

CAWDOR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 8, Term 2, 2011

14 June, 2011

Special reminders:

- * The Fathers' Night will be held at Camden Valley Inn this Wednesday from 7.00 pm. We hope you will be able to join Matt Owens for an enjoyable night and help with the organisation of the Billy Cart Derby.
- * Parents are reminded that there will be **no canteen** this week.



Vegetables for sale! Jack Seeney selling some lettuces at the 5/6 market stall

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Dear Parents and Friends of Cawdor PS

In Week 7 the interviews were held for our new School Administrative Manager. I am very happy to announce that Mrs Karyn Hillier has been successful in gaining the position and, pending appeals, will take up the permanent position shortly. Mrs Hillier has been relieving in the office this term and has already become a wonderful addition to the school. I'm sure that you will all join me in welcoming her to the Cawdor community. Special thanks go to Mrs Smilanic who has been doing an excellent job as our part time relieving SAM for the past couple of years. Mrs Smilanic will still be working at Cawdor, assisting the students in the classes three days each week. She is a very well respected and supportive member of our staff and we are both relieved and delighted to have her stay with us.

Last Monday we had a very long but productive P&C meeting and were able to finalise many plans for the Billy Cart Derby. A big thank you goes to Matt Owens and other parents who are working so hard to ensure the day is a great success. There is certainly lots of interest in the event and many people are busy building their billy carts. The day is shaping up to be fun for the whole family. Included in the newsletter today is a note requesting volunteers. If you are able to help out in any way please return the note to school before the end of term. As well as volunteers we are also looking for free entertainers (singers, dancers, musicians etc) so please contact the school if you have any suggestions in this area. I hope that the fathers enjoy their night at Camden Valley Inn this Wednesday. Go the Blues!

Last week our new website went live and we will now be able to keep the site up-to-date with recent events and news. The staff will continue to build the site over the next few months, adding updated information from our old site and promoting our school in a vibrant, child-centred manner. The 2010 Annual School Report has been added to the website but parents are also able to request a hard copy of the report by speaking to myself or Mrs Hillier in the office.

Kind Regards

Ms Sharon Ihlein

Principal

Calling all dads and grandads!

You are invited to a complimentary

BEER AND PRAWN NIGHT

at Camden Valley Inn on
Wednesday 15 June at 7.00 pm
to find out how you can help with the
BILLY CART DERBY

Come along, meet other dads and have fun watching the second State of Origin match.

Get your entry forms for the Billy
Cart Derby in soon!



SPORTS NEWS

Gala Day postponed

Due to wet weather the gala day scheduled for June 3 was postoned. The new date is yet to be announced but will most likely be at the start of Term 3.

Orienteering

25 of our Years 4,5 and 6 students have expressed an interest in taking part in the Orienteering Gala Day on 22 June. Mrs Davis will be coming to Cawdor tomorrow to run a training session for the students. The session will involve learning about orienteering equipment and strategies and the students will complete a mini orienteering course in our school grounds.

Footsteps

The Footsteps dance company will be returning to Cawdor in Term 3. A note about the program will be included in the next newsletter.

DONATION THANK YOU

A big thank you goes to the Mansell family who have donated \$300 for the purchase of new home readers for the K/1 class.

Mr Lee and Mrs Garbutt are currently reviewing a range of readers and are excited at the prospect of updating the K/1 resources.

The school greatly appreciates the kind and generous donation which will greatly benefit our younger children.

PINK DAY

The SRC will be holding a PINK DAY on **Tuesday 28 June** to raise money for the McGrath Foundation.

All students are invited to wear pink mufti and/or come to school with crazy hair.

Everyone taking part is asked to bring a gold coin donation.

Small prizes will be given for the best outfits or craziest hair.

During the day each class will take part in "pink" literature and art activities.

We hope that everyone will participate and help to raise money for a worthwhile cause.



2011 Ambassador

Congratulations to Kathleen Cox who has been selected as Cawdor's 2011 Ambassador. Kathleen was selected because of her outstanding citizenship and leadership potential. She is an excellent role model for the other students and leaps at opportunities to represent the school. Her first commitment as Ambassador will be involvement in a leadership day at Belgenny next Friday. We wish her all the best in her new role and are sure she will represent Cawdor proudly.



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- Keep encouraging your children to complete the **Premier's Reading Challenge**. The school holidays will be an excellent time to catch up on some reading.
- Parents are asked to check that all clothing is labelled so lost items can be returned to the owner.
 On Wednesday afternoon this week (weather permitting), all of the lost uniforms will be placed on the fence near the carpark gate for everyone to check. Unclaimed items will be washed and put into the second hand uniform store.
- The P&C will be running the barbecue at Narellan Bunnings on June 19. Volunteers are still needed to help with the barbecue so please return your note or speak to Mrs Sitkowski if you are able to assist.
- The interactive whiteboard and video conferencing equipment will be installed in the 5/6 classroom this Thursday and Friday. This will mean that the 5/6 students will not be able to access the classroom for two days but after a long wait, it will be very exciting to have the installation completed.
- Special thanks to Aryan Williams who undertook work experience in 2/3/4. She was a wonderful
 assistant in the class and the students greatly enjoyed having her as an extra helper. Thank you
 also to Mr Willcocks for supervising Aryan during the week.
- Reconciliation Week will be celebrated at Cawdor this week with a highlight being the Aboriginal Performer, "Gindaja" on Wednesday 15 June. 2012 Kindergarten students are invited to come along for this performance. Please speak to Ms Ihlein if you need assistance to pay for the performance.
- Some samples of **new uniform items** will be in the office over the next two weeks for parents to look at. Items include girls' pants (2 styles), beanies, scarves and sports shorts. Parents are welcome to have a look at the clothing and give opinions as to whether or not each item should be included in our uniform shop. Special thanks to Mrs Seeney for ordering the samples.
- Wollondilly Library will be holding some **holiday activities** (claymation and craft) for children. For more information phone the library (46778300) or see the flyer on the school notice board.

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR 2012

CAWDOR PS STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

Child centred, caring

And safe environment

Where staff and parents are



Dedicated to the provision of equal and unique Opportunities for the individual child in our joint Role as educators.

Student Welfare

Cawdor students are being encouraged to use these strategies for dealing with conflict and to teach resilience:

Stay calm

Try to ignore

Ask to stop

Never fight

Duty teacher

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ATTACHMENTS: Billy Cart Derby volunteers note Classroom Buzz



Congratulations to these students who received special awards:

Principal's Award

(for 10 merit certificates)

John Allen (Yr 6)

Special Principal's Award

(for 40 merit certificates)

James Cox (Yr 3)

Jake Fennemore (Yr 4)

Writer's Award

Alex Spring (Yr 4)

Bowen Roper (Yr 1)

Grace Lord (Yr 6)



The May **Aussie of the Month** was Tamika Mansell who was selected for her outstanding school spirit and participation in class and school activities.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Week 8

Monday 13 June Queen's Birthday holiday
Wednesday 15 June 2.00 pm Aboriginal Performer

7.00 pm Dad's Night at the Camden Valley Inn

Thursday 16 June Interactive Whiteboard installation

Sunday 19 June Bunnings Barbecue

Week 9

Tuesday 21 June ICAS Spelling Test
Wednesday 22 June Orienteering Gala Day
Thursday 23 June 2.30 pm Assembly (Year 2)

Reports sent home

Friday 24 June PSSA Gala Day—soccer and netball

Week 10

Tuesday 28 June PINK DAY

Wednesday 29 June Parent/Teacher Interviews

Friday 1 July Last day of Term2

