West Whispers

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Wednesday, 12th March, 2014
Term 1 Week 7

Be Responsible

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Week 7
Wed 12th

March

- Swimming
- Annual General Meeting
- Canteen 12.30pm
- 5-a-side Soccer Gala Day
- Classes 2/3D, 3M, 3/4F
- 4/5H Sport – Swimming
- SRC Fundraising – Out of Uniform Day

Thurs 13th
Fri 14th

Week 8
Tues 18th
Fri 21st

League Trials 11’s, opens
Harmony day
AFL LNC Trials
Classes 2/3D, 3M, 3/4F
4/5H Sport – Swimming

Week 9
Fri 28th

Week 10
Tues 1st
Thurs 3rd
Fri 4th

April

Macleay Soccer Trials
Macleay Netball Trials
Out of Uniform Day
Easter Egg Drive

Be Respectful

Be Safe

This week in PBL – our three school rules for going to the CANTEEN

- Be Responsible
  - Stay in lines
  - Return to eating area after buying

- Be Respectful
  - Follow instructions
  - Consider others
  - Wait your turn quietly
  - Speak politely

- Be Safe
  - Walk
  - Stand quietly in lines
  - Leave area promptly

Rewards in our School

Kindergarten Passports

All Kindergarten students are learning how to be Responsible, Respectful and Safe in a variety of school settings. When demonstrating this knowledge, they are issued a passport at the end of the year which entitles them to the reward.

Support Unit Classes

Some support unit classes have their own reward system based on individual achievement.

Year 1-6 Students

Students from these grades have a three tiered reward system – Bronze, Silver and Gold. Each level has specific criteria and is accumulative. For Silver and Gold reward, once a class teacher feels that a student is demonstrating the appropriate behaviour, the student is nominated so that all staff agrees that the student is demonstrating the required behaviours in all school settings.

Can I please have…?

Thank you

Picking Up and Dropping Off Students – Please be aware that the “Parking Inspector” is about and bus zones are not legal ‘drop off’ or ‘pick up’ points for your children.

We are aware that many car parks are taken at this time of day so would suggest that it would be safe for your child to walk to the front gate from Sea Street or Tozer Street if necessary. Please do not park in our neighbours’ driveways.

Lyn Dockrill, Principal

It is so important that you make time to meet and speak with your child’s teacher.

If you have not been able to attend a meeting, please either ring for an appointment or come and see your child’s teacher.
**You Can Do It**: Out of Uniform Day

Come wearing one of the colours for our ‘You Can Do It’ characters *this Friday the 14th March*, and bring in your gold coin donation to help our SRC fundraising.

**RED- Rosie resilience**

**YELLOW- Charlie confidence**

**GREEN- Gary get along**

**ORANGE- Olivia organisation**

**PURPLE- Penny persistence**

Also, we are having an Easter Egg Guessing Competition! It will cost 50c a guess!

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**We need your support! 2014 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

The amount we ask families to pay goes 100% towards your child’s education, buying items that we could not afford without your support. We are asking that you contribute as follows:

- 1 Child - $15.00 for the whole year
- 2 or more children - $20.00 for the whole year

This week Kindergarten have been learning about the Very Clumsy Click Beetle. Our Eric Carle’s display is almost finished. Parents and Carers are welcome to come to the library before school to look at their child’s Grouchy Lady Beetles, Busy Spiders and Rubber Ducks.

*Emma Bates, Teacher Librarian*

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**CAINTEEN ROSTER**

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Please send in correct money with your child’s lunch order. Please place all hot food orders before 9.20am. We do not keep money in the Canteen overnight. We are unable to change $50, $20 and $10 notes.

Please advise Gwen if you are unable to help on your day.

Phone @ school: 6562 7044

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**NEWS FROM SCHOOLS AS COMMUNITY CENTRES**

‘Kempsey Kids Corner’ is a new facebook site that has been set up locally by Families NSW. It often has information about community or family activities happening in Kempsey and the Macleay. It also has useful parenting information or helpful hints about children’s craft activities. If you are on facebook, just “like it” and you will be updated with new posts.

**PLAYGROUPS IN KEMPSEY**

There are quite a few playgroups in our area that are fun and educational for children 0-5 years as well as providing an opportunity for parents to make friends and help their child have a great start to school.

Karen Hall, Facilitator, Schools as Community Centres
Congratulations to the following students

MERIT AWARDS
KR – Tahlia P, Lillie-Rose D
KH – Abigail L, Shemeka S
KJ – Eli D, Abigail D
K/1E – Maddison F, Logan McA
1B – Jasmin F, Kody F
1/2S – Shane D, Sophie L
2B – Lachlan M, Shelley T
2/3D – Melisha W, Evan O
3M – Mariyah C, Amaru T
3/4F – Justin R, Shantel F
5/6P – Tori W, Savanna L
5/6S – Silas G, Sophie K
6K – Shakeeta S, Lily K
3-6T – Brodie D, Jordan T
SL – Reyon W,


LOU’S CAFÉ RESTAURANT REWARD VOUCHER - Trent F.

Issue 2 order forms will be sent home with students this week. Please complete order forms and place in an envelope with correct money, marked with child’s name and class and return to the canteen by 9.30am Friday 21st March, 2014.

Tashi

On Tuesday we went to the glasshouse in Port Macquarie to see Tashi. We saw two episodes. They were “Tashi and the White Tigers” and “Tashi: Lost in the City”. My favourite part was when the man with the glass eye was stuck under the rubble and I liked it when Tashi ate Ghost Pie and pushed through the boulder and I also liked the part when Jack was bursting to go to the toilet. by Ruby 2/3D

I liked the part when Tashi made a fire and got out of the cell in The Lucky Chance Hotel and saved his new friend Wang. by Joshua 2/3D

Tashi gave us the book Lost in The City and a poster for our library. My favourite part was when Tashi and Jack got stuck in the lift. by Jade 3-6T

My favourite part was when the white tigers were dancing. It was funny when the tigers were doing karate moves. The music sounded like disco music and there were scary effects also. by Evan 2/3D

I liked it when Tashi met the stranger who had a glass eye. Tashi saved the stranger after an earthquake. Tashi always has lots of adventures. by Melisha 2/3D
Congratulations to the following students who were voted as House Captains for 2014

Barton
Captains – Amy Kliendienst, Kevin Sines
Vice Captain – Sherilee Cooper

Parkes
Captains – Jordana Kerr, Paton Simpson

Deakin
Captains – Jack Mealing, Maleah Waters-Holten
Vice Captains – Jackson White, Joann Styles

Wentworth
Captains – Amarah Lockwood, Josiah Marshall
Vice Captains – Ellie Fogg, Chris Cullen