From the Principal

I am sure there were lots of sleepy and tired children who arrived home yesterday [Wednesday] from camp. What glorious weather we had! It was great to get away with the children and see them in a different environment. This always gives the adults who are with them something to smile about. Camp, or any excursions for that matter, always gives children a way to develop their independence. They become resourceful and start developing organisational skills that are so important later in life. If there are any clothes that have turned up in bags that do not belong to your house, please return them to school and we will attempt to find an owner for them. Children packed up yesterday as best they could, but you could well imagine the state of some of the tents!! Hopefully names were on any of lost items.

Overall, the kids were great to take away. There were no problems or dramas or behaviour issues. They were real troopers. On the Tuesday night there was even some new talents exposed. Our Skits Night had everything from comedy, drama, gymnastics, magic and impromptu theatre.

A huge, huge thank you must go to Michelle and Graham for the catering while on camp. Children seemed to be eating all the time with lots of options of what to eat.

An enormous thank you must go to Tony Bussell also for helping to get us and all our gear to Woody Heads. Tony did 2 trips to help us out, set up the shade tarps and helped with some tents.

He brought the big gear and was a great general hand in setting us up. Thank you Tony, we appreciate your time.

There are some pictures from camp on this newsletter, many still of course on the schools fileserver that children will access.

iPads in school

Our school now has ipads! Our children in 2014 are 21st century learners. They interact and earn with technology. iPads in schools are not just “games” that merely entertain. Teachers have a wide range of apps they can use to reinforce and supplement any learning from class instruction. There are some good quality apps around. Ms Pine has been setting up the ipads ready to use for all classrooms. She has a good understanding of what apps work and which ones are not quite so worthwhile. Teachers will be able to select which apps different classes can access and what the children can’t access. This is not just let the children sit and play whatever games they wish.

If you would like have a time and would like to see the sorts of educational apps the children use, we can organise an ipad afternoon for parents. Please let us know if you are interested. We believe they will become a great way to engage children in their learning that complements all the other styles of learning that happens here at school.
Our new office system is evolving
I am sure all our community understand there is a new management system in the
school. On Monday Mrs Gifford and myself will be going to another day to make sense
of it all. It is slowly coming together and again we appreciate your patience with it as
you come in to the office at various times

Claiming the Date:
The school Major Production Showcase will be on Tuesday August 5th. It will be a
whole school production with all classes featured in the one item. Rehearsals have
started!

Bounce Back – Put a blame or reason on an event fairly – ask why did it really hap-
pen?

Apology: Last week I printed that Brodie Hawke-Parsons had been the only child to go
to Zone Cross Country from CPS for several years. Angel Faint of course had gone to
Zone cross country in 2012 and 2013. Sorry Angel!

Until next week, keep happy and healthy,

Chat time……
Please feel free to contact the office to arrange a suitable
time to chat about any concerns or questions you may
have, or if more convenient please email me at: jane.cottee@det.nsw.edu.au

Bryon Bay Excursion
K-2
Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 are going to Bryon Bay Headland Reserve
to see if they can spot some whales.

Students will participate in two work-
shops on the day.

Dolphin Dreaming and Whale Secrets
Date: Thursday 19th June 2014
Cost:$25.00 per student

Bus departs at 8:45am and returns at
4:30pm

Students need to be in full school
uniform including jackets/jumpers/
hats of navy blue/black and covered
shoes or they cannot attend on the
day.

All notes and money needs to be in at
the front office by Friday 13th June
2014.

Gubi Awards

Craig Cowan 60
Jazmyn Essex 60
Billy Jack Kapeen 90
Jackson Clark 70
Jaxon Olive 120
Joshua Stewart 60
Jessica Lindsay 80
Chevy Jeffery-Petagna 30
Peeches Wilson 40
Chanelle Daley 40
Helpful Hints

Too sick for school?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It's often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser: www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Crunch & Sip
Gives students the opportunity to eat the fruit or vegetables you pack that might otherwise be left in their lunchbox. It ensures students have at least one serve of fruit or vegetables a day and can help increase their total intake. So be sure to pack something for Crunch & Sip everyday! Send along a paper napkin or sheet of paper towel if your child’s Crunch Sip is messy or juicy.

Soft drinks, cordials, sports drinks and flavoured mineral waters contain up to 6 teaspoons of sugar in every 250ml glass. Plain tap water is the best thirst quencher and the only drink permitted for Crunch & Sip.

School Banking Reward Redemption

Congratulations to the following students who have earned 10 silver Dollarmites tokens through the School Banking program and are now ready or have already redeemed these tokens for a fantastic reward item.

- Harry Wilson
- Sam Wilson
- Hunter Stevens
- Jackson Clark

If you haven’t already, please complete your reward card coupon and return it, along with your 10 tokens, on the next School Banking day and the item will be ordered for you.

School Banking Day is every Thursday
Here are some beach activity photo's from the 3-6 Woody Head Excursion