NEWSLETTER NO.8– 26th March 2014

From the Principal

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Phil Kettle, acclaimed children’s book author visited our school today, providing students with a great presentation including ways to develop their story-writing where he finds inspiration for his own stories.

Support A Reader
We have scheduled this training for after parade on Thursday. If you would like to attend, simply come along and review the strategies we use at school. The event will be in the library and we are supplying a simple morning tea. If you have younger children, as long as they do not distract too much, they are also welcome albeit your responsibility.

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New cybersafety website
The Meet the creeps cybersafety website helps parents and students become aware of online scams, social media pitfalls and cyberbullying. The joint Telstra and Queensland Government project aims to equip middle school students with the skills to keep safe online.

Crackers the clown and Shifty Shane are just two of the characters you will meet in a new interactive quiz designed to highlight potential online dangers.

Hair cuts, jewellery & nail polish etc
I am extremely proud of how the children at this school present themselves in full school uniform. There is some jewellery creeping in and this becomes an issue if it is lost or taken. Please ensure your child is not wearing any, and then there are no issues in this regard.

A reminder also that ‘tracks’ and Mohawk style haircuts are not part of our uniform policy. If children really like these styles, I really encourage them to have their hair cut in this style on the first day of the Christmas holiday!! It’s then a really special treat.

School Attendance
Congratulations to everyone for our improved school attendance. We are aiming for 95% attendance at this school every week. At present our attendance rate is 93.4% which is very close. Keep up the great work!

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support
As children get tired, they do not always choose the best way of solving their disputes and issues. This week we, as a school will be really focussing on keeping hands, feet and objects to oneself. This is a very important safety rule.

Principal Word of the Week
A great predictor of success in literacy, particularly reading is a wide vocabulary. Most classes have instituted a ‘word of the week’ and to support this, I thought I also could have a word of the week. Many of these words will come from http://www.wordthink.com/ which focuses on words that can be used every day. My word of the week this week is:

Frenetic
Frenetic (fre-net-ic) adj Fast and energetic in a rather wild and uncontrolled way: “A frenetic ride on the snowboard.” The crowd in the undercover area today was quite frenetic with the wet weather!

CobuildDictionarywebsite:
http://dictionary.reverso.net/english-cobuild/

REMINDER

Bunning’s BBQ Graduation Fundraiser
SATURDAY 3rd MAY 2014

Grade 6 Families
- Please return BBQ Help Roster with your preferred time.
- Bring in donations of drinks, sauce, serviettes and BBQ trays to school. (Store in room next to classrooms).

Thank you.
Sally McGlashan (0449758286)
Annette Phillips (0488154155)

Sports Notices

Boys Touch Football
Congratulations to Tom Clulee on being selected in the Cumberland Sub-District Boys Touch Football Team. Well done mate!

Notes from Solastic Bookclub
Like many other booksellers around the world, we have been overwhelmed by the unprecedented demand for all Minecraft titles. Unfortunately, this means that we are currently unable to supply The Minecraft Beginner’s Handbook, which some of your students have ordered. We have enclosed a refund token, plus a free consolation book for every child who ordered this title.

P&C Notices

Next general meeting
Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 14th May at 6.30pm in the school library. All welcome.

Easter Eggs
We are well aware that Easter is at the end of the school holidays this term, however we will still be doing our end of term Easter celebrations.
- Please bring in a bag of Easter Eggs to the office if you would like your child/children to participate in classroom Easter Egg hunts during the last day of school this term.
- ONLY one egg per family.
- If you could drop these into the office before Wednesday 2nd April, it would be appreciated.

If you do not wish your child to participate in this event, please discuss your wishes directly with their classroom teacher.

Easter Bonnet Parade
Easter Bonnet parade will be held on Thursday 3rd April. Please start decorating your Easter Bonnets for what is always a fun filled event.

School Banking
For anyone thinking of opening a new account, now is the time. All deposits in the first week of Term 2 will become entries into a Commonwealth Bank competition. Now this is for prospective, as well as established bankers. More information will be delivered on Parade over the next two weeks.

5 Cent Challenge
5 Cent Challenge will be starting in week one of term 2, so start collecting your 5 cent pieces and compete with other classes!

Tuckshop Volunteers
Marika, our tuckshop convenor is always happy to see new and returning volunteers for our school tuckshop. If you would like to assist, please contact Marika during opening hours.
P&C President, Sarah-Jane Thompson 0429613249

Student of the Week – 20th March
Congratulations to the following students for achieving Student of the Week last week:

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For contributing thoughtful ideas to class discussions.
Yr 3P  
Mrs Peltonen  
Blayd  
For being a problem solving champion.

Yr 3/4W  
Mrs Williams  
Madeline  
For constantly producing high level of homework.

Yr 4A  
Ms Armstrong  
Harrison  
For being an enthusiastic student, you asked great questions at Life Education!

Yr 4B  
Mr Brandon  
Bella  
For great classroom work and always looking to help others.

Yr 5O  
Mr O’Hara  
Mercedes  
For always producing work at a very high standard.

Yr 5/6B  
Miss Brooks  
Tayah  
Great ATTITUDE at school, all day, everyday! It is a pleasure having you in 5/6B.

Yr 5/6S  
Mr Stafford  
Daniel  
Working well on classroom activities.

Music  
Ms Elliott  
Prep M  
For enthusiasm and great participation in Music activities.

PE  
Ms Lloyd  
4B  
For focusing on improving individual goals over the past weeks.

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Community Notices

Helping Hands Bucasia Outside School Hours Care – Your child’s “home away from home”

Helping Hands Bucasia provides quality childcare for school aged children. Located on school site guarantees safety and convenience for children and their families. We offer a pick-up and delivery service to Prep and Year One classrooms so you have peace of mind that your little ones are safe at all times. Our qualified staff ensure your children are fully supervised at all times.

Service opening hours: Before School: 6:30am – 8:50am, After School: 3:00pm – 6:00pm, Vacation Care 6:30am – 6:00pm

We currently have vacancies for Before & After School Care and Vacation Care. For more information, enrolments and bookings contact Amy on 0427 007 113.

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FOR SALE

Various toys and books for toddlers (and some baby gear). Make an offer:

- Big Lego
- Jigsaws
- Books
- Waterplay
- Small bike with trainer wheels
- Games.

Contact Sally McGlashan - phone 49548286 or Text 0449758286

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The Northern Beaches Girl Guides Unit

Now has vacancies for girls from the age of seven.

Come along, have some fun and meet new friends.

WHEN: Mondays, 5.30pm-7pm
WHERE: Girl Guide Hut (next to the kindy), Fisher St, Bucasia

For more information, please call Lyn on 0407 658 042 or Lauren on 0412 226 901.