Dear Parents / Carers

Friday May 23—Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around.

And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

◊ Walking with them the whole way to school
◊ If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
◊ If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.
◊ Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Parking Warnervale Rd

Just a reminder that the parking signs on Warnervale Rd are No Parking. Drivers may drop off or pick up their children during the times shown on these signs, but note:

◊ The maximum stopping time is 2 minutes
◊ The vehicle must not be left unattended
◊ The driver must remain within 3 metres of the vehicle

Uniform

Now that the weather is cooling it is important to ensure that your child has a school jumper or jacket with them at school. Please remember that our school uniform is maroon and black. When children wear other coloured jackets and hats they do stand out from the crowd! Remember to label all clothing.

Reforms to P&C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php.

Regards,
Ms Jill Carter
Principal

Thank you to all the classes who have been displaying their beautiful work in our foyer. Please drop in and admire their expertise. Thank you to 2H for this week’s display.
Choir

The Wizard of Oz Choir is coming together nicely. Thanks to all the students from Kindergarten to Year 6 who came along last Thursday to sign up. We will put a list on our school choir page on the website soon. We will also list some of the songs to learn and the links to find them on the internet.

We will be practising every Thursday afternoon this term. If any other children are interested in joining they may come and see us this Thursday afternoon after Recess in 1NC’s room. If you are already in the K-2 Wizard of Oz dance group you will not be able to join the choir.

Mrs Nakhoul and Mrs White.

Stewart House

A big thank you to all of the children who participated in Stewart House Blue Day. We raised $259.10. Your donation supports the 1,800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT. Good luck to all the families who enter the Stewart House Donation Drive competition. It will be drawn this Friday 23rd May.

Stewart House High Bounce Balls are still for sale each morning before school please see Mrs Ankrett or Mrs Buckton. Bounce balls are only $3 each.

Year 6 Fundraising

Next Friday 30th May we are having a sausage sizzle - notes have gone out and orders are due by next Tuesday 27th May—includes a popper for $5.

We are also having a lunchtime disco on this day with gold coin donation - K-2 at Lunch and Years 3-6 at Recess.

Throughout next week we will be having a Guess the Lollies in the Jar competition: 50c a guess! We will also be holding a Guess the Baby from the list of our Warnervale teachers. This is also 50c a guess. Winners will be announced on Friday 30th for both.

With the Guess the Baby—every child will get an entry form. Fill this in and bring back to school and hand to the girls with their 50c at the desk at recess and lunch.

The list of the teachers will be on our school website and a display of the teacher’s baby photos will be available each morning. This way parents can help their child fill out the form or maybe the parent would like to enter themselves?

Year 6 Canberra Camp

Last week 12th May – 14th May, Year 6 went to Canberra. We went to Parliament House, The Australian War Memorial, Australian Institute of Sport, Mount Ainsley Lookout, Old Parliament House, Telstra Tower, The Royal Australian Mint, National Capital Exhibition and Questacon. The highlights of the excursion were Questacon, the AIS and the Royal Australian Mint. The AIS was a 90 minute tour of the stadiums. We had a look at a performing arena, a gymnastics practice area, volleyball courts and an Olympic Swimming pool. We then went to a training simulator. The Royal Australian Mint was an hour tour around the factory. We saw robots working, lifting barrels of coins and packaging bags of coins. Questacon was a two hour science activity centre. The students wandered through seven levels of science activities. Some of the features of Questacon were The Giant Slide, Earthquake House, Lightning Generator and water display.

Charlotte C / Connor C

Biggest Afternoon Tea

A big thank you to our wonderful parents who kindly donated cakes and slices for our Biggest Afternoon Tea. Thank you also to our families who joined us for a cuppa on Monday. We raised $401 and the P&C donated $49 ... giving us a total of $450 to donate to the Cancer Council.

Environmental Club Cooking

On Friday the Environmental Club students enjoyed a cup of pumpkin soup. We used a pumpkin grown at school, along with some fresh oregano from our herb patch, to make a warm, healthy treat for our hardworking students.

Canteen Reminder

Our Canteen is only open for lunch orders on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

P&C News

Final chance to book in for our Family Portrait Day this Sunday. Only afternoon bookings available. $15 to be paid this week.

Class Photos 1HD

We have been informed by AdvancedLife that 1HD class photos are on their way.

Class Awards 2014 — Term 2 Week 4

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