Dear Parents / Carers

Harmony Day … this Friday, March 21

Harmony Day is celebrated around Australia on March 21 each year. It’s a day where all Australians celebrate our cultural diversity. The day is also the United Nation’s International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Harmony Day is managed by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) and gives people the opportunity to celebrate what makes each Australian unique and share what we have in common.

The continuing message for Harmony Day in 2014 is that Everyone Belongs, which means all Australians are a welcome part of our country, regardless of their background. It’s a time to reflect on where Australia has come from, recognising the traditional owners of this land. It’s also about community participation, inclusiveness and respect – celebrating the different cultures that make Australia a great place to live.

Working with the support of the Warnervale Community Centre staff and volunteers we have an exciting program organised for all students on Friday. The day begins with a K—6 Assembly at 9.30 am which you are all welcome to attend. We would love to see the children wear an orange (the official colour of Harmony Day) T shirt. The P & C will provide an appropriate orange piece of fruit for each child for fruit break.

Harmony Art Expo

Please take the time to come and view our Harmony Day Art exhibition. Each child in the school has an artwork on display in the library. A special selection of art works is also on display in the foyer.

School Photos—March 25

All class photos Kindergarten—Year 5, individual photos and family photos will be taken next Tuesday March 25. All photo orders need to be returned to school before next Tuesday. Children need to be in their correct school uniform—tunics for girls, school polo shirt and black shorts for boys. Remember black socks for boys, white socks for girls—no coloured stockings please girls and hair ribbons need to be black or maroon! Year 6 class photos, Year 6 photos, captains and house captain photos will be taken in Term 3.

Parent / Teacher Interviews

Please mark Wednesday April 2 in your diaries. We will be holding Parent / Teacher Interviews from 2.30 pm – 6.20 pm. All class teachers will be available for a 10 min interview with you. Further information will be sent out later this week regarding online booking for Interviews.

Regards,

Ms Jill Carter
Principal
Wordabout is our weekly newsletter and is our main way of communicating important information to parents and carers. We understand that many of us lead very busy lives and it is very easy to overlook reading it. We ask that you please take a couple of minutes each week to go through the newsletter and note anything that is relevant to you or your child.

You would be amazed by how much time the office staff devotes to fielding phone calls from parents asking questions that were answered in previous newsletters. If you are unable to view Wordabout online just send in a request for a hardcopy to be sent home. Remember that the Wordabout and other notes are posted on our website each Wednesday.

High School Expression of Interest for Year 7 in 2015
Please return your forms to your classroom teacher by this Friday 21st March.

Canberra Camp Payments
All Year 6 students attending the Canberra camp please be reminded that all money is due to be paid in full by Thursday 10th April.

Sport News
Zone Rugby League
Congratulations to Jacob S - 11 years and Taitem T - 12 years on their selection in the Wallarah Zone Rugby League teams.

Zone Soccer
Congratulations to Ashley W, Brodie W and Charlotte A on their selection in the Wallarah Zone Soccer team.

Sydney North Swimming Carnival
We wish Georgia M, Brock R, Charlotte A, Cade M, Ash W, Zoe N, Casey M, Rebecca W, Brodie W and Lachlan M all the best as they compete at the Sydney North Swimming Carnival next Tuesday 25th at Homebush.

P&C News - Hot Cross Buns
Over the next few weeks we will be holding our next fundraiser. Hot Cross Buns from Bakers Delight.

Traditional, Choc Chip and Mocha YUM. At $7 per pack a great fundraiser for the school.
Your kids will be bringing home order forms in the next couple of weeks. Delivery will be the last week of term.

Canteen News
To celebrate “Harmony Day” we will have some chalkboard specials available until sold out! Lasagne for $2 a serve
Pasta Bolognese in a cup $1
Fruit Jelly and custard $1
Vanilla Cupcakes with orange icing 50cents & more.....
The canteen will be open at lunch and recess so bring your coins to spend at the window.

P&C Mufti Day—Friday 28th March
Please bring an Easter Egg, nut free chocolate or gold coin donation to wear your brightly coloured T-shirts and tops with your school shorts, skorts, school shoes and school hat. We will be collecting Easter goodies in the morning before the school bell to make up our 30 prize baskets for the “Easter Eggstravaganza” fundraiser which will be drawn on Monday 7th April.
Look out for your ticket books (6 tickets per book) coming home soon.

School Payments
Money days for payment of school contributions, excursions etc are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please keep fundraising and canteen money separate to all other payments as these are processed by various different people. Receipts will only be issued for payments over $10.
You can pay by cash, cheque or credit card. Please keep in mind that the minimum payment on EFTPOS is $10. Please ensure that you enclose the correct money as we do not have the facilities to issue change. All payments need to be given to your classroom teacher to be marked off the role, NOT the office.

Class Awards 2014 — Week 8

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