



CAWDOR PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 6, Term 3, 2012

22 August, 2012

Special request

We are needing six hay bales for the school concert. Please contact the school if you are able to assist!



Soccer fun at lunchtime

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Dear Parents and Friends of Cawdor PS

The classes have been very busy over the past two weeks completing their Olympic programs, taking part in Athletics events and rehearsing for the school concert. Our 'Spell It Out' program is also off to a good start with pleasing progress already being made by the children. This week the Years 3-6 students will take part in the Premier's Spelling Bee and a pleasing number of children have also completed the Premier's Reading Challenge.

In the school grounds Mr Le Good has been making progress with the sensory garden and with Spring approaching we will start to plant some shrubs and flowers in the new garden. The fountain that was funded by the Year 6 last year will also soon be purchased and installed as a special feature in the sensory garden.

Many thanks to the parents who have offered to assist with the concert. You will be contacted shortly to discuss how we would like you to help. Notes advising parents of costume requirements are also being sent home in the next few days.

With many activities planned over the coming weeks, parents are asked to keep the newsletter and term calendar in a prominent place and to check that your child has returned all permission notes. The school newsletter is also posted each fortnight on the school website.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Book Week celebrations.

Kind Regards
Sharon Ihlein
Principal

Book Week Champions Read



Monday 3 September

- 9.00 Book Week parade (children come dressed as a favourite book character)
- 9.30—11.30 Book Fair in the library
- 1.50 Wake Up and Read Performance in the church for children

Throughout the day teachers will be doing some activities with their classes based on some of the short listed books.

Parents are invited to join us for the Book character parade and Book Fair. Tea and coffee will be available in the staffroom throughout the morning.

Children who are enrolling in Kindergarten next year are also invited to attend.

More detailed information, including opening times for the Book Fair and a permission note for the 'Wake Up and Read' performance, are included as attachments in today's newsletter.

Sports News

- The Years 3- 6 students will be taking part in the **Razorback Gala Days** this term. The first Gala Day will be this Friday. This year all the children will be competing in Oz Tag and have begun training during the Friday sports lesson. Permission notes should be returned as soon as possible.
- 18 students represented Cawdor at the **Razorback Zone athletics carnival** last Tuesday and Wednesday. The team showed excellent sportsmanship and participated well. Our top achievers were Tamika Mansell, Joanne Nash, Lincoln Crimmins and Celtie Williams. Many thanks to the parents who assisted with transport to the event.
- The swimming scheme will take place next week.



PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge concludes at the end of next week. Students need to hand their record sheets into Mrs Hillier in the office so that the books can be entered online. Please encourage your child to complete the challenge and speak to Mrs Le Good or Mrs Hillier if you need any last minute advice about the challenge.



★ ICAS Tests

★ Congratulations to the following students who received certificates for the University of NSW tests:

★ Writing

★ Credit: Tamika Mansell

★ Participation: Sasha Sitkowski, Alex Sitkowski

★ Spelling Participation: Grant Taylor, Sasha

★ Sitkowski, Alex Sitkowski and Tamika Mansell



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- The **Woolworths Earn and Learn** and **Coles Sports for Schools** have now finished. Our tally for Woolworths is 22,800 and counting, and Coles is 16040. Thank you to everyone—that is a fantastic effort and we will be able to order some amazing resources with our points. If you still have any dockets/stickers at home please send them immediately as final tallies have to be in this week.
- **Interrelate** family Centre will be running a **Sexuality Education** program for the students in 5/6 on Tuesday 28 August and Wednesday 5 September. This is an excellent program for students and will be an important part of the Stage 3 PDHPE program. All students are encouraged to attend. Permission notes and payment should be returned as soon as possible.
- The **Footsteps Disco** will be held on Friday 7 September under the school COLA. A note about the disco is included as an attachment in the newsletter.
- The school **Spelling Bee** will be held this Thursday 23 August, for the students in Years 3 to 6. Four students will be selected from the school competition to represent the school at the region Spelling Bee which will be held on Friday 14 September.
- School uniform **scarves and beanies** are available from the Uniform Shop at a low cost of \$5 each.
- The **Swimming Scheme** will take place each day next week. Permission notes and payment for the pool entry fee are now due. Many thanks to the parents who have offered to transport the children to and from the pool. Please speak to Mr Lee if you have any queries about the program.

Perfect punctuation

Want to help your child with their punctuation? Help them remember when to use a semicolon and when to use an apostrophe with a downloadable help sheet from the School A to Z website. The site also has a range of help sheets on English terms and usage. Go to: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/help-sheets>

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:

INTEGRITY

EXCELLENCE

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

COOPERATION

PARTICIPATION

CARE

FAIRNESS

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ATTACHMENTS: Book Week; Wake Up and Read performance; Footsteps Disco



Some of the Cawdor team at the Zone Athletics Carnival

Welcome Back

Welcome to the family of Kayden Smith who returned to the school this week, joining the Year 2 class.

Concert Date

The school concert will be held on the evening of Wednesday 19 September.

Please keep the date free!

DATES TO REMEMBER



Week 6

Thurs 23 August School Spelling Bee
Friday 24 August Sports Gala Day (Yrs 3-6)

Week 7

Swimming Scheme each day Week 7

Tues 28 Aug Interrelate 5/6
Wed 29 Aug 9.00 am Assembly (Library Monitors)
7.00pm School Council meeting

Week 8

Monday 3 Sep 9.00 am Book Parade
1.50 Wake Up and Read performance
Friday 7 Sep Footsteps Disco

What's Due

- Deposit Year 5/6 Broken Bay excursion due 28 June (now overdue)
- Interrelate 'Moving into the Teen years' 5/6 class only
- School Swimming Scheme note
- Gala Day permission note and money
- Please note: Payments toward the balance of the Broken Bay excursion for years 5/6 can be sent in to school in weekly or monthly instalments to help with families' budgets

Enrolments are now being accepted for 2013.