Dear families,
Welcome to Week 4 of Term 4.
I had the pleasure last Wednesday of talking to the families of 2016 Kindergarten students at Kinder orientation. We welcome some new families to our school and we look forward to getting to know both families and students as we share the learning journey of our new Kinders.

Tomorrow Musica Viva will be performing at our school. The school values this presentation so much that we have paid for every student to attend. Teachers have attended Professional learning and have been delivering lessons in preparation of the presentation, to help ensure our students get the most out of the experience.

Don’t forget the Halloween disco this Thursday.

This week we are celebrating World Teachers’ Day at school.
I am justifiably very proud of the teaching staff here. World Teachers’ Day acknowledges the efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex, multicultural and technological society. Teaching is hard work and to do well demands dedication and hard work. The characteristics I admire about my staff include their ability to:
- Respect students
- Create a sense of community
- Be warm, accessible, enthusiastic and caring
- Set high expectations for students
- Have their own love of learning
- Be good at communicating
All our teachers’ work is centred on making a difference to children’s lives.

The students will be participating in certain activities in regard to World Teachers’ Day. I will publish some of their efforts next week.

Last Friday we held an Out of Uniform day to fundraise when Tour De Cure visit Monday 2 November. Thanks to our school community – students and teachers together raised over $400. A fantastic effort!

Have a good week & as always please contact either the school staff or myself if you have any concerns.

Kind regards,
Jenny Rozynski
Principal

PBL Corner – Week 4

This week in our PBL lesson, students discussed ways in which they can GO FOR LEARNING in the offices. This is the last of three lessons discussing school expectations in the offices. PBL Awards for this week were given to students who demonstrate the expectation to go for SAFETY in the offices.

League Tag Gala Day

Last Tuesday, 13 students accompanied Mr Clarke to Carmichael Park, Bellbird to participate in the NRL League Tag Gala Day. League Tag, formerly known as OzTag, is a non-contact version of rugby league played by both males and females. Cessnock PS had a very successful day, with victories over Pelaw Main PS, Ellalong PS, Kearsley PS and Weston PS in our four games, and finished the day having scored 27 tries and conceded just 7. The sportsmanship and behaviour of the Cessnock PS team was exemplary, and they represented the school proudly. Students involved were Scott Delaney, Lennox Vasilis, Tom Kierce, Connor Campbell, Jordan Butters, Ryan Lambkin, Samuel Dearin, Shenae Hepplewhite, Alexia Kronholm, Kiana Kronholm, Hollie O’Neill, Jade Pringle and Amber Lamph.

Hats & Water Bottles

It is now hot weather and water bottles are being used more frequently. Please ensure that they are cleaned out with hot water and refilled with cold water each day. Water bottles which are not cleaned effectively and frequently can develop very nasty stomach bugs and make students ill. The broad brimmed hats required at school must be worn when students are in the playground or they play under the cola area.
Year 2 Swimming School
Weeks 4 & 5 are the swimming school for all Year 2 students. This is held at Cessnock Public Baths between 1:45pm and 3:15pm, Monday to Friday.

GATS Art
Hi everyone. This term in Art we are going to explore sculpture. We need buttons, beads and pipe cleaners. If anyone has some at home they no longer need please send them in for us and we will create sculpture masterpieces!
Thank you, Donna Ling

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016
Kindergarten enrolments for next year are open and are filling fast. If you or someone you know plans to enroll a child at Cessnock Perfect for 2016, please come in and see our wonderful office staff as soon as possible to obtain the necessary paperwork.

Administering Medication at School
School staff can only administer medication at school which is prescribed by a doctor. The medication bought in must have a pharmacy label attached which identifies the student, the dosage and time of day to be administered.
Parents/carers will need to bring the medication to the office and complete the forms required for administering of medication.

Breakfast Club
From 8.15 am to 9.15 am located in the building opposite Cooinda, students can have a healthy breakfast for a coin donation. Cereals, scrambled eggs, yoghurt and toast are served by volunteers each weekday. Students also experience social interaction with their peers, use of table manners and develop domestic independence. If you are interested in volunteering in Breakfast club please see the front desk for more information.

Bandanna Day
It’s on again this year – Bandanna Day - Friday 30th October. Mrs T will be selling great bandannas and pens outside our library each morning from Tuesday 27th October through to Friday, 30th October. Bandannas are selling for $4.00 each and pens at $3.00. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Term Reminders - Term 4
Week 4
Tuesday 27th – Music a Viva Performance
Wednesday 28th – Kinder Orientation – 9:45-11:00am
Thursday 29th – Halloween Disco Friday 30th – NRL Infants Clinic
Friday 30th – Years 5 & 6 Careers through Reading with Newcastle University.

Week 5
Wednesday 4th – Kinder Orientation and Expo – 9:45-11:00am
Friday 6th – Years 5 & 6 Careers through Reading with Newcastle University.

Week 6
Monday 9th – Principal’s assemblies
Tuesday 10th – Kinder 2016 “Packed Lunch Visit”
Wednesday 11th – GATS Art excursion to “Sculpture in the Vines”

Week 8
Monday 23rd - Presentation Day Thursday 26th – Year 6 Farewell
Friday 27th – Last Day for Year 6 Week 9
Tuesday 1st – Books in Homes Assembly for K-3

Week 10
Tuesday 8th – Carols

Week 11
Tuesday 15th – Party Day Wednesday 16th – Red Faces

Community News Flyers are available for viewing on the school website.

Thought For The Week: You never know when some small thing will lead to a big idea. Travel is very inspirational – but it’s in the ordinary that I find my themes of love, work and family. Adriana Trigiani

Your Cessnock Public School P&C has partnered with Cessnock Dominos!
You now have the opportunity to help raise dollars in the best and easiest way possible.
WEDNESDAY THE 4TH NOVEMBER is the Cessnock Public P&C Dough Raiser. Have a midweek special and get a Dominos Pizza or two...or three. For every Pizza sold Dominos will give CPS P&C $1.00. Anyone from across town, grand parents, family and mates can support your school P&C. All funds raised for your P&C assist students through out the year.
This was a great parent suggestion, the dough raiser event will continue into next year once each term. Please make the most of this first opportunity and lets start it off with everyone’s participation.
See the Cessnock Public P&C face book for all your P&C events and information.