Principals Report

Welcome back! It’s great to see the children looking refreshed and ready to start the last term of 2015.

Term 4 promises to be a very busy and exciting last term of the school year.

Our busy term starts with Naidoc celebrations tomorrow. Next week students in 5/6 will be experiencing a week of camp life and exciting new activities every day at Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Camp.

The following week we are holding our annual Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Dinner and then a week later will be the 4/5 two night excursion to Lutanda at Mt Victoria.

I have included a full term 4 calendar so that you can save the dates for our special end of year events.

Naidoc Day

Children going to the Naidoc Day celebrations tomorrow are reminded to take water, a sandwich/snack for morning tea and also to bring a gold coin for their BBQ lunch.

Reminders

Broken Bay

Monday 12th October to Friday 16th October. Students meet teachers at Lithgow Train Station at 7.10am and return on Friday to Lithgow Train Station at 6.05pm. All money for the excursion MUST be paid by Friday 9th October.

Lutanda Excursion

Wednesday 28th October – Friday 30th October. Students leave from school Wednesday mid-morning and leave Mt Victoria at 1.30pm on Friday. Cost is $140; $50 deposit required ASAP and balance by 26th October.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Dinner

Friday 23rd October at 7pm. Cost $35 per head. RSVP and menu choices required by 14th October. There are a limited number of seats available so don’t miss out.

School Swimming

Monday 9th November – Friday 13th November. Students leave school at 12 noon and return to school by 2.40pm. Cost is $30. Money due ASAP

Summer Uniform Ordering

A School Uniform Order will be available this term to coincide with the Puffing Billies order. Forms are available from the Office or on the school Website in the Notes tab.

We do hold a limited stock of uniform at school and they are mainly small sizes but if you are in need of any items please check with the office or alternatively email Liz Morgan on elizabeth.morgan13@det.nsw.edu.au

Stewart House

Stewart House bags are going home this week. Please fill them with clean old clothing and return them to school by Friday 13th November.

A little bit about Stewart House: Every year 1800 public school children attend Stewart House at no cost to their parents or carers. During a 12 day stay they are provided with dental, optical, hearing and medical screening and treatment.

Children participate in educational programs and excursions designed to develop their social and emotional skills, build self-esteem and improve their overall well-being. The experience provides children with a much needed break from their current circumstance; they are inspired to see beyond the present and to have real hope and positive aspirations for their future.

Your support of this organization is appreciated.

Hats

As part of our Sun Safe policy students are required to wear a hat at school in the playground in terms 1 and 4.

We are asking students to find their school hats and not to wear mufti hats as we encourage the wearing of school uniform at all times.

Language around school grounds

Parents please be aware when having conversations in and around the school that the use of appropriate language would be appreciated in respect of neighbours, other parents, students and children.
**Vicki Gillmore**

**Principal**

**P & C News**

As we approach the end of the school year it is a busy time for our P&C. Traditionally the P&C are involved with many events that this year will include Wine and Beer Tasting, Presentation Day, Class Parties, Combined Carols, Zig Zag Carols and of course Canteen on an ongoing basis.

All of these events require volunteers to help out and new volunteers will certainly be welcomed and will help to spread the load a little lighter.

If you are interested in helping our P&C please come along to a meeting or simply call the school and let us know that you are available to help.

**Beer and Wine Tasting Fundraiser**

Zig Zag P&C are holding a Wine and Beer Tasting Fundraiser as well as a small auction on Saturday 24th October at 2.30pm.

This should be a great event, come and sample Zig Zag Brewery’s Boutique Beer and enjoy wine tasting from Mudgee’s Two Furlongs Winery.

No RSVP needed for the event. What a perfect way to purchase Christmas gifts and enjoy a pleasant afternoon!

**As there will be alcohol at this event no persons under 18 years of age are permitted on school grounds in accordance with regulations.**

**Teeze Candle’s Fundraiser**

Thank you for your support of our Candle fundraiser – we raised $230!

**Community News**

**The Hampton Hilltop Markets** are on the 17th October at Hampton Public School, 9am-1pm.

Along with over 40 fantastic stalls, workshops for the kids, hot food and coffee...Hampton Public School is providing a jumping castle, kids face painting, fairy floss, lucky dips, popcorn, kids games, cake stall and a sausage sizzle!!

It will be a fun day for the whole family, so come along and bring your friends!

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**Calendar**

**Term 4**

**Week 1**

Fri 9/10/15  Naidoc Day

**Week 2**

Broken Bay Excursion

**Wed 14/10/15**  SAKG RSVP and menu choices due

**Week 3**

Tues  P&C Meeting 2pm

Thurs 22/10/15  Pink Day fundraiser

Fri 23/10/15  SAKG Dinner @ 7pm

Sat 24/10/15  P&C Wine & Beer Tasting @ 2.30pm

**Week 4**

Wed 28/10/18  Lutanda Excursion

Thurs 29/10/15  Balgowlah Band Visit

Week 5

**Week 6**

Swimming School

**Week 7**

Tues 17/11/15  P&C Meeting 2pm

Fri 20/11/15  Authors Walk Opening

**Week 10**

Mon 7/12/15  Combined Schools Carols

Wed 9/12/15  Presentation Day

**Week 11**

Mon 14/12/15  Zig Zag Carols

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**HOCKEY CENTRE OF DEVELOPMENT**

Hockey NSW is holding a Centre of Development (COD) for U9s and U11s. The COD is suitable for all with a dual focus on fun and skill development.

Dates for the Lithgow COD are Mondays 4.30-5.30pm on 9th, 16th & 30th Nov, 14th Dec, 8th & 22nd Feb.

Email  kate.p@hockeynsw.com.au for further information or to register