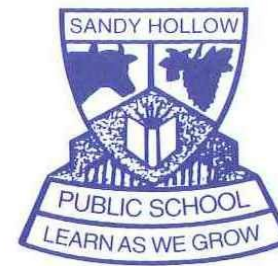


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18th September 2013

As the school term draws to an end, I would like to wish all students and staff a restful and safe holiday. Students and staff return to school on Tuesday 8th October.

Regional Premiers Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the three students who travelled to Singleton last Friday to represent the school at the Regional Premier's Spelling Bee. Abby Cooper came first in the Junior Division, which has qualified her for the State Spelling Bee to be held next term in Sydney. Well done Abby! Sebastian Owen and Codi Marsh competed in the senior division and made it to the second round. Well done to you both.

I would like to thank Mr Gelder who helped prepare these students for the Spelling Bee. He has voluntarily worked with these students during the term to give them plenty of practice with oral spelling.

Canberra Excursion

A reminder to students that a \$60 deposit for the 2014 Canberra excursion is now due. If any parents would like to join us on the excursion, they need to contact the school as soon as possible.

Delayed Release of NAPLAN results

"On Thursday 5 September ACARA identified an error in the placement of the national average markers on the Years 5 and 7 NAPLAN Student Reports for Language Conventions. Importantly the NAPLAN student data is correct.

ACARA made the immediate decision to halt any further packaging and distribution of NAPLAN reports while options regarding the distribution of correct NAPLAN Student Reports were considered.

(NAPLAN continued) ACARA is working closely with Test Administration Authorities (TAAs) in every state and territory to ensure correct reports are distributed. This matter may result in the delay of the distribution of student reports, possibly to the week of 13 October, however ACARA and TAAs will seek to minimise the delay."

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Enrolments are now open for
Kindergarten 2014.
Ring the school for details.**

**P&C Meeting 2pm Thurs 19th Sept
In the Music Room**

Last day Term 3	Fri 20th Sept
First day Term 4	Tues 8th Oct

Kinder Orientation begins Wed 9th Oct
Cancer Council F&V afternoon
Wed 9th Oct

All Welcome
Cassilis Sports Workshop Fri 11th Oct

School Photos **Tues 22nd Oct**

Canteen Monday 14th Sept
Katie McLean
Monday 21st Oct - Nicola Field
Next Toybox
Monday 21st October
(7th Oct is a Public Holiday)

Next term

We have a number of activities happening early next term:

9th October - Kinder Orientation and parent information session

15th October - Music performance

16th October - Solar Boat Challenge

25th October - Scone Beef Bonanza

Please note that Presentation Night this year will be held on a Tuesday night, due to a change in bookings for swim school. It will be held on Tuesday 3rd December.

Singleton Beef Competition

Today, Kristy Walker and Olivia McLean will be competing with Homma at the Singleton Beef Competition. They will be judged on their ability to lead and present the steer. They will also be involved in a Junior Beef Judging competition, where they will be expected to judge cattle and talk about why they ordered the cattle the way they did. We wish them all the very best. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Walker who have spent many hours preparing Homma for the competition.

Christina Darlington

Principal

Music in Term 4

We have a variety of activities organised throughout term 4.

Drumming

Many of you would remember some of our children being involved in the Upper Hunter Performing Arts drumming group who performed last year in Muswellbrook.

As this performance was very popular amongst our children we will be running three one day drumming workshops during this term, the first of which will be held on Thursday 10th October.

We are very grateful to Xstrata Mangoola Coal for sponsoring this project for us. We are lucky to have Isabella Berrigan running the workshops, the same instructor as last year.

Singing

Mrs Bridget Dearnley will be assisting us during term 4 to prepare for Christmas performances at the end of the year. Once again we greatly appreciate her continued support.

The Australian Voices

This group of performers are touring 250 cities around Australia this year and are performing an evening concert in Muswellbrook. While they are in the area they will visit us to present a concert for our student.

Everyone is welcome to come to Sandy Hollow Public School on Tuesday October 15th at 10am to join us for this concert.

Thank you to the P&C who have assisted us financially to hold this event.

Pauline Bullock

Co-ordinator.

Weekly Awards

- Abby Cooper - achievement at Regional Spelling Bee.
- Jake Pike - improvement in reading.
- Amy Thompson - application in all areas..
- Harmony Blackhurst - consistent effort in all areas.
- Steven Allen - a great effort in Science.
- Bill Chambers - a great effort in Science.

Workers of the Week

K/1/2 - Natasha Marsh, Andrew Harris and Lucas Stair.

3/4/5/6 - Simon Budden, Katie Pike, Shanay Turner and Hunter Marsh.

Student of the Week



Cambell Hinze - working well in K/1.

Kinder Orientation BBQ

Dear Parents,

On Wednesday 9th October we are conducting an information session for the parents of the 2014 Kindergarten children. The children will also be involved in school activities for the first time, while their parents attend this meeting. The morning will conclude with a BBQ lunch, which the P&C have very kindly offered to organise.

A sausage sandwich will also be available for your children. If they require more than this for lunch, I would suggest they bring an extra sandwich from home.

Many thanks,

Pauline Bullock

Kindergarten Orientation Co-ordinator.

Kinder Orientation Morning Tea

On Wednesday 9th October, morning tea is being offered to the parents of children that will be attending Kindy Orientation. If possible, could parents please send in, with your child, a plate of sandwiches/slice/biscuits/cake for morning tea.

Thank you.

Jeannie Harris



Congratulations Abby!

From the P&C

The P&C would like to thank Michelle Walker for her wonderful support at the school mini fete. Michelle ran the 100 Club making a valuable contribution to our fundraising.

P&C meeting tomorrow, Thursday 19th in the music room at 2pm.

Additions and Attachments

- Kinder Orientation information.
- Fresh for Kids word boxes game.
- Some receipts.
- Canteen roster for some.



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Come to our Fruit & Veg Sense Session

Date: Wednesday 9th October
Time: 1:45pm until 3:15pm
Venue: Sandy Hollow Public School



Did you know that eating adequate amounts of fruit and vegetables all their lives can help protect children against diseases, including some forms of cancer? This session run by Cancer Council NSW as part of the **Eat It To Beat It** program will show you how you can easily:

- Save time and money making healthy meals
- Learn clever ways to entice fussy eaters
- Improve the long-term health of your whole family

Don't miss out on this great opportunity – register now at the school, by phoning (02) 4923 0710 or visit www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit/register

