

Frank Partridge VC Public School

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Welcome to Week 3 of Term 4. How the year is flying by!

Our newsletter has changed in format a little this week. It will make it much easier to include student work samples and community information. Feedback on the new format will be most welcome as the newsletter is one of our key communication pathways and it is important that it is user friendly for our parents and carers. Lee has been working very hard on this and has done a wonderful job with our first issue!

We have transition programs at both ends of the Primary School spectrum over the next few weeks. Our Year 6 students will be involved in various activities at NHHS as part of their transition to Year 7 in 2014 and our pre-kindergarten students will be invited to attend our Kickstart transition programs each Friday as they prepare for kindy in 2014. It was great to see several parents taking advantage of the information session on Tuesday organised by Robyn Beauchamp and our Year 6 students attending the 1st in a series of Science days on Wednesday. Both these programs are integral to your child's education next year. Please be sure to keep an eye on our calendar for the upcoming dates and feel free to give us a ring should you have any questions. Dorothy Leahy is your contact for Year 6 to Year 7 transition and Amy Campton or Julie Daley are your contacts for our Kickstart program.

Well done to Mrs Smith and her band of Year 6 workers on their Mini Fete! It was a wonderful experience for our kids and community and I am sure that they have raised some much needed funds for their Year 6 Farewell. Thank you to all of our school community for their generous support.

Stage 3 reported an educational time at the movies on Thursday. They watched "Satellite Boy" and were most interested in the subtle underlying themes within the movie. It was wonderful to hear from our 2 school captains immediately after they returned to school they popped in to give me a quick rundown on the content and how they interpreted the script.

Well done to all of our touch footy kids on Friday! Their behaviour was impeccable and their performances on the field an absolute credit to them. It was most rewarding to see their great sportsmanship, competitive nature and willingness to look after their peers in action. The new shirts supplied at very short notice by Nambucca T-Shirts (Thank you Vicki!!) looked great and matched the pride shown by all members of our teams. The Stage 3 team won 2 and lost 2 and our Stage 2 team won 3 and lost 1. Thank you to all of the parents, carers and staff who found the time and made the effort to come down and watch our kids play. A huge thank you also to Danielle from Busways who provided our transport. Thanks to Mr Freebairn, Victoria, Cass and Nerida for their support on the day.

Some of our kindy kids will be out and about visiting one of our local pre-schools with Mrs Beauchamp and Lee to explain to our 2014 kindy's just what an exciting year lays ahead for them. I am sure that they will do our school proud.

Our Year 6 Farewell preparations are in full swing. There will be a meeting this Wednesday for all interested parents. Our second science day at NHHS will also be held on Wednesday with the Year 6 students heading down to the high school for a day of forensics fun.

Stage 1 are heading off to Dundurrabin Public School for their excursion on Friday, whilst all of our remaining students will have the opportunity to participate in a basketball clinic being organised by Ms Baker.

There are certainly busy times ahead for all concerned. Have a great week.

Todd.

Diary

Wed 23/10

Forensics Yr 6

Friday 25/10

Stg 1 Excursion to
Dundurrabin

Basketball Clinic

Wed 30/10

Forensics Yr 6

Thurs 31/10

Kinder Orientation

Pink Day

Music Count us In

Fri 1/11

Basketball Clinic

Molly Matthews



Shania Easwood Stankowski



Lily Dedman



Cassie Ferris



Terryn Hopper



These Lions Club Peace Posters by Year 5 and 6 look fantastic!

Congratulations!

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Students who receive a "Caught You Being Good" go into a daily draw to win a \$2.00 voucher.

Congratulations to the following students:

Rhiannon White KC - Playing nicely, Anthony Gordon 4M - Wearing a hat, Patrick Bagnall 3H - Wearing a hat, Lily Dedman 5/6S, Zane Beuzeville 3H - Playing nicely.

Assembly Awards - Shanara Taylor, Jaynarleeya Munro, Ethan Willard, Alana Humphreys, Cyan Elmes, Aynsley McEachran, Zane Pearson, Ebony Wylie, Yolanda Jones, Hannah Deger, Edmund Hurley, Frank Richards, Kyan Jarrett -Marks, Seth Barton, Damon Simon-Wilson, Makayla Lamb, Auston Babula, Lachlan Giles, Mykalah McEachran,

Sky Sisson, Taz Streatfield, James Donovan

CARE SAFE RESPECT RESPONSIBLE

State Athletics Carnival

A big congratulations to Shantahla Jarrett-Marks on her fantastic effort in Shot-Put at State level last week. Shantahla came 17th out of 39 competitors! Outstanding effort. Well done Shantahla!



2014 Year 3 Bus Applications

If your child catches a bus and will be in Year 3 in 2014, you should have received a new bus application form to complete from Busways.

Please send in the new application to the Front Office before the end of the school year so you can receive a new bus pass for your child during the school holidays.

Choir Practice

Every Monday and Thursday at lunch time Mrs Daley will be running choir practice in the kindergarten room. The students will be learning songs which will be sung at the Valla Community Carols on 13th December. Please encourage your child to attend as it builds confidence, friendships and is a lot of fun.



Frank Partridge VC Pink Day

Every day in Australia, 50 women are told that they have Breast Cancer or some other kind of gynaecological cancer.

On Thursday, 31 October the school will be holding a Pink Day to support those who suffer from these cancers. Children and staff are asked to wear something pink on this day and bring along a **gold coin donation** for the privilege.

The staff will be holding a special morning tea in support.

The canteen will also be selling pink foods and there will be Face Painting and a Pink Novelties stall at lunchtime. All money raised will be donated to the Cancer Council. Also on this day at 11.30am the entire school will be singing the 2013 'Music, Count Us In' Song - Keep On. This song is sung by many schools across the country at the same time. Please encourage your child to support our PINK DAY!!!

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION FEES

Term 4
contribution fees of
\$10 per student are
now due.

Library News

Book Club Orders are due by Monday 25th October.

Weekly Chess Competitions are in the Library on Wednesdays and Fridays. All welcome!





Spotlight on...

Year 6 Mini Fete



200's Club Winners

- 1st-Denise Schofield
- 2nd-Julie Hamilton
- 3rd -Denise Schofield

Jelly Bean Winner-
Sonia Stone

Smartie Winner-
Makayla Donovan



**Next P&C
Meeting
Wednesday 20th
November
4pm in the
Staffroom.
All Welcome**

**P & C Motto:
Participate &
Communicate**
Meet every third
Wednesday of the
month

CANTEEN MEAL OFFERS *Normal menu available every day*

Name: _____ Class: _____

WEDNESDAY 23 October

BBQ CHICKEN WITH MIXED LETTUCE , ROAST PUMPKIN, SUNDRIED TOMATO AND
FETA SALAD
PRICE \$6.50

Name: _____ Class: _____

THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER

BEEF AND BEAN NACHOS (BEEF, MINCE, KIDNEY BEANS, CORN CHIPS, SOUR CREAM)
PRICE \$5.00

Name: _____ Class: _____

FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER

CHICKEN BURGER AND RANCH DRESSING
PRICE \$3.90

Name: _____ Class: _____

MONDAY 28 OCTOBER

6 CHICKEN NUGGETS WITH SAUCE: TOMATO/BBQ
ORCHY FRUIT JUICE ORANGE/APPLE PASSIONFRUIT
PRICE \$4.70

Community News



Giiguy Gamambi Pre-School
**Now taking enrolments for 3 year olds for
2014.**
**Call 65694077 or come in and pick up an
enrolment form.**

SPECIALIST STUDENT VISUAL ARTS WORKSHOP

DATE: Tues 29th / Wed 30th Oct / Friday 1st November,

VENUE : Glasshouse Regional Art Gallery
Cnr Clarence & Hay Streets, Port Macquarie

TIME: 9:00am - 3:00pm

COST: \$44.00 + GST PER STUDENT PER DAY

CONTACT Lisa van den Dolder Ph: 9550 9083 Mob: 0434 567 415
Email; lisa.vandendolder@det.nsw.edu.au

Gumbaynggirr Language Course

Muurrbay will be offering a Certificate III
in Gumbaynggirr in 2014.

The completion of this certificate will
enable you to teach Gumbaynggirr lan-
guage in schools and the community.

For more information please contact
Sue Tomkins at

sue.tomkins@muurrbay.org.au or call
to discuss it on 0265 694 294.

Come if You Dare

Macksville Soccer Club is hosting a fully adult supervised
Halloween Disco for all Ghost and Goblins.

When: Friday 1st November

Where: Macksville Tennis Club Hall

Time: 5:30pm - 7pm for all 6 to 10 year old witches and wizards

7:30pm - 9:30pm for all 11 to 15 year old zombies and
zombettes

Cost: \$5 per creature, includes chips and drink

Prizes for the best dressed.

Drinks and Halloween treats for sale on the night.



The National Parks Association in partner-
ship with Great Eastern Ranges Initiative is
running the inaugural NSW Koala Count
from 7th to 17th November 2013 and is
seeking Citizen Scientists. For more infor-
mation log on to

npansw.org.au/data