Another Great Success

Our yearly Obstathon was held last Friday and it was once again a huge success for everyone.

All children (and two very enthusiastic Year 1 teachers) had an amazing fun day with jumps, balances, hurdles, slips and slides all mixed with an abundance of mud and water. We would like to especially thank Mr Kunde and Mr Wilson for setting up, cleaning up and for having us.

Thank you also to our lovely prep teachers and students for lending us their stalls and tunnels. Thank you to the Year 6/7B and 6/7A students and Mr Wilson for running the day so successfully. Everyone was so well behaved on the day. Congratulations to all.

We would also like to acknowledge and give a special mention to parent Alma from "All About Fruit" for not only donating beautiful tasting watermelons but for also setting up a table and cutting them up for our many appreciative students and teachers during the day.

We haven’t finished tallying the money yet but should know soon.

Thank you, Happy Obstathon Kids

NEWSLETTER

Monday
4 November, 2013

DIARY DATES

November
8 Garden Party
10 End of Year
13-15 Yr 7 Canberra Camp
22 End of Year Disco

December
4 D70??????? ????
5 Swim Carnival (P-G2)
6 Swim Carnival (G3-G7)
6 D70??????? ????
10 Christmas Concert
13 Last Day of School

REMINDERS

NFSS SWIM CLUB
Monday nights from 6pm

READING CLUB
Tuesday morning 8.15am in Library.

STUDENT BANKING
Every Friday

From the Principal’s Desk…

As we reach the half way point in Term 4 we are all feeling the impact of a very warm spring. Students are reminded to ensure they bring their broad brimmed hat and water bottle to school daily. To reinforce sun safety procedures, students are reminded to seek shade at play times, take plenty of drinks in rest periods and to eat lunch under the buildings. Each classroom has sunscreen available for the students to use.

Social Skills

This week’s social skill is “You’ll Never Know If You Don’t Have A Go”. On assembly Mrs Fletcher’s class presented a range of skills that reinforced the importance of this week’s message which encourages children to be brave and try something new or challenging. They should be proud of having a go and that learning is a great step forward.

2014 Enrolments

Each year we need to predict our class allocations for the following year. We appreciate families letting us know of their intentions for the 2014 school year. If you do know that your children will not be attending New Farm State School in 2014 could you please let the office know as soon as possible.

Prep 2014

We are still taking Prep enrolments. Thank you to those parents who have been spreading the word. If your child is eligible for Prep 2014, you should submit your enrolment application as soon as possible. Birth certificates and proof of residency should be provided.

Year 7 Canberra Camp “UnearthEd”

Good luck to our Year 7s next week as they head off to Canberra. We wish them all a fabulous time!

Fire Drill

We conducted our Term 4 drill last week. Thank you to the ladies in the Tuckshop and visiting parents who worked with us during the drill practice. Our lock down drill will be conducted in a fortnight. Thank you to staff for reinforcing procedures with students as part of our regular evacuation and inclusion drills.

Garden Party Help

The garden party is this Friday! We are looking for a few helpers to make the event a success. We need help with raffle prize donations, helping a hand when you can all day Friday 9am-6pm, and homebakers—start baking! Drop off homebake to the office Thursday and Friday or straight to the Little Farm after 2pm Friday.

If you can help, please email to Annalis2010@live.com.au or text to 0409 036 305.
From the Principal’s Desk (Cont.)

Upcoming Events
I am aware that Term 4 has lots of activities and events that parents like to schedule time away from work to attend. Please ensure that you have checked our diary updates (on the front page of our newsletters) so that you can make the appropriate arrangements. Some of them include:

- Swimming Carnival
- School Dance
- Graduation
- Christmas Concert

MUSICAL SOIREE
Sunday, 10 November from 2.30pm

An afternoon Musical Soiree showcasing students in the Instrumental Music Program, Junior and Senior choirs will be held this Sunday from 2.30pm for a 3.00pm start.

This concert will feature all students performing in various ensembles as well as solos and an awards presentation.

Attendance is expected from 2:30pm to help set up and warm up. Please notify your Ensemble Director, Mr McIntyre or Mrs Thacker if this is not possible.

Join the musicians for a post concert picnic to celebrate their achievements!

Please bring an afternoon tea plate contribution (sweet – savoury) to share with other families. The P & C will be providing drinks – tea, coffee and cordial.

A few parent helpers will also be needed to set up cups and food and to clean up afterwards.

If you are able to assist with set up or pack up or have any questions about the afternoon tea, please contact Lisa Neighbour (Romy’s Mum) at lisa.neighbour@optusninet.com.au

Your afternoon tea contribution can be dropped off at the tuckshop prior to the concert.

Tug-O-Warriors

Last week, Grade 4 to 7 students from houses Binbitka, Merthyr and Teneriffe competed in a Tug-O-War competition. The purpose of the event was to raise money for school banners. There were 6 ‘tugs’ culminating in the final between Binbitka and Merthyr. Binbitka were the victors and thoroughly enjoyed their prize of an ice block after all their hard work! Thank you to Mrs Alcorn and the Sports Leadership Group for organising the event.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING – FRIDAYS AT NFSS

72 students banked last Friday which is great as it was a very busy morning due to the Obasthion.

PLEASE REDEEM ALL TOKENS (IN MULTIPLES OF 10) BY THE END OF 2013. An upgrade to our Student Banking System means that a maximum of 9 tokens can be carried into 2014! The new competition this term requires 2 deposits through Student Banking being made before 30 November and you could win an iPod touch or an adventure DVD pack.

Congratulations to Jack C, Tabitha B and Dylan M for receiving their Bronze Certificates this week. Congratulations to Oliver A, Huon P, Ruby R, Tracy Y, Nathan M, Mackenzie Y, Jasmine F, Nicholas F and Cecilia Y for receiving their Silver Certificates this week. Congratulations also to Jake T, Flynn R, Jaye L, Owen P, Olivia LC, Erin S, Mackenzie Y and Nicholas F for receiving their rewards this week.

Most Mondays I will be near the front of the hall after assembly to answer any banking questions (but not next Monday, 11 November). I will try and have some rewards with me for those students who would like to redeem tokens without presentation at assembly.

Karen Ridout, ridout@optusninet.com.au or 0412 024 644

BOOKFAIR – FANTASTIC RESULT!

A very big thank you to all the children and families who supported our Book Fair last week.

The school raised $1200 in commission which will go towards purchasing new books for the library.

New books are always on display, so pop in and have a look. Narelle Hoelzl – Teacher Librarian

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Thank you to everyone who wished us “Happy Tuckshop Day” last Friday. We appreciate your kind wishes and thoughts.

ONLINE ORDERING

Don’t forget to register for online ordering. It is quick and easy to use. To sign up – go to www.flexischools.com.au.

WEDNESDAY MENU FOR TERM 4

We have salad wraps - vegetarian or with chicken or ham, pasta with a vegetarian tomato sauce. Yoghurt, fruit and drinks are also for sale. Online orders close at 8.00am. Counter orders must be before 9.00am.

FRIDAY TUCKSHOP

To avoid the long queues on Friday mornings you can order online. Cut off time is 8.00am on Fridays. If you order over the counter, please have your order in before 9.00am and make sure you have your child’s name and class clearly marked.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - 8 NOVEMBER

Tuckshop (9.00 – 11.30am) - Adam Gray, Rachel Kendrick & Rosemarie Cremona

Canteen (8.30 – 9.15am) - Kris Webb & Judith Hunter

Baking - Cath Byrne, Dimity Williams, Jodie Nelson, Kylie Harr

igla, Catrina Dalla and Skye McKay

Thank you to everyone who supports the tuckshop. Terri-Anne and JIn