Karangi News

From The Principal

Welcome back to our year 5 and year 6 students who attended the Orara Valley Excursion to Canberra this week. I have been enthusiastically informed that they had a great time. Thank you to all students for your great behaviour, cooperation and responsibility on the trip. A big thank you to all the Orara Valley teachers who attended and voluntarily gave up family and home time to provide a safe and engaging opportunity for all students. Thank you to Miss Callagher and Eliot for your commitment to our students on the excursion! We are looking forward to sharing photos and memorable moments in next week’s newsletter.

I would like to thank Emma Davies for her commitment to Ethics Classes, voluntarily teaching our Stage 2 (year 3/4). Emma is unable to continue in this role and replacement volunteer teachers are being trained to enable this to continue.

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) Year 5 and 6 Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. The school will forward this refund onto the families of students who attended the excursion, once we receive the funds in school.

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Second Kindergarten Orientation Day
We will be having our second Kindergarten Orientation Day on Monday 19th October at 11:30am. The children will be dropped at school and will participate in environmental activities and games with Ms Hart and Mrs Phillips. Year 5 Buddies will also work with our 2016 kindies. Parents can return at 1pm to collect their child.

PSSA State Athletics Carnival
Congratulations to Ruby Pade who is officially the 35th fastest 9 Year Old Girl within NSW Public Schools over 100m!

Orara Valley Tennis Tournament
The Orara Valley Tennis Tournament, as organised by Mr Allan Pade, will be held on Friday 23rd October. This tournament has been running since 1998.

Details:
Where: West Side Tennis Club
When: Friday 23rd October
Who: All students 8 years and above are welcome to attend.
Start Time: 3:30pm
Cost: $15 – includes 2 slices of pizza and 1 small slushie.
Structure: Students will be put into A, B and C Grades on the day.
Money needs to be brought to West Side Tennis Club on the day. However if students are attending could you please let Mr Macpherson know by Wednesday so he can inform Mr Allan Pade regarding catering.
K-2 Safety Excursion
On Wednesday 21st October all students from K-2 will be attending an excursion to the ambulance station, the fire station and the police station to expand our safety units being taught in PDHPE lessons. Notes were sent home earlier in the week and must be returned by Monday 19th October.

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 19th October at 6:30pm in our school library. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend!

Grandparents Day
On Friday 23rd October Karangi Public School will be holding our Grandparents Day. Grandparents are invited to come into the room at 10:00am and to stay with the students until 10:55am, where they will be invited to attend a morning tea which is being put on in their honour. It would be greatly appreciated if students could bring in a plate for this morning tea and that these plates are taken directly to the Stephanie Alexander Outdoor Kitchen and left on the silver benches when students arrive at school.

Stage 3 Excursion
Yesterday our Stage 3 students returned from the Orara Valley Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra. On the first day students visited Questacon, The National Gallery, and the new Parliament House, where they were fortunate enough to speak to our new Prime Minister, Mr Malcolm Turnbull. On the second day they went to the Old Parliament House, and visited the House of Representatives and the beautiful Senate Garden. This was followed by a trip to the National Museum and the War Memorial. A great time was had by all staff and students and personal recounts will be included in next week’s newsletter.
Bike Safety Week
Thank you to Mrs Lee and Mrs Clark who organised and ran our Bike Week activities for all students K-4 yesterday. Students did various activities including experiments involving how helmets work using an egg, learning how to ride safely on the road, a helmet design competition and a bike safety quiz. Thank you to AMART Sports for their donation of prizes through the community kickback program.

Parent Supervision of Siblings
A reminder that pre-school siblings of our students need to remain with their parents during Friday afternoon assembly in order to limit distractions to the assembly. We thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Year 2 Bus Passes
Busways requires all children to complete a new application form for free travel from students who are progressing from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2016. Busways has sent a letter and application form to all current eligible Year 2 students via the post. They have asked that you return these forms as soon as possible to the school so that they can be signed and sent back to Busways enabling the students bus passes to be processed and ready for the start of Term 1 2016.

Year 4/5 News
Class 4/5 are off to a flying start for term 4. We are busily finishing off our novel studies and the students have written some wonderful alternate endings, new blurbs for their book and created some excellent board games that incorporate all the events in their novels. I cannot wait to play some of these games. We are also busy starting to rehearse our song and next week we will begin to learn our dance for the end of year musical. Some students have also published some of our poetry from last term, I hope you enjoy!

Rain is falling during the storm all the trees getting cut down forever more.
Animals running through the night better keep quiet or you’ll get a fright
It's a beautiful sight with birds flying in great height
No houses now but wait a while soon there will be houses and tiles
For animals will be gone no baby fawn
Only houses and concrete and walking feet
Rhinos are never there but they aren’t really rare
Even during the darkest night they’ll keep coming so wrap up tight
So loud but so quiet there will never be a riot
Today it is beautiful but tomorrow will be cruesiful

By Jael

Mosquitoes
Mosquitoes, mosquitoes they love burritos,
They can kill but can’t climb a hill,
If you want the air right you have to let them have a bite,
You find them there sitting fair and square,
You’re tempted to kill it but you better not do it,
They’re ever so small and love going to the hall,
They’re so little that they can’t be seen in the pitch black night,
So make sure you don’t get a fright,
They are very deadly and they crawl very steadily,
They love the trees but dislike the breeze,
Don’t let them die or there’ll be trouble nearby,
So, give them a chance but don’t let them up your pants.

By Majella

Wolves
Wolves are deadly creatures
With very striking features
They are strong and brave and aren’t afraid
And in their minds they won’t decay
Their eyes are pure
That can trick you and lure
With such strong minds they’re simply divine
Wolves are lovely and pretty much fine.

By Arusha

Ocean
The ocean is blue
This is all true
The sea breeze is cool
As nice as the pool
The sky is very clear
So let out a cheer

By Tylani
P&C NEWS
A reminder that the P&C meeting is on Monday night at 6.30 in the school library.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden
Thank you to Jo for organising and delivering the round bale mulch for our Stephanie Alexander Gardens and thank you to Emma Davies for the donation of the round bale. Your time and assistance is greatly appreciated. Also there will be a meeting held on Monday 25th at 3:10pm in the school library for any parents wishing to participate in the Stephanie Alexander Garden or Kitchen. All welcome!

Bike Safety Week