



Governor Philip King Public School

'Our school exists for children'

Week 8 Term 3
4 September 2012

From the Principal...

Infants' Athletics Carnival - What a wonderful day our K-2 students had last week at the infants' athletics carnival. The students participated in running races and a variety of fun activities throughout the day. It was great to see so many parents come along to cheer on and support our students. Thank you to Miss Vella and the K-2 team for their outstanding organisation and smooth running of the day. Thank you also to the many parent volunteers who helped on the day with a variety of jobs. These events take a lot of planning and organisation outside of school and we greatly appreciate the efforts of all staff involved.

Grade/Stage Assemblies - Assemblies are a way for students to be recognised by their peers and teachers, share important information, participate in singing and present items. There are very clear rules and expectations for students attending assemblies. Unfortunately, recently a number of assemblies have needed to be stopped because of parent and toddler interruptions. This has included a parent answering a phone call and carrying out a conversation during the handing out of awards, toddlers running around at the front of the assembly and parents holding loud conversations with the person next to them. Students are expected to follow our key rule of being respectful. In the hall this means **'Look and listen to whoever is speaking'**. We enjoy the fact that parents come along to assembly but we are asking that all mobile phones are switched off, parents are not holding conversations and that parents are vigilant in ensuring toddlers are not disrupting the assembly. We need to be setting the example for students in terms of acceptable standards of behaviour and modelling this behaviour. Your support in this area would be greatly appreciated.

Out of Bounds Areas - We have a large number of staff on duty around the school throughout the day. However, there are a number of areas that are out of bounds for students to be in throughout the day. This includes before school prior to classes starting. Students have been made very aware of the areas they are allowed to play in before school. It is expected that teachers on morning duty ensure all students are in the correct areas, even though they may be with their parents. Teachers will ask students to move to appropriate in bounds areas in the morning. Parents are asked to support and follow these requests and ensure children are in the correct areas for supervision. If a staff member asks your child to move to a play area it is expected this will be done straight away.

Smoking on School Grounds - Smoking is not permitted on school grounds at any time. This is following DEC and Government policy. Parents and visitors are asked to follow these guidelines for the health and safety of our staff and students. Any person caught smoking on school grounds will be asked to leave and may be reported to the police.

Pizza Party Winners - Congratulations to our classes who won pizza parties for their fundraising efforts at our recent Mini Olympics. Mrs Power and I decided that it was so close between a number of classes that they all needed recognition and to share the reward. Our infants' class winners were KAD, 2TM and 2FH. These classes enjoyed their pizza party last Friday. Our primary winners were 5/6SU and 5LM. These two classes will enjoy their pizza lunch after the students return from Canberra.

Active Challenge - This is the last week for Active Challenge for this term. The program will resume next term. We will advertise the starting dates in the newsletter next term. Thank you. Mrs Sarkees.

Newsletter

PSP Funding - Earlier this year parents were asked to complete surveys in an attempt to secure more funding for our school. Thank you to all of those parents who took the time to complete and return their surveys. Unfortunately our school has not been successful in securing this funding for 2013.

Found - Jacket - A zip jacket was left at Brennan Park on Friday, 24 August. This can be claimed from the front office after suitable identification.

Years K-2 Athletics Carnival - Congratulations to Sirius for winning our 2012 Athletics Carnival. The results were:

Sirius - 2011, Supply - 163, Scarborough - 146 and Alexander - 123.

A special thank you to the following parents for their assistance with our K-2 Athletics Carnival:

Mrs Nedjada Kumalic, Mrs Andrea Saldias, Mrs Silvia Haklane, Mrs Kira Newcombe and Mrs Natalie Sajnovic.

The staff and students really appreciated your efforts. Thank you. Miss Vella.

Sports/Group Photos - These photos are now displayed on the office windows. If you wish to place an order for any photos please complete an envelope (available at the office). Place payment (either cash or cheque made payable to The School Photographer) in the envelope, fill in the required information and return to the school **before 17 September 2012**. Credit card payments can be made online through the website (www.theschoolphotographer.com.au). You will still need to complete an envelope and **place your order number on the envelope** and return to school.

The photos are \$14 each, 2 for \$26, 3 for \$36, 4 for \$44 or 5 for \$50. Any additional orders over 5 photographs are \$10 each. This discount is only available per family order. Maxi sized photos which are A3 in size are \$20 each (e.g. whole school).

Please note that late orders will attract an additional fee. Any questions please contact the office.

Values Education - The value for Week 8 is Kindness. Kindness is treating others as we would have them treat us. It is extending ourselves for the well-being of others. Kindness is being sensitive to the needs of others, showing concern, understanding them and sharing ourselves with them from a full heart. Through kindness we express our connectedness with others by caring and sharing. Please discuss with your child/children what they learnt about kindness and encourage them to practise it. Mrs S. Kumar, Student Welfare.

Track Pants Sale - We still have some Size 6 track pants available, selling at half price. Get yours now! There will be **no refunds or exchanges** given and **no** Student Assistance funds will be available for these purchases.

The new style track pants with straight legs will be available for purchase from March 2013 at a cost of \$25.

PSSA Results - Finals

Team	Results		Player of the Match
	W/L/D	Score	<i>No player of the match for the Finals.</i>
Year 3 Netball	L	2-10	
Year 5 Netball	W	10-8	
Year 6 Netball	W	19-10	
Year 5 Boys Soccer	W	1-0	
Years 3-6 Girls Soccer	L	0-1	
Years 5/6 Boys Basketball	W	39-34	

Have a great week!

Jason Corcoran
Principal



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Triple P

Positive Parenting Program

Triple P is an 8 week parenting program designed to help parents improve their parenting skills and build positive relationships with their children.

Topics include:

- What is positive parenting?
- Helping children develop
- Managing misbehaviour
- Planning for difficult situations



Important Details

When: Every Friday (10AM - 12PM)
(Start Date: 19th October 2012)

Where: 625 Cabramatta Road, Cabramatta West.



To register your interest or for more information, please contact CatholicCare on (02) 9822 9855. This program can be accessed by all families who have children 0-12 years old.

We offer limited transport and child care services for a small donation:
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