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‘WORKING TOGETHER’

NEWSLETTER

2015 Term 3 Week 3

TERM 3 IMPORTANT DATES

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| Monday 27 th July | Education Week |
| Tuesday 28 th July | K-2 Gruffalo Excursion |
| Thursday 30 th July | Assembly, 2pm |
| Thursday 27 th August | <i>“Lights, Camera, Action!”</i> School Performance |

Dear parents, carers, students and community members,

Congratulations to all our students who participated at the District School’s Sports Carnival. Once again our students showed great confidence and great effort in each event they participated in. We will inform you of all students who will be representing our school in Canberra at the Regional Sports Carnival in the next Newsletter.

Last week I was informed that Selena Bosevski would represent our school at the Suburu State Golf Championship. I am pleased to inform you that Selena has qualified by hitting under 100 for the Junior Gold Championship that will be held in September. Selena also came 5th on the weekend in the Stableford combined Mens/Womens competition. Well done, Selena. The whole school is proud of you.

Clubs recommenced last Thursday with great enthusiasm from both the students and the staff.

By now all students have thought about and been involved in **Goal Setting** for this semester. Each student will bring home a copy of their individualised learning goals. Please encourage your son or daughter to discuss their goals and the positive habits of the mind and the strategies they will need to achieve each goal. These goals will reflect on the **5 Keys to Success**: confidence, persistence, resilience, getting along and organisation.

Mrs Denise Broomham

Relieving Principal

Lights, Camera, Action! – School performance tickets

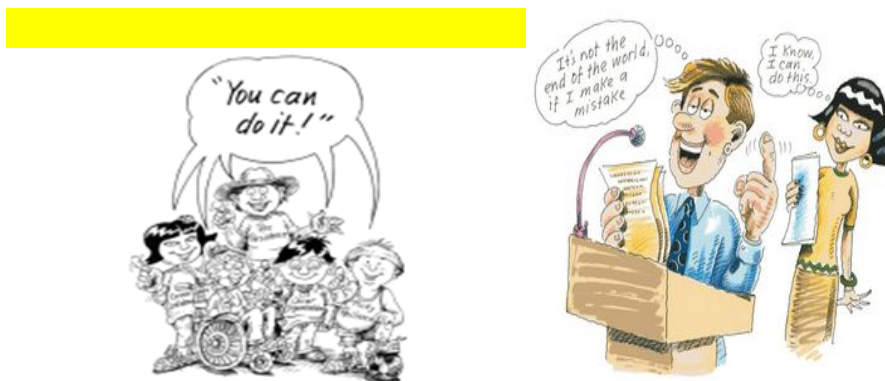
The school performance *Lights, Camera, Action!* will take place on the evening of the 27th August from 6.00 to 7.30 pm. All students K-6 will perform musical items with their class and possibly in other groups such as the School Choir.

Lights, Camera, Action! is a fundraising event. Our aim is to raise funds to improve the school hall, beginning with the purchasing of stage curtains.

Tickets are \$5 each. They can be purchased from the Office from this Wednesday each morning between 8.30 and 9.00 am only. Parents, carers or students must come to the office window to buy their tickets which will be numbered with the seat number. Tickets will be issued straight away. Tickets will not be sold at other times, and students should not place money envelopes in the office letter box.

For the first two weeks, tickets will be limited to 4 per family to ensure all families have the opportunity to purchase them.

YOU CAN DO IT



This semester, your child will focus on **CONFIDENCE AND RESILIENCE**.

*Confidence
is Key*

CONFIDENCE requires that young people are not overly concerned with what others think if they make a mistake. Confidence is revealed when students are not afraid to fail and are happy to meet someone new. Confidence involves a student having trust in themselves and believing that he/she will probably be successful in the end. Confident young people stand up straight, look people in the eye, and speak clearly and with a firm tone of voice.

The **POSITIVE HABIT OF THE MIND** for this week is **'Being Independent'**.

Being Independent means trying new activities, working by yourself when the teacher is helping someone else, working with initiative and being able to speak up and not being afraid to express an opinion. All people have choices in the way they think about their work, themselves and other people. There are two different types of self-talk: 'negative self-talk' and 'positive self-talk'. Examples of positive self-talk and being independent are:

'I will try first before I raise my hand to ask for help'

'I will stay on task and not be distracted by others'.

'I will stay motivated and be a problem solver'.

'I am happy when I give my best and solve my problems.'

'I will not be afraid to make decisions and express my opinion.'

'My opinion is important but I will listen to others to make informed decisions'

'I am happy when I give my best and solve my problems.'

'My friends and family can help me to be independent'.

Park and Play

After school Park and Play is now over for primary aged students. It will now be available for pre-schoolers of 0-5 year olds on Tuesdays, 9-11.00am, commencing next Tuesday 21st July. Parents are asked to be present for the whole session.

Earn and Learn

It's back! Once again, Woolworths are holding their Earn and Learn program. Our school has registered to participate in the program and the green collection box is outside the canteen. All you have to do is collect the Earn and Learn stickers every time you shop at Woolworths and you can help earn awesome sports equipment for our school! For more information you can go to their website: www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service

Get set for school! Kids health check month- September 2015. For 3-5 year olds who will be transitioning into 'big' school in 2016. Bring your child in for a healthy kids check during the month of September and get them set for school. Complete the health check and receive a free school readiness gift pack, plus go in the draw to win fantastic prizes! Go to the Aboriginal Medical Service in Wollongong or dapto throughout September. Wollongong- 4229 9495/ Dapto- 4262 8777



**JOIN THE
FUN OF LITTLE
ATHLETICS**

Registrations for Lake Illawarra's 2015-2016 Season will be taking place every Sunday during August between 1pm and 3pm at the Myimbarr Community Park.

Present this ad to receive 10% off your registration cost

**Valid for 1st Child only, not valid for online registrations*

For more information contact

**lilac@hotmail.com.au or
visit www.lilac.net.au**

Celebrate Attendance

Hints and Tips No 1: Responsibilities



Parent/s or caregivers are required – by law – to provide a written or verbal explanation to the Principal within seven days of any absence as to why their child was not at school.

It is important that the school receives a written or verbal explanation because:

- (1) It is a parent's legal obligation to explain their child's absence within seven days
- (2) It is a requirement that the school investigate all unexplained absences
- (3) It avoids the school and the School Attendance Officer from making unnecessary investigations
- (4) It is the way the school knows that your child was legitimately absent and not truanting from school

If you have any difficulties in providing a written explanation for your child's absence, please contact your school principal.