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ENDEAVOUR LOG - TERM 1 WEEK 5 - February 26, 2009

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS - A note was distributed last week about parent/teacher interviews for each class (Year 1 - 6). Kindergarten interviews will commence in three weeks. The interview process will commence next week and will run for a fortnight. Teachers are available for a variety of different times during this period. Please return these forms as quickly as possible so that you can receive a time that is suitable for you.

These interviews are an excellent way for parents to find out how your children have settled into the new school year and how you can work with your child's teacher to ensure a successful year. I look forward to seeing all parents at these interviews.

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES ON OUR TARGET COMMITTEES - I would like to thank the following parents for giving up their time to be on the following committees in 2009. Your participation on these committees is greatly valued.

LITERACY - Mrs Buccini

STUDENT WELFARE - Mrs Borazio

NUMERACY - Mrs Connell

SCHOOL PROMOTION/ENVIRONMENT - Mrs Young

These committees meet twice a term usually on a Wednesday afternoon.

MESSAGE TO YEAR 6 PARENTS - The process for selecting a High School for 2010 has commenced already this year. In the LOG you will have seen many advertisements for High School orientation evenings. Your children also received separate flyers from some High Schools. Please take the time to attend these evenings so that you can become familiar with the High School of your choice. Remember that most parents apply for out of area placement for their children. High schools do not take all out of area applications as there are always more applications than places. First preference is always given to students who live within the enrolment boundaries for the school.

Our local High Schools are Blacktown Boys and Blacktown Girls. Both of these schools have enhanced their reputations in recent years and I encourage you to attend their Orientation evenings. Parents of Year 5 students are also quite welcome to attend these sessions. In 2008, Crestwood High School accepted the most 'Out of Area' students from our school.

Application forms for High School will be sent home to Year 6 students in March. If you need more advice please feel free to contact your child's class teacher, myself or Mrs. Maiden.

EDUCATION TAX REFUND - Later in the LOG is some information provided by the Australian Tax Office regarding an Education Tax Refund. Please read this information as it may benefit you.

DELIVERY OF THE LOG - There has been some confusion regarding the LOG over the last few weeks. People have been changing their mind about whether they wish to receive a LOG as a hard copy or by accessing our website. Until this situation has been resolved all families will receive a hard copy of the LOG. The LOG will still be available on our website as well during this time.

BAND PROGRAM FOR 2009 - The school concert band program for 2009 has commenced and each group is working hard at rehearsals each week. The Band Camp will be on again this year and will be held during Term 2.

Our Band members for 2009 are as follows:

Jnr Band

Taylor Bourke
Abbey Brookhouse
Brittany Brown
Claudia Buccini
Ashley Calvar
Nicholas Campagner
Jason Chui
Chloe Faccin
Ashley Fernandez
Nicholas Ferraro
Claudia Fontana
Karlene Govender
Lauren Leaver
Renay McKenzie
Connor McMillan

Fernan Medina
Lachlan Moffat
Hannah Nicholls
Thomas O'Reilly
Andrew Pappas
Tyson Smith
Benjamin Tait
Robert Thomas
Heather Tleige
Emily White
Kristin Wilson
Lilian Wong
Lydia Yang
Aisling Young
Noah Young

Int. Band

Lachlan Anderson
Sarah Attard
Georgia Burgess
Joshua Calvar
Leah Church
Joseph Connell
Irene Dossan
Erin Farmer
Amy France
Dylan Gillies
Tylor Inigo
Helen Jung

Jarrood Lofts
Emily Marshall
Brianna McCarthy
Katrina Pinn
Ashleigh Portlock
Matthew Roseby
Harneet Singh
Kate Taylor
Hayley Taylor
Walther Wegmann
Ashleigh White
Cassidy Williams

Snr Band

Emma De Zilva
Daniel Schmoll
Tanya Shukla
Liam Baker
Kirrily Cheal
Lachlan Clark
Angus Corbett
Janelle De Zilva
Brendan Farmer
Liam Gillies
Zachary Hale
Stephanie Hall
Brooke Joyner
Alycia McCarthy
Lachlan McKay
Amy Mills
James Morgan
Caitlyn Rambukwella
Sarah Thomas

WORKBOOKS / P&C DONATIONS - Thank you to all the parents who have made these payments. The response in 2009 has been very pleasing. Our school certainly appreciates your prompt payment. However, there is still money outstanding, especially for workbooks. The workbooks have to be paid for by the end of March. Due to the fact that we do not have all textbooks paid for, the school will have to use some of our own funding. This funding is normally used for a variety of things including classroom resources, paper, school maintenance and furniture.

Phil Walker,
Principal

STUDENT WELFARE
CODE OF CONDUCT

Our lessons will be:
'Play safely and consider the safety of others'

PLAYGROUND AWARDS

Congratulations to all the students who received a 'Caught you Being Good' ticket for their good behaviour in the playground last week.

The winners of the draw this week were:

Cyrus Vogel 1L Vaughan Dorahy 3M
Matthew Hamilton 1M Bella Laurence 2S
Olivia Butler KC

ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following students:

Uniform award - 5 Crystal
Assembly award - 3 Gold

R. Maiden
Deputy Principal

SRC - The following students have been elected SRC representatives for their class:

Semester 1

Cheridan Burgess 6M	Carissa Hickman 3D
Sam Ross 6R	Isabella Corbett 3G
Christine Brooks 6S	Ryan Werner 3M
jack Stewart 5S	Lilian Wong 2/3C
Ashleigh Simpson 5C	Andrew Calvert 2O
Jarrood Moon 5T	Lara Manning 2L
Sarah Press 4/5O	Liam Agius 2R
Nicholas Tepsic 4A	Conor Atkins 2S
Hailee Jarrett 4D	
Sam Davis 4F	

Semester 2

Michael Chalmers 6M	Connor McMillan 3D
Sarah Jenkinson 6R	Benjamin Tait 3G
Jackson Austin 6S	Lenna Karadjov 3M
Paris Jeffrey 5S	Luke Sommerton 2/3C
jack Gostevsky 5C	Amber cooper 2O
Reba Maxwell 5T	Rowan Cheal 2L
Sarah Roznicki 4/5O	Stacie Jarrett 2R
Abbey Brookhouse 4A	Hannah Callaghan 2S
Ryan Chapman 4D	
Ashleigh Portlock 4F	

The election of the office bearers for Semester 1 was held at the first meeting of the SRC on Friday February 20, 2009. Congratulations to the following students:

President: Demi McFarlane

Vice-President: Daniel Pesavento

Secretary: Bodeen Jackson

Treasurers: Kayla Moon and Michael Habek

Publicity Officers: James Morgan and Daniel Schmolll

We look forward to working with the new SRC in 2009.

Mrs. O'Shea & Mrs Maiden

SCHOOLS CLEAN UP DAY - FRIDAY FEBRUARY 27 - Tomorrow is Schools Clean Up Day and is the day set aside for the students of KLPS to clean up their school. Each year level will be responsible for a particular area of the playground and teachers will take their class out at a convenient time during the day. Students are asked to bring **GLOVES** and a **BAG** to place rubbish in. Thank you for your support.

Environment Committee

Mrs Carpenter would appreciate any donations of magna doodles that are in good working order that your child has outgrown. They will be greatly appreciated by Kindergarten to help with their writing practice. If any families have any puzzles (complete) that they have outgrown, suitable for 5-7 year olds, Kindergarten would also put these to good use.

*Many thanks,
Mrs Carpenter*

FAMILY PORTRAIT DAY - SUNDAY APRIL 5, 2009 - Looking for the perfect gift for Mother's Day? The P&C have organised Advanced Life Photography to come to KLPS on Sunday April 5 to enable you to have a family portrait taken. Each family participating will receive a studio quality 10" x 13" (243 x 330mm) colour or black and white portrait, in a frame with a glass covering as well as a key ring with family portrait inside for \$20.00. The full \$20.00 from each family will go towards resources and equipment as outlined in the School's Wish List covered at the last P&C meeting. You will also have the option to purchase from various packages being offered. If you are interested and wish to secure a booking, please return the form which has been distributed to students today, together with your \$20.00, to Julia Calvet who will be on duty at the front gate Monday March 2 - Friday March 6 from 8.30am - 9am.

KEHA KANDLES party plans now available. Extensive range of hand poured candles. Great host incentives. **Call Leah on 0417 443 115 to arrange a party.**

Many of you had the privilege of hearing our wonderful recorder ensemble and choirs last year. They have been practising very hard over the holidays and this term and have now been selected to perform at the Opera House and The Hills Centre. The expenses for these ventures are quite steep so, as a school, we are going to hold a mufti day next Wednesday March 4, 2009. The theme for the day will be your favourite football team's colours to coincide with the beginning of the Football season and the cost will be a gold coin. Please remember you will need your hat to play and covered shoes.

Thank you everyone for your support,
Cheryl Walker

ZONE / DISTRICT SPORT TRIALS - INFORMATION FOR PARENTS - KLPS is a member of the Seven Hills Primary School Sport Association Zone (PSSA). We then combine with the Wentworthville PSSA to make a combined Zone for representation at the Sydney West Regional or Area level. If selected in a Sydney West team / sport we then compete at a State / NSW level then National etc.

Trials are held for most of the major sports as well as the usual carnivals from Swimming, Cross-Country, Running and Athletics. Zone coaches will conduct trials for their sports and we are allowed to send our best 2 or 3 players to these trials. Being a large school, this can sometimes be a difficult task as we have a lot of talent to choose from. The process our school follows is:

The school coaches/teachers confer with Mr Cole, who arranges for an information note to be sent to parents of selected children. If the child is willing and able to attend the trial, their names are sent to the appropriate Zone Coach.

If there are trials for sports we do not play on a weekly basis, such as Rugby Union, Rugby League, Hockey, Tennis, Table Tennis etc then interested children are invited to show their interest and any available information is passed on to them.

Trials will **usually** only involve children in the senior grades Year 5 and 6.

If parents have a particular question regarding zone selection, sport in general or if your child has a talent in a sport you would like us to be aware of, please contact Mr Cole at school.

D. Cole

SUMMER PSSA has not started yet due to the wet weather. Hopefully we can start the games this week. Children meet coaches at 8.55am on the Basketball Court.

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL - Well done to all the swimmers at the school carnival at Blacktown Aquatic Centre. The Zone Swimming Carnival will be held at Blacktown Pool on Tuesday March 10, 2009. The KLPS Swimming Squad is listed below:

Abbey Brookhouse	Kyle Greer	Ashlee Obluda
Olivia Calvert	James Hooke	Bethany Parker
Nicholas Campagner	Katya Ignacz	Cameron Pesavento
Chloe Chang	Jayden Jay	Joshua Potter
Isobel Church	Anna Laroumanie	Dylan Pride
Leah Church	Caelie Longworth	Matthew Roseby
Jace Cooper	Mitchell Manning	Corey Russell
Allana Croft	Reece Manning	Harneet Singh
Tayla Croft	Demi McFarlane	Luke Sommerton
Samuel Davis	Amy-Jane McKenzie	Jack Stewart
Isabella Fitzpatrick	Joshua McMahon	Ashley Wells
Julia Fyvie	Fernan Medina	Cassidy Williams
Victoria Gedny	Patrick O'Reilly	Shannon Williams
Brontie Geist	Eryn O'Sullivan	Ashlee Wills
Jack Gostevsky		

Good luck to all swimmers in their races.

THE EDUCATION TAX REFUND - GET 50% BACK

Under the new Education Tax Refund, parents and others who are eligible can now claim 50% of their eligible education expenses up to \$750 for primary students and \$1500 for secondary students.

This means you could receive a refund each year of up to \$375 for each primary and \$750 for each secondary school student in your care.

Are you eligible? To be eligible you must have received Family Tax Benefit part A for each child whose education expenses you wish to claim. You can also claim the education Tax Refund if you were stopped from receiving Family Tax Benefit part A because your child received any of the following:

- Youth Allowance (student) aged 18
- Disability Support Pension
- ABSTUDY
- the Veterans' Children Education Scheme
- The /Student Financial Supplement Scheme
- A scheme under S258 of the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004
- An Australian Postgraduate Award

Independent students are also eligible to claim.

What can you claim? You can claim the purchase, lease, hire of hire-purchase costs, repairs and running costs of:

- Laptops, home computers and associated costs - eg internet and paper
- Educational software, printers, USB flash drives, disability aids to assist in the use of computer equipment for students with special needs.
- Stationery and art supplies.
- School textbooks and associated learning materials.
- Trade tools and safety equipment for secondary school trade courses.

Some expenses you cannot claim include school fees or the cost of school uniforms, school excursions or travel to and from school, musical instruments or sporting equipment, clothing or footwear. For a more comprehensive list visit www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au

When can you claim? You can claim your education expenses in your 2009 tax return. If you do not have to lodge a tax return, you will be able to lodge a separate claim with the Tax Office from July 1, 2009.

Remember, you need to keep all receipt for expenses you claim.

If your education expenses in one year are more than the claim limit for your children, you can add the excess to your education expenses for the following year.

For more information:

visit www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au

phone the Tax Office on 13 28 61

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THIS SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 28

10am - 2pm

For more information contact

Alicia on 0409 036 210 or

Brian on 0406 132 221

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All new players to the Parramatta district will require
their original Birth Certificate

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