the office.**

**District Cross Country**

Zig Zag School has a large number of students who will be representing our school at the District Cross Country, congratulations to: Connor Hoson, Keyara Russell, Charlie Tuohey, Charlie Taylor, Ebbaney-Rose Page, Bailey Edwards, William Grantham, Connor Page, Lisa Cohen, Hayley Andersson, Zenka Haas, Skye Caseres, Jordon Russell, Aiden Anthes, Holly Tate, Leila Romanous, Hermione Rappard, Robert Cohen, Ryan Merlino, Killara Kenworthy, Janaya Russell and Olivia Morgan. These students will be travelling to Wallerawang next Friday 23 May to compete in the District Cross Country event, congratulations boys and girls!

Please remember that this is also school photo day, students must wear their school uniform to school and bring their cross country clothes to change into.

**Kindergarten Sounds**

This week kindergarten has been learning the letter “m” for milkshake.

**Great Sportsmanship!**

Well done boys soccer and hockey teams. Both teams played this week and whilst both teams were defeated all players:

- tried their best
- had fun and
- added another experience to their life.

The soccer team played Eglington Public School last Friday and gave the competition a good go. The Eglington team have members who play at state level and play in weekend comps making them a tough team to play against.

The hockey team played Wallerawang yesterday and once again all players tried their best. Unfortunately they were not able to defeat the Wallerawang team but have another games experience to draw upon next time.

**Future Sporting Events**

Sporting events coming up at Zig Zag include Netball, District Cross Country and Athletics.

**Notes now on the school website**

There is now a “Notes” tab on the school website where school notes will be posted. Notes can be viewed or
Walk Safely to School Day
Friday 23 May is Walk Safely to School Day when all primary school children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school.

The objectives of this day are to:
- Reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour
- Promote the health benefits of regular walking
- Ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult's hand when crossing a road
- Reduce car dependency habits
- Promote the use of public transport
- Reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles
- Reduce the level of traffic congestion

Go to www.walk.com.au to download the free app that maps children's walk to and from school.

Notification of absences
If your child is absent from school for any length of time you are required to notify the school either verbally or in writing of the reason for the absence. This is a DEC requirement and is also another of the ways that we strive to work together to keep our students safe.

Too sick for school?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It's often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover especially when that means an adult canceling work. For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

School A to Z and NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Head Lice
Head Lice are a very common problem that most parents and teachers are more than familiar with. If your child has head lice here are some treatment tips:
- Do not treat your child if their scalp is irritated or inflamed
- Apply the head lice product to every strand of your child's hair and work through. Follow product instructions for wait times. Metal or plastic lice combs are both effective when treating head lice.
- Check your child's head and if dead lice are found the product has worked. However, make sure that you re-treat your child's head in 7 days to catch the lice that have emerged from unhatched eggs.
- Reduce the risk of your child catching head lice by tying their hair back or braiding it.

For more information visit www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/environment/headlice/treatment.asp

P&C News
The next P&C meeting is Tuesday 20 May at 1.30pm

NEW CANTEEN MENU!
The canteen is now operating with the new menu.

Sticky Beak Reusable Lunch Order Bags
These are available to purchase from the canteen in blue, green, pink or purple the cost is $11.

Vicki Gillmore
Principal

CALENDAR

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