





Opportunity, Achievement, Community

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 20 February
Debating Workshop
Wednesday 4 March
Family Feast
P&C Movie Night
Tuesday 24 March
Stage 1 Excursion to Taronga Zoo

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Hello to all,

WELCOME BBQ

How lucky we were with the weather last Monday! We had several families join us for open classrooms and then had several stay for a sausage sandwich and an informal catch up with teachers. As usual, Pam and Barry (Aurora's grandparents) volunteered to help with cooking and serving the BBQ – we couldn't have done it without you.

SCHOOL BELL TIMES / SUPERVISION HOURS

Our school day commences at 8:55am and concludes at 2:45pm each day. As teacher supervision does not commence until 8:30am in the morning, NO STUDENTS should be arriving before this time as a matter of student safety and wellbeing. If you are a working parent and need to drop your child off before this time, please contact the Wyoming Community OSCH on 4323 7483 to arrange enrolment.

SCHOOL SAFETY SURVEY

I have been asked by David Mehan (State Member for The Entrance) to pass on the details of a survey his office is conducting regarding traffic conditions around our local schools. Please take a few minutes to fill in the survey which can be found using the link below:

www.nswschoolsafety.com/theentrance.

THERAPY AT SCHOOL

Every year, we have several enquiries from both parents and therapists regarding therapy at school. Access to the school by an externally funded service provider (speech therapist, occupational therapist, key worker etc) is determined on a case-by-case basis by the Principal. Individual circumstances of the student concerned and the wider needs of the school, including access to the curriculum, the impact on learning programs, the school's operational context and duty of care obligations, must be carefully considered.





Phone: 02 4325 2181 Fax: 02 4323 6932

Providers (therapists) do not have an automatic right of access to any school even if the provider is already delivering a service to another student at the same school, or the provider (therapist) has been granted access to another school.

Our preference is that therapy occur outside of school hours. I understand that this is not always feasible, especially when it appears that some providers have restricted out of school hours available.

If you would like your child to receive therapy at school during school hours, you need to make a written request to the school outlining the reasons why. I have included an information sheet regarding the approval process in this newsletter.

Have a great fortnight

Michelle Francis
PRINCIPAL (RELIEVING)

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

3-6 ASSEMBLY

This week's 3-6 Assembly will be held Wednesday 19 February from 2.00pm in the School Hall. Class 5-6S will perform an item.

MONEY COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Money is collected at the Front Office. Please follow the procedures below:

- Correct Money must be enclosed in an envelope or plastic bag with the following details marked:
 - Student Name and Class
 - Name of Excursion or Event
 - Amount Enclosed
 - Permission Note Signed and dated.
 Do not send in permission note without a payment.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Each student needs their own separate permission note for an excursion or event (please do not put other siblings names on same note if they attending the same excursion or event) as permission notes are then given to their class teacher after being receipted. Receipt is placed in envelope or plastic bag that money was sent in and then returned to student.
- ➢ Please ensure correct money is placed in the envelope, as change will not be available until receipted (receipting is not carried out every day). Change will not be available for recess or lunch orders. The front office does not have petty cash to give change.

Payments can also be made online via our website (POP) for major excursions and fees. Please remember to send permission note to office with POP receipt number.

ATTENDANCE

The Education Reform Act (1990) states that all children between the ages of 6 and 15 are required by law to attend school each day that instruction is provided.

It is the responsibility of parents or caregivers to ensure their children attend school every day. Parents/caregivers must provide satisfactory written explanation for absences within 7 days of occurrence.

Schools are required to monitor and to keep an accurate record of daily attendance for each student and to take appropriate action to assist students with unsatisfactory attendance.

At Wyoming Public School, regular attendance is considered to be an important component in the achievement of learning outcomes.

Daily hours of attendance: 8.55am - 2.45pm

Roll marking takes place at the start of the school day. Students not in attendance at this time will be recorded as absent. It is the parent/caregivers responsibility to provide written explanation for a whole day absence within 7 days of the absence. Notes should be handed in to classroom teacher with child's name, date of absence and reason for absence clearly written on note. A letter will be sent to parents or caregivers requesting a written explanation for an unexplained absence following this 7 day period. Please ask your child if they have handed in notes to avoid receiving a request of explanation.

All partial absences, late arrivals and early departures, require a note of explanation at the time of absence.

Lois Gillett LaST

STUDENT SCHOOL BANKING



Join the Dollarmites on a savings adventure with School Banking!

Every year the School Banking program launches a

new savings adventure and eight new exclusive School Banking reward items.

In 2020, School Banking is taking children on a Treetop Savers adventure to the enchanted Treehouse of Savings.

There are **8 new reward items for 2020** from the Treetop Savers range:

- Terry Denton's Activity Book
- o Mini Soccer Ball (size 2)
- Treetop Stationary Set
- Treetop Handball
- o Tomato Seed Kit
- o Magic Mist Drink Bottle
- o Emoji Wallet
- Snakes & Ladders Game

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

School Banking day is WEDNESDAY. Each week you need to hand your bank book directly to the office.

If you would like to know more about the School Banking program please visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking. Information packs will be sent home shortly

COMMUNITY NEWS

SCHOOL OPAL CARD

As part of our campaign against fare evasion and our on-going commitment to provide the level of service needed to transport students to and from you school, Busways conducts regular checks of School Opal card. All students must be in possession of a valid Opal card or pay a fare.

Students in possession of an Opal card must also tap on/off with their card when boarding our buses. This is important, because the Opal data collected determines the level of service we are able to provide to your school. If students don't tap on and off the services will appear underutilised and may be considered for cancellation based on low passenger numbers.

To apply for School Opal card or to report a lost or stolen card go on-line to www.opal.com.au/en/about-opal/opal-for-school-students/

Students who are ineligible for School Opal will need to purchase a Child/Youth Opal card or pay a fare to travel on our buses.



Supported Playgroups -a friendly and welcoming weekly activity for young children and their families

Join us to have fun with music and crafts, creative play and storytime.

Meet other families and share morning







Gain access to support and resources

for families with children under 6 years looking for more support

Run by Coastwide Child and Family Services Contact Amanda 4340 1111 admin@ccfdc.com.au

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