Term 3 – Week 10

Term 3 Week 10 September
Monday 14th
Popcorn & Flavoured Milk Sales
9:15-11:15 -Transition To School Playgroup
12:45pm - Swimming Scheme
3:15pm Hindi Language Classes
3:15pm – Staff PL

Tuesday 15th
Lunch Orders Today
3:00pm – Homework Club

Wednesday 16th
Popcorn & Flavoured Milk Sales
Scripture Classes
9:00am – Student of the Term Assembly
2:30pm – 6:30pm – 3-Way Interviews GREEN ZONE

Thursday 17th
9:30 – 11:30am Playgroup for 4 Year olds
Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off Day
Lunch Orders Today

Friday 18th
School Sport
1:15pm – Assembly
3:00pm - Band Session
Last Day of Term 3

Term 4 Week 1 October
Welcome Back to Term 4
Monday 5th
Public Holiday
Tuesday 6th
Lunch Orders Today

Wednesday 7th
Popcorn & Flavoured Milk Sales
Scripture Classes
2:40pm – SRC Meeting

Thursday 8th
Playgroup for 4 Year Olds, 9:30-11:30am
Lunch Orders Today

Friday 9th
School Sport
1:15 – Assembly
3:00pm – Band Session

Buzz Awards

K-2
Be a Learner Eva 2/1L
Be a Learner Connie 2/1M
Be a Learner Strantz 2/1L
Be Respectful Noah KP

3-6
Be a Learner Ayo 4/3P
Be Respectful Harry 4/3P
Be Safe Ian 4/3L
Be Respectful Anthony 4/3B

Don’t forget to pack your ‘Crunch & Sip’ every day!
Week 8 – 2/1AL & 6/5W

Gold Merit Awards
Congratulation to the following gold merit award recipients:

- Tisya KD Eva 4/3B
- Adhiraj 2/1AL Saxon 4/3B
- Kahyne 2/1AL Anthony 4/3B
- Shiv 2/1AL Jessica 4/3B
- Nada 2/1AL Tara 4/3B
- Emitis 2/1AL Deanna 4/3B
- Pratyush 2/1HS Omar 4/3B
- Ghazlan 2/1HS Andrew 4/3P
- Rian 2/1HS Victoria 4/3P
- Chloe 2/1HS Lavanya 4/3P
- Daniel 2/1L Luke 4/3P
- Sevil 2/1L Jasmine 4/3P
- Strantz 2/1L Krisha 4/3P
- Chris 2/1M Ricardo 4/3P
- Lama 2/1M Anahera 6/5W
- Zach 2/1M Ehab 6/5Y
- Pedram 2/1M
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Father’s Day Stall
The students thoroughly enjoyed purchasing a special gift for dad at the Father’s Day Stall held last week. This was a great success due to the hard work and dedication of the P & C executive committee and the parent volunteers. Thank you – we appreciate all you do for all studentsK-6. The photos on the website say it all! http://www.parramattn-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/gallery/father-s-day

Three-Way Interviews – Wednesday, 16 September
A reminder that our class teachers will be conducting three-way interviews. The three-way interview is a very important occasion for you, your child and the teacher, as you will be able to discuss the achievements and progress of your child and to set goals for the remainder of the year. Interview notes have been sent home to all families. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you would like to schedule an interview.

PNPS Students Celebrating the Arts in Style!
Congratulations to all students who participated in Celebrating the Arts on Monday, 31 August and Wednesday, 2 September. I was immensely proud to be associated with Parramatta North Public School as we witnessed a fabulous concert on Monday and Wednesday evening. The School Choir, Junior and Senior Dance groups, PNPS Drummers along with our Parramatta Learning Community Dance Troupe who performed on the Wednesday evening, all received tremendous applause as they showcased such talent. A show of this magnitude cannot occur without parental and whole staff support. A special mention must go to the committed coordinators, Mrs Postlethwaite, Miss Philippi, Miss Dodd, Mr Leeson, Ms Lance and Miss Pye. Thank you to Miss Pye for her overall coordination of this wonderful production. Well done everyone!

Swim School
65 students from Years 2-6 will complete this course on Friday. The Department of Education’s intensive learn to swim program provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. We appreciate the teachers who are supervising, teaching and supporting the students as they walk to and from the pool each day. Thank you to Ms Roser who has organised and coordinated this wonderful program, providing students the opportunity to develop these vital skills.

Hindi Community Language Program @ PNPS to commence 2016
It is with great pleasure that I am able to confirm that Parramatta North PS has been allocated a teacher to implement a Hindi language program at our school in 2016. The Hindi Language Program will operate alongside our current Farsi Community Language program. The Hindi teacher will implement the program for one day a week commencing in 2016. Further details will be communicated to you when the teacher is appointed. Yesterday I attended the Hindi Divas Ceremony recognising outstanding achievement and effort of students participating in the program. As we have had an excellent Hindi Language program operating after school each Monday, many of our students received awards. Congratulations to Jai and Ishita who received Excellence Achievement Awards and to Kourosh for an Outstanding Effort Award. Well done to all students who have participated in this program. A special thank you to their teachers, Mrs Madhu Arora and Mrs Kusum Chaudhry and to Mrs Mala Mehta (OAM), Honorary Founder and Coordinator – such dedication and commitment to contributing to the success of Hindi community language programs.

Ten Cent Technology Fundraiser
Families and staff collected their coins and generously donated to this cause raising $650 to date. Well done everyone. Miss Young will be purchasing more iPad. We still have another 5 days to go. Continue to save your silver coins!!

ICAS Writing Competition
Congratulations to all students who participated in this year’s UNSW Spelling Competition
23 students participated and we were awarded 16 Participation, 4 Credit and 2 Distinction certificates and 1 High Distinction. Continue to strive to achieve your personal best.
Credit: Rushil, Eda, Brian, Savaira
Distinction: Vishnu, Chandni
High Distinction: Anirudha

History Week
History came alive at Hambledon Cottage as some of our drama students dressed the part to celebrate this important occasion and performed a reader’s theatre recitation. Our students represented the crew of HMAS Parramatta II. I commend Abbey, William, Siya, Sehandu and Felix for their fabulous performance. Thank you to Mrs Courtney for coordinating this event and to Ms Lance for your assistance on the day.
Stage 3 Camp
Our Stage 3 students returned from ‘The Great Aussie Bush Camp’ on Wednesday. Exhausted, but excited to share the news of their adventures. I was delighted to visit the site, meet the camp staff and participate in the evening disco. It is always a pleasure to receive feedback from our teachers and the ‘Great Aussie Bush Camp’ organisers, full of praise for our students and their overall conduct. Congratulations students!
A huge thank you to Mrs Mehta, Mr Leeson, Miss Young and Mr Wheatley who accompanied the students and contributed to such a successful experience for the students. You will enjoy reading the student report in this newsletter.

Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off Day
Our “Jump Rope For Heart Jump Off Day” will be held next Thursday at 9:00am. Please come along and watch the students perform their skipping routines. Parents and visitors will also have the chance to showcase their skipping skills at the end of the student performances.

Zone Track and Field Events
Congratulations to Andre and Vikay for being excellent school representatives at the Sydney West Carnival last week. Be sure to read Mr Wheatley’s report.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016
If your child turns five before July 31, 2016, they are eligible to enrol for Kindergarten next year. Please contact the school office for an enrolment form.

Staffing News
Congratulations to Miss Dodd who has been appointed to our school as a permanent teacher. This is a well-deserved appointment and we welcome Miss Dodd to our permanent teaching staff and know that she will continue to contribute to enhancing the outcomes for our students.

The last day of Term 3 is this Friday, 18th September. With warmer weather hopefully upon us, here are some ideas for enjoying the holidays with your family: Go to: www.goplay.nsw.gov.au

Term 4 resumes on Tuesday, 6th October.

Mrs Kathryn Methven
Principal

Sydney West Carnival 2015
Vikay and Andre both represented Parramatta North and their PSSA Zone with distinction at the Sydney West Athletics Carnival held last Wednesday at Blacktown International Sports Park.
Vikay and Andre competed in the 100m, while Vikay also contested the 200m and Long Jump events. In a fiercely fought competition against the regions elite athletes, Vikay qualified for the final in the sprints and finished ranked inside the top 10 in Sydney West.
Well done Vikay and Andre on your outstanding efforts.
Mr Wheatley

Water Safety Tips
Beaches, lakes, rivers, creeks and pools are popular spots in summer for people young and old to cool off and have fun. Here are some easy steps you can take to make sure your child stays safe.

Foyer Display
Please make time to view 2/1L’s lovely art display in the office foyer.

Flu Season Is Here
Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:
- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness. The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit's vaccination page.

Skipping @ PNPS Term 4
Morning Skipping
This week morning skipping will be for the Jump Rope for Heart Demo Team only.
Next term mornings will be as follows:
Monday - N/A
Tuesday - N/A
Wednesday - K-2
Thursday - 3-6
Friday – Jump Rope For Heart Demonstration Team

PNPS Transition to School Playgroup
Do you know any children who will be starting Kindergarten at PNPS in 2016? Please let them know about our “Transition To School Playgroup”. The playgroup runs every Monday morning from 9:15-11:15am.
We already have 25 children and their families involved in this playgroup which is a fantastic way to get them ready for school. Any enquiries can be made at the office.

Ms Roser
School Uniforms
A reminder to all families that we will transition to Summer Uniform to commence Term 4. Many students are already wearing their summer uniform due to the warmer weather.

We have a few students who are allergic to nuts and one student who is highly allergic, which could be life threatening.

Please Do Not put Peanut Butter or Nutella on your child's sandwiches or send nuts to school.

Student Contribution

Camp By Numbers - Krish
0 Hours of sleep because of excitement
1 Epic Talent Quest
1 Mind-blowing experience
1 Crazy, mad disco party
2 Hours drive to get to camp
2 Awesome, fun nights
3 Strong rowers on the canoe
3 Awesome instructors
3 Days of amazingness
4 Amazing teachers who had fun with us
4 Scary activities on day 2
7 Surprised kids in the cabin
8 Fun activities
9 Big cabins
10 Tasty, yum meals
64 Excited, loud, adventurous stage 3 students
80.7 Kilometres to Kincumber
100% that I thought I would die on the activities

Problem of the Week
Congratulations to our Week 7 winners!

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Remember to look out for the problem of the week in every newsletter. Problems will vary in the degree of difficulty from week to week. Write your answer with your name and class on a piece of paper. Place this in the ‘Problem of the Week’ box located in the office by 3pm on the following Wednesday. The first correct answers drawn out of the box for K-2 and 3-6 will be our Problem Solving Award Recipients. Be sure to include your working on your answer sheet. Good luck everyone!

Problem K-2
On Friday evening I counted 35 trucks and 89 cars driving past my house. How many more cars than trucks drove past my house?

Problem 3-6
Ruby gave the following clues about her house number. It is a 3 digit number where the number in the hundreds place is 4 more than the number in the ones place, the number in the tens place is 1 more than the number in the ones place, and the number in the ones place is the same as the remainder you get when you divide the number 24 by 3. What is Ruby’s house number?

Absence from School
If your child has been absent from school due to sickness etc, please write a note to your child’s class teacher stating the date and reason for the absence. It is a Department requirement that all absences from school are explained.

The School App also has an Absent Note function.

Email Distribution of Newsletter
You have the option of having our school newsletter emailed to you instead of having a hard copy handed to your child. You can nominate as many email addresses as you like. Please send an email to the following address pnpsnewsletter@gmail.com and list these details:

- Write your family name
- Write your student/s name/s and class/es
- List any email addresses you wish to include for newsletter distribution: work, home etc.

If you have any questions please see Miss Young.

Farsi Report
سلام
میشود بار اکثر شیش شنبه به مدرسه به‌کم آمده ادامه کاری که تا اینجا به نظر می‌رسد. اگر بخواهید برایمن اطلاعات بیشتری از ما خواهید داشت، با ما تماس بگیرید.

P & C Report
Father’s Day
With the support of many volunteering parents, our father’s day stall on Friday, 4 September, 2015 went very well. This year we had put out gift catalogue in classrooms a few weeks before the father's day stall so students could have the opportunity of knowing the choices beforehand and come prepared. Once again all the proceeds from the sales of the gifts will go towards supporting our school.

General Meeting
Our General Meeting on Monday, 7 September, 2015 was attended by Dr Geoff Lee (MP). Thank you to Dr Lee for his ongoing support to our school and all the parents who attended the morning tea.

We would like to wish all the families of PNPNS community a happy & safe Term 3, 2015 holiday break.

The P & C Executive Committee
No Child’s Education is Complete Without Music
Do you want your child to learn guitar in a fun, supportive environment from an experienced and patient teacher?

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