PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Although I love winter time, I can’t wait until summer this year. I especially look forward to having an assembly in the hall on a hot summer’s day. Why you ask? Well it’s because we finally have air conditioning in the hall, yeah! And it’s all thanks to our P&C who kindly donated the $6000 to have them installed. These two air conditioners are going to be terrific additions to our school and is something that we have wanted for a long time. From the staff, students and community, THANK YOU P&C.

At the moment, teachers are completing student reports. As it is a short term, we have decided to hold parent teacher interviews early in term three. This is when you will also receive your child’s report. Of course if you need to speak to your child’s teacher on any matter before then, all you need to do is contact the school and arrange a suitable time.

Today you will have received a large plastic bag that asks you to support Stewart House and The Smith Family. You are asked to fill the bag with good, clean, wearable clothing, shoes, manchester and blankets. Any donations will help both charity organisations support disadvantaged families within our communities. Additional bags can be obtained from the front office and all donations need to be back at school by Wednesday, 18 June. Please give generously.

Last week I accompanied our stage 2 children to the Australian Museum. It was a great day, I love the museum and our children were so well behaved. We started with a train trip to Central, a quick change onto another train and then off to Museum Station. We then had a lovely walk through the park and onto the museum. Our main part of the day was to look through the dinosaur exhibit and boy, those things were big. We also participated in a number of hands on activities about dinosaurs. At the end of our time there it was back on the train to arrive home at St Marys tired, but excited about our day. I know I enjoyed myself and I am pretty sure the students did as well.

Last week had the pleasure of accompanying our school leaders, Pyper and Kevin, along with their families to a Civic Reception held by the Penrith City Council. This reception recognised student school leaders from primary schools across the city. Being chosen as a school leader is an opportunity for students to learn how to communicate with and be a positive role models for others. The students were addressed by the Mayor of Penrith and had their photographs taken with him as they received their award.

A reminder that tomorrow the SRC are holding a Pyjama Day. Students can wear their PJ’s to school for a gold coin donation. Please remember that the days have been quite cold recently so a dressing gown and warm footwear might also be a good thing to wear.
Finally, next Monday, 9 June is a public holiday and there will be no school on this day. We will see all of our wonderful students next Tuesday.

Glen Leaf
Principal

Basketball News

Congratulations to both the senior boys and girls basketball teams who represented St Marys at the PSSA State Knockout against St Clair on Wednesday. The boys played with determination and commitment, only to be beaten in the last minute by St Clair PS 20-23. The girls powered through the first half, cementing a strong lead. The second half saw all members working together to record a big win 50-26. The girls will now move on to represent our school in the next round of the competition. Well done to both teams. Best of luck in the next round girls!

Mrs Lee

Cake Day

Cake Day raised $227.00. Thank you to Stage 3 for supplying cakes.
SENIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

On Thursday 29th May the Senior Rugby League team travelled to the Kingsway to compete in the St Clair / St Marys area Greg Alexander Shield ‘B’ division competition for small schools.

In our first pool game we played Holy Spirit and beat them 28-24 in a close game. In our second pool game we played Blackwell and unfortunately lost 10-8 in a game we could have won. In our third game with a finals spot on the line we lost 26-8 to Corpus Christi.

I hope the students enjoyed their day of football. They tried their best and made their school proud with their great attitude and behaviour.

Mr Smith

GIRLS NETBALL KNOCKOUT.

On Tuesday our team went to Jamison courts to play in the Sydney West gala day. Congratulations to the girls. We played our first game against Banks winning 19-5. This put us into the second round of knockout. There we played Clairgate and won a close game 8-2! This put us against Regentville. Although we lost our girls did us proud! A big thank you to the parents and grandparents for their support throughout the day!

Mrs Laws
DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

On Thursday 22\textsuperscript{nd} May the school Cross Country team travelled to Penrith Regatta Centre for the St Marys District Cross Country Carnival.

Every one tried their best and represented the school with pride. Congratulations go to Pyper W (8\textsuperscript{th}), Jake W (6\textsuperscript{th}) and Dante P (7\textsuperscript{th}) for finishing in the top 8 of their respective races. These students will represent St Marys district at the Sydney West carnival on Wednesday 11\textsuperscript{th} June again at the Regatta Centre.

Overall we finished 8\textsuperscript{th} out of the 12 St Marys schools. And we were the best dressed school!

Mr Smith and Miss McAlister
ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Week 3

KD- Merit- Caleb R
PBL- Eden T
KE- Merit- Jovan K
PBL- Erin R
KG – Merit- Sean K
PBL- Matthew F
1/2C- Merit- Brianna SM
PBL- Souad J
1/2L- Merit- Dylan F
PBL- Chantelle R
1/2R- Merit- Ejaz A
PBL- Tuakana P
3/4M- Merit- Troy S
PBL- Harshitha
3/4S- Merit- Arav S
PBL- Selim D
5/6G- Merit- Cailey M
PBL- Meridith T
5/6T- Merit- Joeh W
PBL- Darshika

COMMUNITY NEWS

UNIFORM SHOP/CLOTHING POOL

Uniform shop open times are now:

Monday & Thursday 2.30pm to 3.15pm
Tuesday & Wednesday 8.30am to 9.15am
Friday morning, see Tamara in the Library.

Appointments can be made through the canteen for other times.

CANTEEN

Our canteen is operated by our P&C and is open on Monday, Thursday and Friday. Students must place orders before 9.00am. The NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy is promoted by our school and a variety of nutritious food is available on canteen days. Students need to order any items they require for recess and lunch. They may purchase additional items for the first half of lunch only.

P&C PHOTO DAY

Family Portrait times are still available on Saturday 14th of June 2014. Please phone Jenny Connor on 0403155855 to book in your time. Invite your family and friends to participate in our fundraiser. All booking money goes back into the school to help fund the ramps for our school. Every family booked will go in the draw for a free complete family package.
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CALANDAR

Term 2

WEEK 6

Friday, 6 June
SRC- Pyjama Day
Whole School

WEEK 7- Assembly week

Monday, 9 June
Long Weekend
Whole School

All Week
Dance Auditions
Selected Students

WEEK 8

Tuesday, 17 June
ICAS Spelling
Selected Students

Wednesday, 18 June
Stewart House Collection
Donated Items

Thursday, 19 June
ICAS Writing
Selected Students
Disco
P-6
Senior Basketball
Selected Students

WEEK 9- Assembly week

Tuesday, 24 June
Stage 3 Camp
Stage 3

Friday, 27 June
Privilege Day
Selected Students

TERM 3

Tuesday, 15 July
Students return

Wednesday ,16 July
ES1 Interviews
Kindergarten
Lorikeets Start
Preschool

Thursday, 17 July
S1 Interviews
Years 1 & 2

Friday, 18 July
S2 & S3 Interviews
Years 3 - 6

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way
to include all 5 food groups in a Lunch Box

A well packed lunch box will provide your kids with the energy they need to learn and play. Remember to include lunch box items from the 5 food groups:

Breads and cereals: Try wholemeal bread, wraps and pita. Or try pikelets, rice cakes or homemade muffins and slices.

Fruit: Should be a lunch box staple as its high in fibre, vitamins and minerals. Serve fruit in fun ways: try fruit kebabs or fruit in jelly.

Veggies: Pack carrot and celery sticks with hummus or salsa, or a cold zucchini slice.

Low Fat Dairy: Cheese slices, yoghurts and custards are all great lunch box items.

Lean Protein: Include a variety of sandwich fillings: cooked chicken, tuna, egg or roast meat. Legumes like red kidney beans and chickpeas are a good source of protein and fibre.

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