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- Kindergarten Reading Challenge Note
- P & C note
- Year 6 T-Shirt note
- International Competition Year 3 – 6
- District Swimming note

CLOTHING POOL

Clothing Pool Under COLA
2.30pm Thursdays.
Dates for this term are 3/3 and 17/3.

BANKING

The School Banking dates for this term are fortnightly on a Tuesday: week 7 and week 9

QLD FLOOD APPEAL - $547.85. A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE

PAYMENT/PERMISSION REMINDERS

Please refer to the school money collection policy regarding payment for activities and excursions. All money to be placed in a clearly marked envelope in the secure box outside the Admin Office. No late payments will be accepted. Where possible payment before due date would be appreciated. Spare notes available in the rack in the office foyer.

STAGE 2 HANDWRITING YEAR 3 & 4
Permission slip and $13 due by 9.10am Thursday 17 March.

MATHLETICS K-6
Permission Slip and $10 due by 9.10am Thursday 3 March. 1 Week to go.

CANBERRA/SNOWY MOUNTAINS EXCURSION YEAR 5 and 6
$100 deposit as expression of interest due by 10 March, 2011.

YEAR 6 T SHIRT NOTE
$32 due 9.10 am Friday 11 March.

Canteen News

Open Wednesdays and Fridays Only.

- There is a new canteen Menu to coincide with the new lunch times.
- All orders must be received by the canteen directly before 9.10am
- Reminder that all drink orders must include a separate bag.
Schools Clean Up Day

Next Friday 4th March 2011 is Schools Clean Up Day and Surveyors Creek Public School will be participating by picking up rubbish in the school grounds. We would like all children to participate in this event. Please assist us by providing your child with a plastic bag and gloves on this day.

Whole School Assembly

SRC, Library, Computer and Office Monitors will receive their badges at this week’s assembly, Friday 25 February at 2.10pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

THE READING CHALLENGE

Is your child attempting the Reading Challenge this year?

The NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge is a strategy to encourage wide ranging reading across all Grades. The Challenge is to read 20 to 30 books from the Reading Lists. Students have until the end of Term 2 to complete the Challenge. Grade Booklists and Reading Records are available online – just search for NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge. The lists and rules are available at the library or can be obtained from the website.

For children in Grades 3 – 6 this means approximately one book each week. Fifteen of these books need to be on the Reading Challenge Lists, five can be personal choice. Children in Kindergarten to Year 2 must have 30 books read to them, with 25 being on the list and 5 personal choice. Some students in Year 2 may be able to complete the Grade 3-4 Challenge if they are independent readers.

Books that are on the reading lists are noted at Penrith City Library with spine labels. At our school library they are given a colour-coded dot: a red dot for K-2 books, yellow for 3-4 titles and blue for the senior grades. The all important ID codes are on the right hand corner of the title page. Reading Record sheets are also available and may be left at school in a class folder in the library or taken home for safe-keeping with a parent.

If your child asks you to sign to prove they have read a book, please ensure that this is so by asking them what the story was about and checking that the book was at an appropriate reading level. Children from the support unit are also welcome to complete the Challenge at whatever reading level is appropriate for them.

A huge congratulations to Natasha P who was the first student from our school to complete the 2011 Challenge. Madison M and Ellie S have also finished. Well done to the girls! Is there a boy out there who has almost finished? I am also looking forward to putting up the first Grade 5 or 6 names.

Happy Reading!
Jan Clarence

Meet the Teacher Night – Support Unit

Support teachers will shortly be holding Individual Education Plan (IEP’s) meetings parents. These will replace the need for parents to come to the scheduled Meet the Teacher Night next Wednesday 2nd March.

Class teachers will contact parents shortly to schedule IEP meeting times.

Michael Myerscough
Assistant Principal Support (Supervisor)