Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

We are already more than half way through our term with lots of great things to look forward to as we enter a very busy time of the year. Today our swimming program began and this will continue for the next two weeks. We are also looking forward to our final performance for the year, Fractured Fairy Tales, on 28 November and end of year events such as Presentation Day and Year 6 Farewell.

Stage 3 Excursion
Last week I visited our Stage 3 students, parent helpers and staff at the Outdoor Education Centre, Morisset. Everyone was very excited as they were about to begin to participate in the program of activities organised by the camp team. Thank you to Mr Hamshaw, Mr Bayliss, Ms Cains and our parent helpers, Mrs Howe, Mr Jackson and Mrs Campbell for organising and giving their time so that this excursion could take place.

Remembrance Day 2014
Tomorrow the whole school will stop to commemorate Remembrance Day at 11.00am. This is an important day on the school’s calendar where we remember all those who have served and lost their lives in the First World War and in all other armed conflicts our nation has engaged in since.

P & C Meeting Reminder
The P & C meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 November at 6.30pm in the library. We look forward to seeing you there.

Classes for 2015
As mentioned last week, we are beginning the process for developing classes for 2015. The teachers have a comprehensive knowledge of the children and use this when creating class groups for next year. In some cases parents may have a knowledge about specific needs of their child that they would like to provide to the school. If you have a suggestion regarding the peer group of your child please write a note, email or make an appointment to discuss with me. Whilst we can’t guarantee the request can be accommodated we certainly can take it into account when developing the classes.

Thank you to those parents who have already written to me with their requests/ suggestions.

2015
If you are leaving the school in 2015 please let the office know so that we can accurately predict our numbers for staffing and developing our classes for 2015.

Narelle Mann
Principal

Payments Due (on or before)  Amount  Due by

Fractured Fairytales  $10  21 Nov
Kindergarten Enrolments 2015
To assist us with planning for 2015 we are now accepting expressions of interest if your child is eligible to enrol in Kindergarten in 2015. Please complete the form attached and return it to school and/or pass this information on to family and friends who have children who are eligible to start school in 2015. You could also call in at school or contact us on ph. 49811007.

Canteen Helpers
Our school canteen operates with the assistance of parent helpers. Parents can assist on a rostered basis weekly, fortnightly or monthly or just help whenever they are available. New volunteers are always needed, particularly on Wednesdays, Thursday and Fridays. If you are interested in helping in the canteen please contact the canteen on 49811007.

Stage 3 Camp
This is just day 1!!

From the Library
The Macleans book fair took sales over $3000 and the library gets $500 to spend on books with that money. Thanks for your support everyone.

Sydney warehouse Shopping Bus trip
Saturday 15th November
This bus trip is a fundraiser for Port Stephens Athletics Centre.
We are hoping to upgrade our long jump pits at an estimated cost of $30,000.00.
Your ticket cost of $65 includes:
Return bus trip, tea/coffee, yummy lunch @ The intersection tavern, & wine & nibbles on the return trip.

We will be visiting 8 outlets on the day.
Seafolly, Puma/New Balance, Victorias basement, Surf factory warehouse & K&B toy warehouse just to name a few.
There will be raffles, fun and games on the bus.
Get a head start on your xmas shopping & join us for a fun day.
*Please contact 0401319885 to book your ticket*
WE NEED FINAL NUMBERS BY THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

Hey Kids!!
Port Stephens Family Fishing Competition
February 7th - 8th 2015
The Soldiers Point Marina & Pantaenius Family Fishing Competition has been designed to involve the entire family with an emphasis on participation, spending time together and FUN."

The prizes are fantastic and you don’t even need to be a champion fisherman.

You can win $10,000 without getting a bite!!!!
(That’s one main cash prize of $5000 and 5 cash prizes of $1000)
PLUS a three night accommodation package at Flagship Villa Horizons Golf Resort
+ much much more
Junior and Senior Categories
10 Target Species - 1 prize per fish

For more information please visit
www.portstephensfishingcamp.com or call 49 827445

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