

Printer

We have a printer in good working order in the office which has been donated to the school by Isis Mary Hallett. Please contact the office if you are interested. All that we ask for is a small donation to the school.

Thank you very much to Isis Mary.

Stewart House Donation Drive

There is an envelope attached to this newsletter. Please return your donation (minimum \$2) before Friday 11th May. This gives you a chance to win a \$4000 family holiday to a destination of your choice.

Drawn Friday 25th May.

The winner will be contacted by phone and mail, and the winner's name will be published in the Sydney Morning Herald.

Your donation supports the 1800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

Additions and Attachments

- ♦ Some receipts
- ♦ Xstrata Coal information on changes to traffic management process.
- ♦ Stewart House envelopes.

SANDY HOLLOW PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

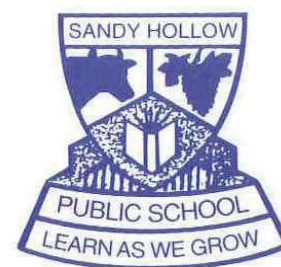
**TICKETS \$1.00 EACH
TO BE DRAWN FRIDAY 11TH MAY,
2012.**

**ALL TICKETS TO BE IN BY THIS
DATE TO HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN
THESE PRIZES:**

- ♦ **LUNCH FOR TWO AT DENMAN ROYAL**
- ♦ **\$30 GIFT VOUCHER PRECIOUS PIECES**
- ♦ **\$30 GIFT VOUCHER AT SHERYN'S BEAUTY**
- ♦ **\$20 GIFT VOUCHER CHOCOLATE HILLS**
- ♦ **GIFT BASKET**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS
SCHOOL EXCURSION COST.**

**THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS FOR
THEIR GENEROUS DONATIONS.**



SANDY HOLLOW SNIPPETS

"Creating Future Leaders"

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5th May, 2012

Welcome back. I trust everyone had a relaxing and restful holiday. We have a very busy term planned with athletics, Pittman Cup, NAPLAN, Walkathon, Premier's Sporting Challenge and singing with Adam Wills, just to name a few. I know both students and staff are looking forward to all of these activities. This term, we welcome back Ms Higgins, who was relieving at Merriwa Central School last term. She has resumed her role, working with Ms Bullock on K-1-2. The students are quite excited to have her back on board. A big thank you to Ms Bullock, who replaced Ms Higgins during Term 1.

Anzac Day March

It was very pleasing to see so many students attend the Anzac Day march at Denman. From all reports, they did a fantastic job representing our school. Thank you Ms Bullock for supervising our students on the day and thank you to Jeannie Harris for co-ordinating the reading and ordering the wreath.



Staff Development Day

Teaching staff attended a very informative staff development day at Muswellbrook last week. We worked with staff from all the small schools in the Upper Hunter. Our specific focus for the day was literacy. We looked closely at the literacy continuum, which is already used by staff to inform them about student achievement through Best Start. We are now looking at extending this assessment right through to Year 6.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Leadership Conference Thurs 3rd May

**P&C Meeting Thurs 10th May
2pm Old library**

**2nd excursion installment due
Fri 11th May
Photos Mon 14th May**

Pittman Cup Wed 30th May

**Canteen Monday 7th May -
Lyric Anderson / Annita Hinze
Monday 14th May - Megan Turner**

Next Toybox - Mon 7th May

**Claim the Date
Trivia Night Sat 23rd June
Aussie Bush Camp 25th to 27th July**



Nutrition Snippet Did You Know???

9 out of 10 parents in the Hunter do not eat enough vegies on a daily basis and about half don't eat enough fruit every day.

A lifetime of eating enough fruit and vegies can help protect you against:



- Coronary heart disease
- Help prevent some cancers
- Overweight and obesity
- Constipation
- Help reduce blood pressure and cholesterol levels
- Improve control and prevention of diabetes

But more importantly, by eating more fruit and veg you'll be a healthy role model for your kids, helping to protect them against these conditions.

For more information about the *Eat It To Beat It* program please visit www.cancer council.org.au/eatittobeatit or phone 4923 0710.



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Woolies Earn and Learn

It's on again – Woolies Earn and Learn. From May 9th, you can start collecting stickers from Woolies when you shop. These stickers will be placed on a card supplied by the school. Once the card is full, it is returned to school and a replacement is issued.

Last year, we used our vouchers to purchase a variety of science equipment including magnifying glasses, thermometers, a magnet kit and an electricity kit. This equipment will enhance our practical science based lessons.

Athletics

A reminder that Athletics has started. The cost per student is \$2 per week, which can be paid in full or by the week. If children do not pay up front each week, they will be offered alternative sporting activities.

Premier's Sporting Challenge

Premier's Sporting Challenge has started. This term, all students (and Mrs Parker) have been registered to participate in the sporting challenge. Each student was issued with a card on Friday to record their sporting activities. We will of course record all sporting activities at school, but students are also encouraged to participate in physical activity outside school. Any physical activity recorded after school will have to be verified by parents' initials. Students will need to bring their cards to school every day. Thank you to Mrs Parker for organising our students' participation in this event.



Singing Lessons

Last week we started singing lessons with Mr Adam Wills from the Conservatorium of Music in Muswellbrook. Adam is preparing the students for the Eisteddfod later in the term.

Football Clinic

On Monday our students had a football clinic session with Kasey from ARL. They had the opportunity to participate in a session on football skills and then a literacy lesson on why it is important for football players to eat healthy food. Thank you to Mrs Parker for organising this.

Impact Leadership Conference

On Thursday, all Year 6 students will travel to Tamworth with students from all Upper Hunter Small Schools to attend the Impact Leadership Conference. They will listen to guest speakers and learn some valuable leadership skills through activities and games conducted throughout the day. It will also be a chance to network with Year 6 students from other schools. We look forward to them returning to school and implementing the skills they have learned.

Denman Wine and Food Affair

A roster was sent home on Friday for the Denman Wine and Food Affair being held this weekend. Please return ASAP. If lots of people donate their time, then you will be required to man the stall for only a short period, however, if it is left to only a few, they will have to man the stall for quite some time without a break. As the saying goes – many hands make light work. All money raised from the day will directly benefit the students of our school.

Christina Darlington
Relieving Principal



ANZAC Day

It was wonderful to see so many students and parents from Sandy Hollow Public School community who were able to attend the ANZAC Day ceremony at Denman last Wednesday.

Apryl Cotter, Amelia Harris, Georgie Russell, Luke Sheen, Tylana Cox, Olivia McLean, Nickolas Roberts, Gracie Russell, Jackson Stair, Isabella Wallace, Gypsie Russell, William Stair, Hollie Gee, Andrew Harris, Cambell Hinze, Tarni Sheen and Darcy Wallace marched behind our school flag with pride as it was carried by Emmett Scott and Max Lundie. Also Yazmin Roberts from Merriwa Central marched with the students.

The ceremony was held in the park. The children sat quietly listening respectfully throughout the entire service. Amelia Harris contributed by reading a prayer and Emmett Scott and Max Lundie lay a wreath.

Each of the children are to be congratulated on their exceptional behaviour. Also a special thank you to all their parents who made it possible for our school to support this community event.

Pauline Bullock

Sock It To You - Orders in!

All orders for socks need to be back by this Friday, 4th May. All money must accompany orders, and cheques need to be made out to Sandy Hollow Public School.

Weekly Awards

- ♦ Apryl Cotter - Fantastic effort using action verbs in writing.
- ♦ Emmett Scott - Keen participation in science.
- ♦ Olivia McLean - Working well in all areas
- ♦ Isabella Wallace - Keen participation in science.
- ♦ Cambell Hinze - Wonderful participation during singing.
- ♦ Darcy Wallace - Wonderful listening during class and giving great answers.

Workers of the Week

- ♦ K/1/2 - Nicholas Terrell and Dustynn Turner
- ♦ 3/4/5/6 - Emily Pike, Simon Budden, Taylor Byfield and Amelia Harris

Student of the Week



Gypsie Russell - For being a reliable member of the school community.