Principal's Message

Dear families,

Welcome to the new school year. A special welcome to our new families joining the community of Cessnock Perfect School. A big welcome to the 42 kindergarten students who began their school career here with us yesterday. Classes have been formed as follows and while official numbers aren’t yet in I don’t expect major changes. Classes are as follows:

KW - Courtney Walker (while Ashley Welsh is on Maternity leave)
KS - Louise Stewart
1I - Emma Ingram
1H - Trista Hurst
2B - Robyn Buttsworth
3/4B - Jasmine Jackson
3/4M - Joshua McDonald
3/4J - Michelle Jackson
5/6B - Glenn Burrell
5/6R - Theresa McDonald
5/6D - Shaun Douglas
K-6 T - Tom Kirton
3/6C - Matthew Clarke
3/6T - Carol Trevanion

As you can see we welcome some new teachers to our school this year. I have a lot of information to share with our families this week. Too much for the Perfect Page.

Please see if you could manage to come and visit here at school on Friday (6 February) at 10.45 in Cooinda (our school hall for our new families). On this day we will be sharing information about our welfare policy, uniforms and lots more. There will be a free sausage sizzle for both parents and students. Really hope to see you there.

Yesterday a very successful swimming carnival was held. Thank you Mr Cooke for your organisation. It was disappointing though to see a number of primary students absent on the day. We cater for swimmers and non-swimmers so it is a shame some children missed out on such a great school day.

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

Kind regards,
Jenny Rozynski
Principal

Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all the students who attended yesterday and had a wonderful day participating in the races and novelty events. The Senior and Junior Swimming Champions will be announced soon and receive a certificate at our Primary Assembly on Monday. They will receive a trophy at our Presentation Day in Term 4.

School Resource & Contribution Fees

Our school keeps this cost as low as possible and so this year they are set at $40.00 for all students. This amount covers school resources to continue valuable programs and innovations, especially around technology. Please pay at the office as soon as possible, by cash or cheque.
Staff Professional Development
As part of our ongoing commitment to professional learning, on the school Staff Development Day last Tuesday all staff were trained in CPR, Emergency Care and Child Protection. We have three staff in the primary who will be receiving training in Focus on Reading over the next few weeks so that we maintain having all primary staff accredited with this valuable program.

School Photos
The 19th February will be our photo day this year. We ask that all students come along in full school uniform on the day. Even if you do not intend to purchase photos please still ensure that your child attends.

Note package
In the next week your child will bring home a package of school notes that are very important. Please take the time to read, complete and return the relevant notes to your child.

Medical Information
On the enrolment forms that parents/carers complete for the Department of Education there is a section in which you are asked about medical conditions your child has. If your child has asthma and/or allergies then we are required to have an Asthma Action Plan or Allergy Action Plan completed by the student’s doctor. We are no longer allowed to act only on information provided by the parents/carers. Plans must be updated every year by the doctor and the school. If you have indicated your child has a medical condition you will be receiving a phone call and asked to provide documentation from the doctor. We have both types of the Action Plans the Department of Education requires at the office, please call in and collect one for the doctor to complete.

Term Reminders

Week 2
Wednesday 4th Feb – Year 6 Peer Support Training
Friday 6th Feb – 10:45am in Cooinda – Parents invited to come and learn about our welfare policy, uniforms etc

Week 3
Week 4
Monday 16th Feb – Combined Assembly for the Leadership Team presentation of badges
Thursday 19th Feb – School Photos being taken

Week 5
Friday 27th Feb – Cross Country

Week 6
Monday 2nd March – Combined Principal’s Awards Assembly

Week 7
Week 8
Friday 20th March – Athletics Carnival

Week 9
Monday 23rd March – Bell Shakespeare Theatre Company presentation for Years 2 to 6

Week 10
Monday 30th March – Combined Principal’s Awards Assembly
Thursday 2nd April – Easter Hat Parade

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

Thought for the week: Life is like photography. You use the negatives to develop. - Unknown