Principal’s Message

Dear Parents,

Mr Cosier has been attending the ISER Principal’s Conference over the last few days and will be on long service leave from next Monday until the end of term. Mr Butt will be relieving Principal during this time.

As this is the first time I’ve had the opportunity to write something for the newsletter, I’d like to convey my first impressions of Wollongong Public School. The students have been very welcoming, quickly learning my name and cheerfully saying hello in the playground. That makes it easy for “a new kid” to fit in, especially when they’re happy to answer my many very basic questions such as, “So where would the sports shed be?” or “I don’t know the teacher’s name, but could you take this note to the tall teacher in the yellow dress?”

Although playground space is limited, the students are fortunate to have so many extra curricular activities provided for by the teachers. In Years 5 & 6, they have the opportunity to participate in choir, ukulele, band, dance, Peacekeepers, visual arts group, SRC, frisball and gardening.

Term 1 also provides many sporting opportunities for senior students. The school swimming team recently finished 5th at the District Carnival. Libby was 11 Year Girls Champion and Gabe and Jessica were runners up in their age groups. A number of excellent results saw a number of our students representing the District at this week’s Regional Carnival.

As well there have been quite a few sporting trials. We have had success at District cricket trials, rugby league trials, as well as Zone AFL.

The next major sporting event for the school will be the cross-country carnival on the 26th March. This is for 8 – 13 year olds. Start practising.

Don’t forget the P&C Trivia Night, this Friday, 8th March at the Master Builders Club starting at 6:30pm. The P&C Annual General Meeting is on Monday 11th March at 7pm in the library.

Kind regards,

Phil Cummins
Assistant Principal
**CALENDAR**

**Term 1, Week 6**

- Monday, March 4th
- Tuesday, March 5th: CANTEEN CLOSED
- Wednesday, March 6th: Regional Swimming Carnival
- Thursday, March 7th: CANTEEN CLOSED
- Friday, March 8th: P & C Trivia Night

**Term 1, Week 7**

- Monday, March 11th: P & C Meeting 7pm in the library
- Tuesday, March 12th: CANTEEN CLOSED
- Wednesday, March 13th
- Thursday, March 14th: CANTEEN CLOSED
- Friday, March 15th

**Term 1, Week 8**

- Monday, March 18th
- Tuesday, March 19th: CANTEEN CLOSED
- Wednesday, March 20th
- Thursday, March 21st: CANTEEN CLOSED
- Friday, March 22nd

Uniform shop is only open on Tuesday 2.30-3.00pm

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**EASTER HAT PARADE**

Our annual Easter Hat Parade will be held on **Thursday 28th March at 2pm** under the COLA.

All students are permitted to participate, and will be making their hats with buddy classes in the coming weeks. The students will parade class by class to show off their creations. Please note that there are no prizes as this isn’t a competition.

Please encourage your child/children to use recycled bits and pieces rather than rushing out and spending a fortune on accessories.

Some ideas for things to send in are:

- *old cereal boxes – the cardboard is excellent;*
- *scrap of material, wool, ribbon, string;*
- *cotton wool /cotton balls;*
- *old wrapping paper;*
- *anything that you can think of that will look good on an Easter hat.*

Please come along and join in the fun. The Easter bunny will make a visit with Easter eggs for every child.

We look forward to seeing you.

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**FROM THE OFFICE**

Any EFTPOS payments must be over $10.00, as the school is charged for every transaction, if you are filling out the EFTPOS slip all activities should be on the ONE EFTPOS slip and placed in an envelope with permission notes.

**NO PARKING**

Parents are reminded that the car parks on school grounds are for **STAFF ONLY**. The car parks are also out of bounds and parents are reminded that they are **not** to walk children through them.

**P & C News**

* **Uniform Shop Opening Time** Tuesday 2.30 to 3.00

  **We are No Longer Open On Friday.**

  A big thanks to Emily who has run & assisted in the Uniform Shop for a muchly appreciated very long time.

  **More VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

  you pick the 1/2hour time slot to suit yourself.

  call Trish 0428355696

  Please help us.

  **Orders placed in the BLUE P&C BOX will be dealt with asap**

  PS please put in order/s for winter uniforms asap so we will be ready for the colder months

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VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION 2013

Dear Parents/ Caregivers

Voluntary school contributions provide an important source of extra funds for our school. All funds raised in this manner are channelled directly into extra resources for the children. These include such items as art and craft equipment, books, computer software and sports equipment.

The contribution rate for this year is:

$40.00 per child or $55.00 per family

You may choose to contribute above this amount but if most of our families contribute the amount specified it will mean an injection of between seven and a half and eight thousand dollars into resources for students. The contribution can be paid in full or in instalments over the year.

Let me stress that this is a voluntary scheme supported by the P & C and that no child will be disadvantaged in any way should you not be in a position to pay them.

Regards

Harold Cosier
Principal

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Total amount enclosed $__________________

Signed____________________________________ Date: _______________