The children’s half yearly reports should be distributed tomorrow. The reports are a summary of your child’s progress. An achievement scale using the terms limited, basic, sound, high and outstanding is used. If your child receives sound then this means they’re achieving at an appropriate level at this point in time.

Mr Slater has been busy organising the Souths’ Cares excursion, for children in years 3-6, to Quirindi Public on Thursday. Permission notes need to be returned by Thursday morning. No phone calls will be made to gain verbal permission for children to attend as we are trying to promote the You Can Do It! key of Organisation.

We have had a number of parents making payments on the Sydney excursion. This excursion is open to children in years 3-6. With further fundraising the cost may be reduced but families should budget for around $400 per child or $380 if you sell a box of chocolates. The excursion has been subsidised with the P&C contributing $2000 and school funds $3000.

Excursion dates: Tuesday September 8 until Friday September 11.

Itinerary: Bondi Beach, Dudley Page Lookout, Mrs Macquarie’s Chair, Circular Quay, Opera House, walk across the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Taronga Zoo, Ferry ride, The Rocks walking tour, Sydney Eye and 4D experience, Captain Cook highlights cruise, Madame Tussaud’s Wax Museum, Darling Harbour, Paddy’s Markets and Market City, Powerhouse Museum.

Leonie Byrne.
**Points of Interest**

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**Principal’s Awards (5 Slips)**
Ella Grimshaw

**Citizenship Award (10 Slips)**
Jay Patterson; Melody Jones; Imogen Lyon; Janie Gillies; Luke Baldo; Oliver Wilson; Chloe Neilsen

**PBL Badge Award (15 Slips)**
Level ‘A’
Laura Davis; Charlette Lyon

**Medallion (25 Slips)**

**‘Adamriginal’**
A performance of ‘Adamriginal’ is being hosted by the school on Monday 20th July, 2015. Presented by Adam, an aboriginal artist who works as a professional exhibiting painter, graphic artist and cartoonist, it is an original, humorous, highly energetic programme of song, puppetry, language, personal stories and Yidaki (didgeridoo). Cost for this performance will be $4 per child. Please forward this in to your child’s class teacher by Friday, 26th June, 2015.
IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: We will continue to update & advertise these dates

Term 2

Thursday, 18th June, 2015 – Souths Cares Oral health Program Visit (QPS); Punk Rock Disco

Friday, 19th June, 2015 – Parent/Teacher Interviews – Year 5/6; NRL Visit; Teddy bears Picnic Lunch - Kindergarten

Monday, 22nd June, 2015 – Public Speaking Finals– Tamworth South Public School; Parent/ Teacher Interviews – Year 2;

            Year 1 Excursion – Walhallow Public School NAIDOC Day.

Tuesday, 23rd June, 2015 – Year 2 Hospital visit; Parent/ Teacher Interviews – Year 1

Wednesday, 24th June, 2015 - Parent/ Teacher Interviews – Year 3/4

Friday 26th June, 2015 – Athletics Carnival

Term 3

Monday, 13th July, 2015 – Staff Development Day

Tuesday, 14th July, 2015 – Students Resume

Thursday, 16th July, 2015 – P&C Meeting – 1:00 pm

Monday, 20th July, 2015 – Young Australia Workshop ‘Adamriginal’

Library

What a fantastic semester I have had working with students from across the entire school. I have loved seeing everyone each day. Next term I will be moving on to 5/6 full time so I won’t get to see them all as much. I have included some photos taken over the course of the semester.

Cheers

Chris Lyon

Donation of Boxes of Tissue

Due to the winter colds and flu season being upon us our supply of tissues is dwindling quickly. If parents could please send in one box of tissues per student to help ease the situation it would be greatly appreciated.

P and C News/Community News

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Canteen – Helpers are being called for to assist in the canteen. If you are able to assist please contact Tara Hughes on 0409 288 007.

Treasurer’s Position – The P&C are seeking interested persons to apply for the position of P&C Treasurer. If you would like further information or to apply in writing for this position please contact Ally Patterson on 0437 306 344.

Athletics Carnival Lunch Pre-Order Form – Lunch pre-order forms for the Athletics Carnival were sent home last week. Please complete and return to school, with money owing, by Friday 19th June, 2015 to enable ordering for the day to be completed by the P & C. If you need another form please contact the
Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Notification for Parents and Carers

From 2015, all Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

All Australian schools will collect data on their students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs in accordance with their obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005. This data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the education needs of students with disability.

The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education and Communities is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.


Privacy Protection

The NSW Department of Education and Communities follows the requirements of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002. Schools will collect, record, store and use data about individual students in line with these requirements. Data security and protection is a priority and students’ personal details will be kept confidential.

Under Clause 52 of the Commonwealth Australian Education Regulation 2013, data collected by the NSW Department of Education and Communities for the NCCD must be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. This includes the number of students at each level of education, the number in each category of disability and the number at each level of adjustment. The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

The Australian Government Department of Education and Training follows the requirements of the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 when handling any data provided by NSW Department of Education and Communities in connection with the national data collection. A privacy notice has been developed by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department’s website at http://education.gov.au/notices.

If you have any questions about the data collection please do not hesitate to contact.