Dear Parents,

PARENTING COURSES AT OUR SCHOOL

Last week Creating Links held the first session of the Triple P Parenting Program at our school for Arabic speaking parents. The purpose is to increase the parenting skills for families with children aged 0 -17 living in the Bankstown Local Government Area (LGA). They are planning a course for Vietnamese speaking families at Chester Hill Public School and an English speaking one at Yagoona Public School later in the semester. You can still enrol this week by ringing Iman on 8713 77 00 or 0422 636 792.

LEARNING IS PARAMOUNT

Children learn in a calm and organised environment where they understand the rules and know the consequences. When a child or group of children are interrupting the learning of others, we must enforce our discipline procedures. Children are given a verbal warning, then their name goes on the board, then moved to timeout in the classroom and finally sent to the supervisor. Please be assured that if your child has been sent out, they have had four opportunities to change their behaviour.

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OUR FABULOUS CLASSROOM TEACHERS

Please let me introduce you to our classroom teachers for 2015.

Ms Alha       Mrs Longbottom    Mrs Wright
KA

Mrs Ibrahim            Mrs Ghattas
K/1L Support KA & K/1L
Reading Recovery & RFF

Judy Smith
Principal

KA

Mr Muller
Miss Dibley       Mr Toland
3/4M 3/4D 4/5T

Mrs Khalil
Mr Duong
Vietnamese
Arabic

Mrs Abousamra
Arabic Language
RFF

Miss Harris
Miss Harris
Stage 2 Support
RFF

Mrs Warren
Mrs Warren
Reading Support

Mrs Galbraith      Mrs Leventis    Mrs Kalatzis         Mrs Warren           Mrs Steinfurth
2G 2/3L Stage 1 support
Reading Support

Library

Miss Wilcomes       Mr Robberds
5/6W 5/6R

Mrs Taseski
Mrs Taseski
Learning and Support Teacher

We are safe, respectful learners.
It is an expectation that students should wear school uniform at all times. The P & C provide a uniform shop on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays before school and also have some clean second hand clothing available. Please ensure your children are incorrect school uniform.

Boys- Royal Blue Shorts
   Polo Shirts With School Emblem
   White Socks
   Black Shoes

Girls- Checked Dress
   Or
   Royal Blue Shorts
   Polo Shirt With School Emblem
   White Socks
   Black Shoes

If your daughter requires head or leg covering it must be royal blue or white.
Sports uniform should only be worn on Friday.

Nitsa Comninos
Assistant Principal

TEACHERS’ MESSAGES
SRC NEWS

Congratulations to the students below on being selected for SRC for 2015. These students will be responsible for making decisions on behalf of their peers. They will be expected to display excellent behaviour, good leadership and sportsmanship by helping out during fundraising events and all other school activities.

These students will receive their certificates and badges at this Friday’s school assembly.


I look forward to working with these students in 2015. Mrs Ibrahim

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WATTAWA HEIGHTS HAS SKOOLBAG!

What is Skoolbag?

Skoolbag provides schools with an easy way to tell parents/carers everything they need to know, and it provides parents with the most convenient way to receive school notifications. No more lost paper in student school bags! School newsletters, school notices and alerts are communicated directly to the parent smartphone through the Skoolbag school Mobile App. Skoolbag is school Mobile App that communicates directly with iPhone, and Android devices.

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

FOR ANDROID USERS

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

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SPORTS NEWS

SWIMMING CARNIVAL REMINDER
A reminder that the last day to pay $13 for the swimming carnival is Friday 27th February 2015. The carnival will be held on Wednesday 4th March at Greenacre Pool.

STUDENT AWARDS

CLASS AWARDS

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LIVE LIFE WELL @ SCHOOL

Crunch@Sip:
Please remember to pack a fruit or vegetable snack and a bottle of water for your child’s Crunch@Sip fruit break. This is not only providing children with vital nutrition but it also assists children’s physical and mental performance and concentration in the classroom.
Your enthusiasm and participation in such a program is vital for its success. Mrs Ibrahim

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OFFICE NEWS

Just a few reminders from the office:

1) All permission notes and money are to be handed in an envelope to your child’s classroom teacher. Please make sure you have the correct money with your child’s name and class on it. Please do not give it to the office, we do not issue any change.

2) If your child is sick or is going on holidays, please let the school know. Skoolbag has an eform for you to fill in.

3) Our school hours are between 9am till 3pm. Please drop off and pick up your children during these times. If your child is late or needs to leave early, please see the office for a pass. Do not go straight to your child’s classroom. Parking is not allowed on the school grounds. Please take extra care when you are dropping off or picking up your children, it becomes very hectic during these times.

4) Please make sure that all your child’s clothing, hats, bags, lunch box and drink bottles are labelled with their full name. We don’t keep any spare hats in the front office.

We have a Before and After School Care on the school’s premises called Unique Kidz. See on the back page of this newsletter for further details.

COMMUNITY NEWS

BANKSTOWN FAMILY FUN DAY
Get Connected For Families With Pre-School Children Aged 0 -5

Come along for a fun filled day, meet local service providers and find out what is available in your community and schools for your family. Free BBQ lunch and childrens activities.

When: Bankstown City Gardens
Corner Ross & Restwell Streets, Bankstown. For further details please call Ellen on 9707 9622.
- Zoo Mobile from Taronga Zoo
- Jumping castle
- Sport activities
- Music twisting
- Face painting

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