Greetings all and welcome to Term 2 Week 8. Another week has flown by and we are rapidly drawing to the end of Semester 1.

Blackbutt Excursion
Stage 2 really enjoyed their excursion to the Blackbutt Reserve on Monday. This excursion took place in beautiful weather and all children were glowing in their reactions. A huge thank you to Mr Wlodarczczk for his organisation of the event. Things do get complicated when rain causes delays but everyone coped very well. I am delighted to report that the behaviour and attitude shown by all students was fantastic. Well done all.

Star Struck
Another wonderful example of amazing attitude and effort was on display with our Star Struck performers last week. A huge congratulations and well done to Mrs Richards and her amazing team who taught and supported our performers through costumes, training, transport supervision and performance. The girls were a delight and showed our wonderful school off by their behaviour and attitude. I am always proud but never surprised by reports of our children and their efforts. Congratulations to all.

Curtis Landers Appeal
Today we supported the Curtis Landers appeal Curtis was injured in a rugby league game and we all wore our footy jumpers today to support him and his fight for recovery. We all hope he makes a speedy and full recovery.

Merit Selection Of Teacher
The replacement for Mrs Corrigan’s old teaching position will be determined in the coming weeks. No Mrs Corrigan is not leaving us, she has been promoted to Assistant Principal meaning her teaching position has now become vacant. We will be going through the merit selection process meaning people from all over NSW will be able to apply and after a process we will be able to choose the successful applicant.

Rock And Water Course For Year 6 Boys
The school has been lucky to engage a trained presenter to offer the Year 6 boys an internationally recognised course called Rock & Water – Term 3. There will be no cost and the course will be held each Friday from 12.30pm to 1.30pm for the 10 weeks of the term. This course gives the boys skills in decision making, personal strength, independence, resilience and pride in themselves. I plan to offer this wonderful course each year to our Year 6 boys to prepare them for high school. The course is expensive but I believe it is money well spent and will equip the boys better for high school. I have great plans for our Year 6 girls and I will announce something exciting for them in the near future.

Billy Cart Derby
We have a grand plan to end the year with a Billy Cart Derby. In 2015 we hope to include outside agencies like Bunnings and the Mens Shed to work with our children to make billy carts but for this year we are hoping children and parents can work together to make a billy cart for the end of the year. We plan to have a course mapped out around the concrete area and have time trials for billy carts. All drivers would have to wear protective equipment and helmets and they would be pushed by a friend, sibling or perhaps even a parent. To get a time the roles would be reversed and the pusher would become the driver for a second timed run. An average of the two times would then be taken. We need expressions of interest from families who would consider making a billy cart and participating in the day. Families would have until December to make the billy carts. If you would be keen to participate and make a cart then please fill out the expression of interest attached and return it to Mr Pratt or Mr Stiller before the end of the term.

I hope everyone has a wonderful week.

Mark Stiller
Principal
DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

June
27\textsuperscript{th}  Last day of Term 2

July
15\textsuperscript{th}  Students return Term 3
17\textsuperscript{th}  Athletics Carnival

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CANTEEN NEWS
THOMPSON PIE DRIVE – Orders will be available for pick up next Monday between 11.30am and 1.30pm. If you cannot pick your order up personally please organize somebody to collect them between these times for you. Thank you to everyone who supported us in this fundraiser.

NOTES SENT HOME DURING THE WEEK
Community Partnership page
Curtis Landers Appeal Fundraiser

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
The final day to return the Athletics Carnival note has been extended to this Friday 20 June, allowing more notes to be handed in.
The carnival will be held on Thursday 17\textsuperscript{th} July at the Gatorade Athletics Field at Mingara Centre, Tumbi Umbi. Come along and support your house. IT WILL BE A GREAT DAY!!

LIBRARY NEWS
As we wind down to the end of Term 2, please take the time to check at home for any library books that have not been returned. It is important that overdue books are returned or the replacement cost will need to be paid. Other students deserve the opportunity to borrow these resources too.
The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) will finish at the end of August. If you need assistance to enter your reading log online please let me know. I have been giving the primary students some opportunities to complete it during library time.
Happy Reading

PEER SUPPORT
During Peer Support this week the children will be looking at how to play in a friendly way in order to maintain friends and build positive relationships. Through various activities children will discover the importance of taking turns and having consistent rules throughout a game. This week help your child practise these skills by encouraging them to play games with siblings, family or friends.

DATA LETTER
Some parents have been sent a letter regarding a data collection. The parents who received this letter were approached by their child’s teacher regarding a minor adjustment that may have included moving seats to aide hearing or vision.

There was a small return slip if you didn’t want information included in the data collection. No personal information is included in the data collection.

BLACKBUTT EXCURSION
On Monday Stage 2 went on an excursion to BlackButt Reserve as part of our science unit ‘Mini Worlds’. We were lucky enough to be involved in a Micro Environment Investigation, a Micro Animal Presentation and a cute and cuddly Koala Encounter. We had a fantastic day and everyone should be congratulated on their outstanding behaviour.
**SCHOOL BANKING**
Banking day is Thursday.

**P & C NEWS**

**DATES FOR THE TERM**
Friday 20th June – Trivia Night 7pm

**Trivia Raffle**
In conjunction with the Trivia night we are holding a raffle. Tickets are being sold this week in the COLA before and after school and will be drawn at the trivia night. Tickets = $2 each.

**Prizes:**
- $100 voucher to Infuzion Restaurant, The Sebel
- Family pass to Tree Tops Adventure Park ($105)
- Family pass to the Little Mermaid theatre production ($104)

**Trivia Night**
It’s not too late to get your tickets. Don’t have a group for a table, come along on the night and join a smaller table.

**There are amazing prizes on offer.** Just a teaser:
- Morisset Golf Club, 18 holes and cart for 2 people ($100)
- 6 x Hunter Valley Ice Skating family passes ($60 ea)
- 5 x $20 Bakehouse vouchers
- $10 per person for a couple of hours of fun and laughter.

Buy your tickets early from the office or on the night at the door.

**Hunter Valley Martial Arts Center**
July is almost here! Discuss this option with your children over the holidays.

From HVMAC: We are working together with the P & C to raise funds for your School!

If your child would like to come to our Centre for one month of classes in any of our programs, we are offering a special rate of just $99 for the entire month of July. For this you will get two classes per week and we will provide a free uniform. We then donate the full $99 to your school!

**P & C – Parents and Citizens Supporting Our School**

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Positive Partnerships**
FREE 2 day workshop & info sessions for Parents & Carers of school age students on the Autism Spectrum
WHERE: Blue Water Function Centre, Swansea RSL Club
WHEN: Tuesday 29th July 9am-4.30pm (Registration from 8.15am)
Wednesday 30th July 9am-3.30pm
REGISTRATIONS OPEN: Tuesday 17th June
website www.positivepartnerships.com.au
Positive Partnerships Info Line number: 1300 881 971

**Vacation Care**
Information and booking forms for Southlakes OOSH and Tin Lids OOSCH are available from the school office.

**Occupational Therapy Information Session**
WHEN: Monday July 14 (first day of Term 3)
TIME: 10.30am-3pm
WHERE: Bonnells Bay PS in Ms Corrigan’s classroom
Lunch, afternoon tea and drinks provided. Please advise any dietary requirements.
RSVP by Friday 27 June to Ms Corrigan on 4973 1149 or jodie.corrigan@det.nsw.edu.au
Session presented by Happy Dots Occupational therapy & explains the areas that students were assessed in and provide helpful, practical ways to support their development.

**Expression of Interest – Billy Cart Derby**

Our family _______________________________
would like to participate in the Billy Cart Derby and would like to make a billy cart for December.
Signed

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