



CAWDOR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 6, Term 2, 2011

30 May, 2011

Special

reminders:

Musica Viva will be performing at the school tomorrow. All notes and money need to be at school in the morning.

The next **P&C meeting** will be held on Monday 6 June at 7.00 pm in the staffroom.



Mr Le Good helped the ex year 6 students plant the native bushes

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Dear Parents and Friends of Cawdor PS

We have recently had many wonderful achievements by Cawdor students. Many fabulous programs are being undertaken in classes and there have been several occasions when students have proudly represented the school.

Last week we saw students excelling in the classroom and on the sporting field. Outstanding results were achieved in the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition, State Soccer and at the Zone Cross Country. It was very exciting to watch two of our students finish in 2nd and 3rd place in the first cross country race of the day and then to see one of our seniors come 2nd at the end of the day. More information about each of these events is on page 2 of the newsletter.

In the classes it is very pleasing to see the students working hard and enjoying their class activities. This week we have included an update on all the class activities in "Classroom Buzz," an information page in the newsletter. This page will be a regular feature of the newsletter and will keep parents more informed of all the wonderful programs that the students are engaged in.

It was lovely to have some of our former Year 6 students return last Wednesday to plant native shrubs in the garden they designed last year. Many thanks to Mrs Le Good for purchasing the plants and to Mr Le Good for also staying at school on the day to help with the planting. Mr and Mrs Le Good show considerable dedication to the gardens and environmental programs at Cawdor and their tireless work is greatly appreciated.

Finally, this week brings the start of winter so the teachers will be celebrating the start of the new season with their classes through a winter literacy program on Wednesday the 1st day of June. In the classes the children will read and write winter stories and poems and complete winter crafts. As a whole school celebration, hot chocolate will be supplied to the children at lunchtime. Please advise your child's class teacher if your child is allergic to hot chocolate.

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!



IMPACT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On Monday 16 May the four school leaders, Jack Rofe, Jay Jay Nash, Lily Borkman and Kathleen Cox, attended an IMPACT student leadership conference at Wollongong University.

The students were excellent representatives of Cawdor school and participated eagerly in the conference activities. They learned a lot about being good leaders, including the high-5 principles of leadership and are looking forward to putting what they learned into action at school.

Each of the students received a special certificate at last week's assembly for their participation in the conference.



Multicultural Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations to **Tamika Mansell, Joanne Nash** and **Tamara Smith** who took part in the public speaking competition last week. Each of the girls gave very impressive prepared speeches and will all represent Cawdor at the regional competition at the end of June.

All the students in Years 2-6 are currently taking part in a public speaking program in their classes.

SPORTS NEWS



Cross Country Stars

Our cross country team performed very well on Friday at the Razorback Zone carnival. All the students participated with excellent sportsmanship and team spirit and many did their personal best. Outstanding achievements were made by three students who will now compete at the South Western Sydney carnival. Congratulations to Joanne Nash (2nd in the 8/9 year girls); Tamika Mansell (3rd in the 8/9 year girls); Jack Rofe (2nd in the 12 year boys) and Jack Borkman (9th in the 10 year boys-reserve).

State Soccer

Congratulation also to Cooper Hanagan who competed in the state soccer championships last week in Coffs Harbour. Cooper's team (South Western Sydney) came 6th overall. An excellent result. Cooper returned on Thursday night so he could compete in the cross country where he put in a creditable performance. We are impressed by Cooper's dedication to his sport.

Notice Board

- Keep encouraging your children to complete the **Premier's Reading Challenge**. The challenge will conclude at the end of August.
- As the weather has now become cooler the children are wearing **jumpers and jackets** to school but unfortunately many of these are being left in the classrooms and school grounds. Parents are urged to label all clothing so that it can be returned to the children. If unclaimed, the clothing is being placed into the container in the canteen foyer. Sometimes children are also taking home other children's clothing so please check the labels. The teachers are of course encouraging the children to put all their clothing back into their bags.
- **Band** instruction will be taken by a relieving teacher this week and possibly next week due to illness in Mrs McBride's family.
- The **school photos** went well. Many thanks to all of the parents who returned their order forms promptly. The students looked wonderful in their school uniforms and we are looking forward to seeing the photos later this term.
- This week we welcome Miss Aryan Williams, a former Cawdor student, who will be on **work experience** in the 2/3/4 classroom.

National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week is held every year between 27 May and 3 June and is framed by two significant dates in Australia's history which best symbolise the hopes and aims for reconciliation. May 27 marks the anniversary of the 1967 referendum in which over 90 per cent of Australians voted to give the Commonwealth the power to make laws for Aboriginal people. June 3 marks the anniversary of the High Court's judgement in the Mabo case in 1992.

Reconciliation Week will be celebrated at Cawdor in Week 8, with a highlight being the Aboriginal Performer on Wednesday 15 June. 2012 Kindergarten students are invited to come along for this performance.

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.



Core Values of NSW Public Schools

RESPONSIBILITY: Being accountable for your individual and community's actions towards yourself, others and the environment.

At Cawdor we are currently focussing on acting responsibly at school and taking care of our belongings.

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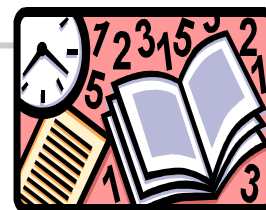
ATTACHMENTS: Aboriginal performer note
Classroom Buzz



Welcome Back

Six of the 2010 Year 6 students returned last Wednesday afternoon to plant native shrubs in the front garden. At the end of last year they planned the native garden and raised money to purchase the plants and other materials for the garden. It was lovely to have them back at Cawdor and to hear all their exciting tales of high school.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Week 6

Tuesday 31 May	Musica Viva
Friday 3 June	2nd Gala Day

Week 7

Monday 6 June	7.00 pm P&C meeting (including Billy Cart Derby meeting)
Wednesday 8 June	ICAS Science test Claymation Workshop Years 5/6 7.00 pm School Council
Thursday 9 June	9.00 am Assembly: SRC

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

