Principals Report

K-6 Sydney Excursion

This was another great learning experience for our students. The children were an absolute pleasure to take to Sydney and although it was a very long day everybody coped exceptionally well.

Thank you to parents and carers for being so prompt and supportive when dropping off and picking up students. Such excursions provide the students with a wealth of experiences from riding on a train, first time on an escalator, meeting “real-life” authors or sitting in the “Shakespeare” room in the State Library – WOW!

Tomorrow we are going to Sydney. We are going to see lots of buildings. Maia Laurence

I liked the Buddha in the art gallery because they meditate. Shane Wright

Yesterday we went to Sydney. I liked the escalators very much. They were very, very high, I like them. Locksley De Beuzeville-Howarth

Cupcake Fundraiser

This event was very well supported by our community, THANK YOU EVERYONE The 4/5 class made approximately 120 cupcakes with very special purple icing.

Thank you to Martine Thompson and to Mrs Wallace for donating the ingredients for the cupcakes. As our part of Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea we have raised over $150 which will go towards cancer research, prevention and support. Well done!

Music Program

Students are progressing well in the music program with Miss Smith from the Mitchell Conservatorium of Music. They have been learning songs such as Head Shoulders Baby and Bravo Bravissimo.

I like playing the ukulele in music best. It is great fun.

Samara Morgan

Good Luck Ebbaney-Rose

Best wishes to Ebbaney-Rose Page who will be travelling to Guer to compete in the Western School Sport Association Cross Country Trials on Wednesday 10 June.

National Simultaneous Storytime

National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. This year the book read was The Brothers Quibble by Aaron Blabey.
Research has shown that reading to children has the greatest influence on their ability to read by themselves. Reading is a message getting process which increases and improves the more it is practised – Marie Clay.

**Nutritious Lunches**

Teachers are experiencing a lot of restless, distractive unfriendly behavior after break times. We have also noticed that the children have a lot of “junk” food to eat rather than a healthy sandwich and fresh fruit at both break times.

Whilst a treat is nice, we would appreciate it if parents could restrict treats to one per day. Unfortunately the amount of sugar, preservatives and additives seem to have an impact on the tolerance children have for others and their general ability to socialize and think before reacting, especially in the playground.

**Bus Behaviour**

Parents please remind children that unacceptable, silly or unsafe behavior on the bus or at bus stops WILL result in a bus suspension. I have had another complaint regarding the behavior of Zig Zag students waiting at Lithgow High School for a connecting bus.

**Up-Coming Performances**

We are very fortunate to be able to host visiting performances at our school – rather than having the additional cost of transport to provide wonderful learning experiences for our students. Two performances coming up are:

- Thursday 18 June - Ghana Beat My Drum
- Friday 19 June - LHS Musical performance of Cinderella

**Facebook**

Don’t forget to check out daily life at Zig Zag Public School on Facebook [www.facebook.com/zzpublicschool](http://www.facebook.com/zzpublicschool)

It is wonderful to read parents and relative’s comments as they engage in the students’ everyday life.

I know our posts are providing opportunities for lots of conversation between parents and children about what they are learning and how. Don’t forget to ask questions such as:

“What are you doing in this photo?”

“How did you do that?”

“Why?”

**Vicki Gillmore**

**Principal**

**P & C News**

**P&C Meeting**

Our next P&C meeting will be held a week earlier than usual – **Tuesday 9 June at 1.30pm**.

**Calendar**

Term 2

Week 8

- Mon 8/6/15 Public Holiday
- Tues 9/6/15 P&C Meeting at 1.30

Week 9

- Thurs 18/6/15 Ghana Beat My Drum
- Fri 19/6/15 LHS Cinderella Performance

Week 10

- Mon 22/6/16 Boys Soccer Game
- Fri 26/6/15 Last Day Term 2

Term 3

- Mon 13/7/15 Staff Development Day
- Tues 14/7/15 First Day Term 3