Term 1 Week 3

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PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents,

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Great news- Before and after school care starts on Monday 4 March in our school hall! It has taken a long time to set up and a lot of paperwork. More information about this is available in the Community Information section.

ISSUES AT SCHOOL

It is important that we address all concerns and issues that arise at school. If you or your child has a concern, see the classroom teacher first as they generally have a better understanding of the situation. If the problem continues, please contact the Stage Supervisors Mr Toland (Kindergarten), Mrs Comninos (Years 1 and 2), Miss Carman (Years 3 and 4) and Mrs Manning (Years 5 and 6) before seeing me.

EXCURSIONS

Every year we organise excursions to provide experiences that enhance students understanding of the topics that are covered in class. The cost of buses increases every year and using buses with seatbelts (when travelling for more than 10 minutes) makes the cost of

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these excursions very expensive. There are some limited funds to help families with these costs and we are keeping these funds for families when they have three or more children attending. Many families will receive $410 per primary child this year as part of the Schoolkids Bonus. This money is for these school costs.

BEING A HEALTHY ROLE MODEL

Just a reminder that smoking is not allowed on school grounds at any time. Since January smoking is banned from children’s playgrounds, public transport stops and stations, swimming pools and sporting fields. This means that smoking is banned from any school event. We appreciate your support in this.

A FEW REMINDERS

Money- Please give all money to the class teacher in an envelope or a zip lock bag. If you have more than one child at school, it is okay to send all the money and notes to one class.

Bus Stop- Now that we have started PSSA again, the BUS ZONE outside the school comes in force every Friday afternoon. Please do not park in this area as the buses get back just before 3pm and it forces our students to walk on the road. Penalty for parking in school bus zones are fines from $258 and 2 demerit points.

Judy Smith
Principal

CLASS NEWS

1 Timor Sea

Welcome to 1 Timor Sea. It has been busy for the first few weeks of 2013, adjusting to our new role of no longer being the youngest of the school. We are already learning new skills and routines and have even attended our first Swimming Carnival, which was a lot of fun. Keep the new experiences coming!
Welcome to 1 Coral Sea. It has been a very busy start to the year, but the students have settled into their classes. In week three the students had the opportunity to partake in the swimming carnival. The students participated in many fun water activities trying to gain points for their house. The swimming carnival is part of the school’s sports program and allows students to develop their physical skills.
Thank you for appointing me president of the P & C this year. I thought I would take this opportunity to explain what the P & C’s role is within the school.

Firstly we are all voluntary parents from the school or citizens of the community, who work together to raise crucial funds for our school. We also look at ways in which to improve the school and surrounding grounds. This all adds to your child’s experiences here at Wattawa Heights and the facilities available to them.

We also run the Uniform shop every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8.45 to 9am. You can place your orders through the front office.

We would love to see some new members in 2013 and welcome you to any of our meetings (which are usually held on a monthly basis, on either a Monday or Wednesday morning from 9.15 at the school) We are always looking for new and exciting ideas to raise funds as well as ways to improve the school and your child’s experiences at Wattawa Heights. So please feel free to join us at our next meeting to be held on Monday 18\textsuperscript{th} March at 9.15.

**CAKE STALL**

We will be holding a cake stall to raise funds for the school on Wednesday 6\textsuperscript{th} March. The cost of the cakes will be between 50c to $2.00. Please bring the donated cakes to the verandah outside Mr Vaughan’s classroom in the morning before school.

**NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2013**

I am also proud to welcome the new committee members for 2013 & hope we can achieve some great and exciting things in 2013.

Committee members are as follows;

President – Sheree Ingram, Vice President- Kathy Americanis, Treasurer- Lesley McNair, Secretary- Debra Topilidis, Uniform Coordinator- Narelle Motti

Sheree Ingram

P & C President
# STUDENT AWARDS

## CLASS AWARDS

### KINDERGARTEN INDIAN OCEAN
- Alyssa Naaman
- Carina Topalidis
- Ibrahim Abdul kader
- Dayan Wenno

### KINDERGARTEN LAKE EYRE
- Aysha Hamousa
- Felicia Johnson-Sue
- Angela Kaunds
- Michael Leuluiaialii

### 1 CORAL SEA
- Janna Hijazi
- Wafa Moussa
- Adam Abouelhamd
- Noah Akdemir

### 1 TIMOR SEA
- Lydia Asaad
- Kaloni Vaingalo
- Khaled Abdul Rahman
- Qori Johnson-Sue

### 2 TORRES STRAIT
- Titi Faoa
- Jacob Esh
- Jerwyn Manalang
- Tumanako Michael

### 2/3 NEPEAN RIVER
- Khaled Moussa
- Sarah Almaaz
- Sophia Myers
- Ayman Mohamed

### 3/4 PACIFIC OCEAN
- Cindy Dao
- Mohammed El Adib
- Keanu Agius
- Ahmed Fayad

### 3/4 TASMAN SEA
- Akasha Agius
- Crystal Nguyen
- Yasser Kanj
- Zaphanata Matua

### 4/5 BASS STRAIT
- Iman El Chami
- Lily-Jean Mc Nair
- Gordan Yang
- Ali Al Moosawy

### 5/6 ARAFURA SEA
- Ferial Elmasri
- Corey Baldwin
- Faye Do
- Shanelle Robinson

### 5/6 SOUTHERN OCEAN
- Natalie Laws
- Shifa Alhalaby
- Nada Abdulrahman
- Kelvin Gian

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UPDATE STUDENT INFORMATION

Please make sure that you have returned your amended green forms and/or asthma and allergy forms as soon as possible to your classroom teacher or to the office. Children become very distressed when parents and/or carers cannot be contacted when they have been injured or become ill.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE AT WATTAWA HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Our centre provides quality before & after school care for your child, where they will enjoy spending time in a warm, caring and safe environment.

- 7am to 9am and 3pm to 6pm
- Newly built school hall
- Nutritional meals
- Indoor/outdoor activities
- Qualified friendly staff
- Quiet area for homework assistance given
- Several years experience in looking after school children
- CCB assistance available

For more information please call us on 0413 913 364 (limited places available) or visit us on the corner of Cantrell & Marion Streets.

BIRRONG GIRLS HIGH OPEN MORNING

Year 5 and 6 girls are invited to visit us Birrong Girls High Open Morning on Wednesday 13th March between 10.30am- 12.30pm.

Information includes

- learning about our school and our achievements
- tour our school facilities and attractive grounds
- visit classes and speak to students and staff

CONDELL PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Positive Approaches To Parenting Teenagers is to be held on Wednesday 6th March between 9.30am- 11.30 am CLC room. Sessions will be conducted by Matthew Broadbridge team leader youth counsellor (Mission Australia).

Topics to be presented:

- teaching teenagers to take responsibilities
- staying connected with your teenager
- surviving parenthood how to look after yourself
- influences on young people today

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FAMILIES TOGETHER

Sibling Rivalry, Birth Order And Personality Development is a seminar which helps you learn how to handle competition amongst your children. In this workshop you will learn about particular issues for each child’s position. You will learn about competition and how it can influence a child’s personality even if there is no obvious fighting present.

Thursday 28th February 2013 between 6.30pm - 9.00pm at Electra House Club Marconi Marconi Plaza, Bossley Park. NO COST

KEEPING YOUR COOL WITH YOUR KIDS

Presented by Petroula Quinn. Sometimes parents can become stressed and can lose patience with their children quickly. This 2 hour seminar will help parents develop a greater understanding of their own emotions and anger as well as provide tips about how to manage their own anger better.

Topics covered:

- what is and how it develops
- understanding your own emotions as a parent
- impact of your own anger on your children
- tips on managing and coping with your own emotions to become the parent that you want to be

Tuesday 5th March 2013 6.30- 8.30pm at the Uniting Church 219 The River Road, Revesby. Bookings are essential please call on 0407 708 626 to book. NO COST
Bankstown Children’s Educational Centre

Positions available, Age 2 – 6 years

- Established since 1994
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- Quality educational program and Striving to improve Children's education
- School readiness and Preschool program
- Individual children portfolios
- Nutritious hot meals
- High level security
- Teachers also speak Arabic & Vietnamese
- Child care benefit available

Please call/ visit us if you need further information on (02) 97094401

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