Assistant Principal’s Message

National Partnerships
As you are aware our school is very fortunate to be a part of the federally funded National Partnerships program. On Tuesday the 9th of April we are having some special visitors come to our school to discuss with us the plans that we have in place to meet the needs of our learning community.

The federal Minister for Education Peter Garrett and the federal member for Fowler Chris Hayes will visit our school to view the wonderful programs that we have in place.

We ask that all students are dressed in full school uniform in order to represent our school with pride. Some of our children will get to meet these guests personally. I am sure that as always our students will make us proud in the way that they conduct themselves.

This special event may make the mass media so we will keep you informed as to where you can get further information.

Easter Hat Parade
Thank you to all the families that joined us for this celebration. The students looked wonderful and everyone had a great time dancing and singing with their friends. A big thank you to Mrs Lanzafame, Mrs Dickson, Miss Ngov, Mrs Hayton and Mrs Forland for all the hard work that went on behind the scenes.

Attendance Month
A very big congratulations to the 138 students that made attendance month successful. On Wednesday they enjoyed a pizza party in the hall. The students enjoyed their lunch and a fun party afterwards. The aim of attendance month is to advertise the importance of regular attendance at school.

Assessment shows that children who do not attend school regularly have gaps in their education. Routine and regular attendance ensure students are more settled.

Thank you,
Mrs Howlett

School Calendar

Week 10
Fri. 5th April - Preschool class photos

Week 11
Mon. 8th April - P & C Meeting 9.15am
Mon. 8th April - Parent Workshop - NAPLAN 12.30pm
Mon. 8th April - Books in Homes Assembly 2-3
Thurs. 11th April - K-2 Disco and Mufti
Fri. 12th April - Last day of Term 4

Term 2
Week 1
Wed. May 1st - Students return P-6

Week 2
Wed. May 8th - Mothers’ Day stall
Thurs. May 9th - Mothers’ Day stall
News and Information

Stage 1 Disco
The students in B Wing are having a Disco next week to raise money for their excursion to IMAX next Term. Please support this event to subsidise the cost of the excursion. A note about this event went home on Thursday.

Mothers Day stall
In term 2 we will be having a Mothers Day stall. Presents for mum will be from $2 to $10.

KIP
The children that attend the KIP group on Wednesdays are hosting a drawing competition to raise funds for Stewart House. Please support this cause

DRAWING COMPETITION
Win prizes!
Draw a fruit or vegetable superhero.
Cost: Gold coin donation
Fundraising for Stewart House - who support children in public schools
Drawings and donations will be collected in class.
Competition closes on the 8th of May.

Public Speaking Years 1-6
We are continuing to implement a school based public speaking competition, which will be held in Term 2. This is to promote talking and listening within our school and to prepare our students for the 2013 competitions.
Each student is required to present in front of their class a prepared speech on a chosen topic. Class teachers will select 2 class finalists. Class finalists will present their prepared speech to their stage and two stage winners will be chosen to represent our School. Stage 2 & 3 class finalists will also be required to present an impromptu speech.
Students will be receiving information very shortly and we ask if help can be given at home to research their speech. Students have the school holidays coming up, so this is a great time to help your child research their speech. Public Speaking tips can be viewed on the Schools a-z website.

School A-Z is a fantastic website with many resources for parents. http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/

All parents are welcome to attend our Books in Homes assembly on Monday 2-3.

Preschool waiting list applications for 2014 are now available at the office.

Woolworths Earn and Learn vouchers will begin next week. Please start collecting them for us.

Honour Awards
Congratulations to the students who have earned an Honour Award this month.

Anthony N 1S
Angel L 1S
Ryan L 1S
Sharron T 1S
Faith G 1/2B

Mikayla H 1/2B
Shemyah H 2O
Tiven H 3/4M
Michelle N 3/4M
Cathy L 5/6B
Brendon T 5/6B

Felicia T 5/6S
Benjamin J 5/6S
Ricky L 5/6S
Jessica L 5/6S
Please look at the schools website for more Easter Hat photos.

Well Done to the students that attended school EVERYDAY for the month of March and were not late.