Principal’s Message

OUTDOOR LEARNING STRUCTURE
The outdoor learning structure was constructed during the recent holidays and no doubt will be a ‘well-used’ fixture in our school, once seating has been purchased. I am currently negotiating prices with suppliers of aluminium outdoor settings to accommodate a full class within the structure.

Patterned panels will also be installed either side of the water tank to screen passing traffic.

BASKETBALL GALA DAY
Last Friday, I had the pleasure of taking 10 enthusiastic Stage 3 students to represent our school at a District Basketball Gala Day. The mixed team won 4 out of 5 games and progressively improved and gelled, as a team as the day went on. Congratulations!

I thank the parents who assisted on the bench as well as with transport.

HAWKESBURY DANCE FESTIVAL
This Wednesday evening our dance group will be performing at the Hawkesbury Dance Festival. There will be approximately 800 students from 25 schools across the Hawkesbury, performing over the two nights of the festival.

I’m sure the girls will enjoy the experience and I thank Miss Zammit for her choreography and dedication to the group.

Important Information

COFFEE CLUB
Within the next few weeks I will be sending out an invitation for parents to attend a ‘coffee club’.
This initiative is intended to develop positive relationships within the school in an informal context through open discussions about school curriculum, technology information sessions or simply any topic of interest. The first session will have no specific agenda other than to gauge interest from those who attend.

The sessions will be held from 2.15pm on a date to be determined.

PUSHCART CHALLENGE
Entry forms were sent out for this annual event last term, with the closing date being 30th October.
At present I have only received 2 entries.
I encourage as many participants as possible and remind you that parents are also welcome to participate in the ‘family’ category.
Ask at the office if you need a new application form.
The challenge will be held on Friday 13th November.

ENROLMENTS
At this time of year I commence processing anticipated enrolments for the upcoming year. I would greatly appreciate you informing myself or office staff if you will be leaving our school community at the end of this year.
Student numbers have significant implications to the overall management of the school.
Congratulations to the following students who received STARR awards.

**KZ**  
Elizabeth Baldwin      Lachlan Reeves      Rose Baldwin      Poppy Spies  
Chris Chen      Brianna West      Hudson Kennedy      Ruby Oaklands

**K-1F**  
Laila Arab      Charlotte Jones      Cailin McHenry      Grace McHenry  
Elise Radunz      Hannah Shamoun      Hayden Shamoun      Peyton Shipley  
Tommy Clark      Shelby Stanyer      Madeleine Macdonald      Anna Pugliese  
Brody Taylor      Lily Paraha      Swayzee Kennedy

**1-2M**  
Talia Frost      Chloe Pike      Corbin Shearer      Ruby Bugeja      Mikayla Layt  
Daisy Spies      Grace Vredegoor      Jesse Blume      Mason Ashford  
Elizabeth Zouait      Ryan Callaghan

**2G**  
Ruby Bloom      Stephen Radunz      Eden Bugeja      Dominic Shamoun  
Lilly Callaghan      Braxton Shearer      Cassidy Grima      Jack Stubbs  
Peri Kane      Lily Spies      Seth West

**2-3V**  
Jackson King      Amelia Temlett      Lucas McIlrick      Bailey Jones  
Noah Krix      Aleeya Warrington      Maxine Suela      Jamayne Spence

**3-4T**  
Shania Gray      Preston Kennedy      Kendra Shuttleworth      Gemma King  
Makaelah Simmons      Ethan Lewry      Riley Taylor      Jessica Tuinuia  
Jacob Kent      Iris Miller      Charlotte Collier-Mitchell      Bailey Chapman

**4-5C**  
Oliver Macdonald      Ella Paraha      Taylah Reeves      Jordan Tolmie  
Xavier Shuttleworth      Paige Hottwagner      Jett Merryweather  
Emily Shamoun      Lana Stark      McKeeley Whitmore

**6B**  
Sarah Dorahy      Katrina Maher      Alexi Suela      Lachlan Morgan
AROUND THE SCHOOL

beach disco
AROUND THE SCHOOL

obstacle-a-thon
WPS P&C News

Obstacle-a-thon
Thank you to all those that have brought in their sponsorship money already and just a reminder for those that still need to return theirs it would be appreciated if you could bring it into the office this week so we can finalise the prize for the most money raised.

Please note all P & C related events need to be paid for by cash or cheque as we do not have EFTPOS facilities available. Thank you.

Bunnings BBQ
THIS SUNDAY OCTOBER 18TH.

Here is a chance to combine your love of wandering the aisles of Bunnings with helping out the school!

We are very grateful to all those that have already said they can help out on the day, however we still need more help—we need a roster of cooks and/or sellers for the day! If you can spare a few hours on Sunday please return the volunteer request note that was sent home last week to the office ASAP. Sally will be contacting you shortly with the roster times. Thank you.

Where is the money going?
One of this year’s P & C fundraising objectives was an Outdoor Learning Area and thanks to the generous support of the school community, construction began during the School holidays. Next time you have the chance, please pop in and have a look — it is always satisfying to be able to see what our fundraising efforts are achieving!

Disco
The Disco at the end of last terms was a fun night for all.

We would like to send out a BIG THANKYOU to all our teachers and volunteers that helped make it a great night — we could not do it without you.

War Cry
The winners of our War Cry competition will be announced shortly. Thank you to all those the entered. There were some fabulous entries and we enjoyed reading them all.

The P&C is grateful for the continued support of our families, friends and sponsors — Thank you!

Upcoming Events

◆ Bunnings BBQ - Sunday October 18th
◆ P & C General Meeting - Monday 2nd November at 7pm in the Staffroom.
◆ Special Lunch day - Wednesday November 18th.

Clothing Pool

The Clothing Pool is located in the P&C room off the Hall. We currently have plenty of stock at great prices, however we are always more than happy to accept your support & donations—particularly in larger sizes!

Open Monday afternoon 2.30-2.55pm and Friday morning 8:45am-9:10am.

For other times please do not hesitate to call Lisa on 0403 015 423 or Kylie on 0416 274 804, who would be happy to assist you.

*Change room area now available*
WPS P&C Fundraising

Why is the P&C always Fundraising?  
What is it for?

The money raised by the P&C allows our school to purchase things which are not paid for by the government, such as air-conditioning, playground and landscaping improvements, and additional learning resources.

In 2014, we provided $900 for classroom equipment, $8316 for playground upgrades, $6542 for classroom air-conditioning and $882 for end-of-year prizes.

In 2015 we are aiming to raise $15000 for an outdoor learning area and $9000 for classroom technology

Help us reach our target!

- Summer Beach Disco $9026
- Obstacle a thon $8103
- Father's Day Stall $3264
- Entertainment Books $3234
- Clothing Pool (Term 1 & 2) $3130
- Mother's Day Stall $2899
- Easter Raile & Refreshments $2206
- 80's Disco $1136
KINDERGARTEN 2016
Enrolment forms for kindergarten students are available from the school office.
If there is a sibling already at the school these can be printed off with all relevant information.

SPORT/SPECIAL GROUP PHOTOS
Sport and special group photos will be taken this Friday. The photos will be returned to school and be on display at a later date. You will be able to order these photos at the office.

BOOK CLUB
The last day for payment of Issue 7 book club is 19th October, 2015

The school office cannot accept eftpos payment for Book Club

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER
The year 6 farewell committee will be selling ice blocks every Friday until the end of the year. Ice blocks will cost $1. each.

ARTWORK FUNDRAISER
Final date for orders for “Crazy Camel” artwork, where each student produces their own unique piece of art, will be Friday 30th October.

FINAL DATES FOR PAYMENT
The Yr5-6 Canberra excursion final date for payment is 28th October, but instalments can be made anytime up till this date

**Reminder to pay any outstanding workbook and sports field fees
Payment envelopes are included with excursion notes for your convenience

Payments can be made by cheque, cash, and eftpos.
Please be aware that the school office cannot accept eftpos or credit card payments for Book Club or any P&C raffle, disco etc
Around the Classroom.....

K/1F enjoying Buddy Reading with GB
On Thursday 15th October, Scholastic Book Club is sending us a “Buy One, Get One Free” book offer. The books will be on sale from 8.30 – 9.00 in the mornings and from 3.00 – 3.30 in the afternoons for a period of one week.

These books would make an ideal Christmas gift.

If you wish, you may like to:
“Buy One and Donate One” to our School Library
“Buy Two and Donate One and Keep One”, it is up to you.

There will be no stationery items for sale and no orders will be taken (once a book is out of stock no more will be ordered)

Thank you for your anticipated support

Mr Graham
Librarian
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We would like to thank both these local businesses for their generous support and donations throughout the year with our fundraising and school events. Please show them your support by giving them your patronage.

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Parenting Ideas  By Michael Grose

Exploring the New Frontier in Parenting – Emotions

It’s official!

Emotions are now part of the parenting and educational mainstream!

For some time they’ve been relegated as a sideshow to the main events of discipline, confidence building, character building, and lately, resilience.

Not now.

The recently released movie Inside Out gives life to emotions in a fun, accessible way. It’s a wonderful demonstration of why we must put emotional intelligence front and centre in our parenting and teaching. The quickest pathway to happiness and success is the acceptance and recognition of feelings.

Current day muse Dr. Marc Brackett, Director of the Yale Centre for Emotional Intelligence is more expansive. He says, “Emotions matter as they drive learning, decision-making, creativity, relationships, and health.”

This is not to say that we ignore children’s poor behaviour, neglect to set limits or not ask anything of them when they’ve experienced hardship at school. Accepting and recognising emotions is an added layer in our interactions with kids, which may well be the missing link in building cooperation, connection and resilience.

So where do we start? Here are five ideas to help you explore the alien landscape of kids’ emotions, the new frontier of parenting:

1. **Listen first**  When your child fusses and fumes about some wrong-doing or hurt they’ve experienced clear your mind and listen. Avoid trying to fix the situation just show understanding and compassion. There is no better feeling than being understood.

2. **Contain rather than manage (let your kids do the managing)**  Children’s behaviour can become tangled up in upsets and disappointments. It’s hard to separate their behaviour from their feelings. Sometimes as a loving, caring adult you just have to soak up their feelings, and give them the time and space to soothe their own souls. We don’t have to do that for them.

3. **Know that emotions can be pleasant and unpleasant**  We often place value judgements on emotions by saying some emotions are good or positive (happy, motivated, energised) while some are bad or negative (sad, worried, sullen). Avoid passing judgement in such ways. Recognise that emotions are pleasant or unpleasant and that all emotions are acceptable, whereas some behaviours (such as hurting someone when you are angry) are unacceptable.

4. **Build a vocabulary around emotions**  Just as feelings have names, there are terms for the emotional intelligent parenting method. For instance, I-messages* are a type of communication used by parents and adults who take an emotions-first approach.

5. **Help your kids recognise, then regulate emotions.**  Ever told a child to calm down only to see their emotions escalate? Kids, like adults, need to recognise their feelings before they can regulate their emotional state, and that’s not easy. Emotional recognition is a complex process that takes practice. Even when we are good at it we don’t always get it right. Learning to recognise your feelings is a continuous process that’s best started when young, before the ups and downs of adolescence becomes a reality.

Emotional intelligence is best learned when it becomes part of your family’s culture, or way of doing things. When it becomes part of your family’s DNA then emotional intelligence will be passed down from generation to generation. You’ll know it’s had generational impact when your children identify you as the person who trained them in the skills of emotional intelligence. How cool is that!
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