Dear Parents/Caregivers

10.00-11.00am and will continue each Friday for six weeks, concluding Week 7, November 21, 2014. If you have not already returned your note with payment, please do so before Thursday. We would like to encourage families not to send these products to school with their children. These include peanut butter, Nutella, sesame seeds, loose nuts, muesli, nut or chocolate bars or any products containing any type of nuts.

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This is a very important part of our sporting program and every student should be participating as it caters for non-swimmers to advanced swimmers. A qualified instructor from Swansea Pool is engaged with the non-swimmers and all teachers from Years 3 to 6 are in charge of the groups.

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Year 7 – 2016 Selective High School

The selective high school placement process has started for students who will be entering Year 7 in 2016. No paper application forms are printed – applications are online only. Parents/Carers must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

Applications for entry in 2016 can be made online between 14 October 2014 and 17 November 2014. All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 12 March 2016. For further information please see the school office.

Payments

We are implementing some new changes to the way we receive money for special events, excursions and other activities where payment is required. We expect ALL parents and carers to follow this process. We are bringing these changes in to streamline our processes, to avoid mistakes and errors in receipting payments and to protect our office staff from abuse by parents.

• Teachers will not be receiving any more money in the classroom
• All money must be placed into an envelope
• The envelope must have the child’s name, class, the event and the amount of money in the envelope (No money will be accepted if it is not in an envelope)
• The Child or parent will place the envelope in the chute that is located in the counter of the school office
• NO money will be accepted after the deadline for final payment.

All information is prepared by the school on school events and this is in our weekly newsletter, event permission notes, on the school website and on the school’s Facebook site. It is a parent responsibility to read the information and not blame the school when they do not access information in a timely manner.

Library News

Thank you to all those who have searched for overdue books over the holidays. Many have returned to the library’s shelves. We are asking for any spare plastic shopping bags. Students are not allowed to borrow from the school library without a library bag, to protect against random rainstorms and leaking drink bottles. To allow students to continue their borrowing and reading habits, we give them a plastic shopping bag if they have forgotten their library bag. We have recently run out so any extra bags would be most welcome.

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N. Henry - Teacher/Librarian

Spectacular Costumes

Please return all borrowed costumes to class teachers as soon as possible.
P & C News

Daniel Morcomme Day will be held on Friday 31 October. Children will be asked to come to school wearing something red and to bring a gold coin donation. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

Badalya Hut

The Canteen will be open this week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Please find attached to this newsletter a new Canteen menu. Our Canteen urgently needs volunteers. If you are able to volunteer, whether it be once a week or once a month, the help will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Katherine McMurrugh on 4971 2316 or 0402 764 985.

Canteen is closed every Tuesday

Community Notices

BROTHER OR BIG SISTER!

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria Japan, the U.S.A and Canada will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Call your local coordinator today on: 0429406126 to request some student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship.

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Sustainable Neighbourhood Celebration

For residents and friends of Caves Beach, Swansea and Swansea North

• Free sausage sizzle
• Guided walking tour of Coon Island
• Learn about early European settlement, some special migratory birds and revegetation of Coon Island
• Help plant some foreshore plants with the Coon Island Landcare group
• Join in an Eco Angel Clean up event
• Find out about local community projects, and get to know your neighbours

Sunday 19 October 10am - 12noon

Coon Island Picnic Area, Robinson Drive, Swansea

Bookings essential to Cavesbeachswanseaarea@gmail.com or 4931 0137

Please wear enclosed shoes, a hat, and sunsafe clothing. The walking tour leaves just after 10am, and is an easy walk with some uneven ground. In case of wet weather on the day, call (02) 4934 1111.

www.sustainableneighbourhoods.org.au/caves-beach-swansea-area

JOIN McDoNalDS SwanSea On

McHappy Day Sat 18th Oct

By raising funds to help keep families with seriously ill children under the same roof

The Jitter Jacks

Blue Moon Face Painting

Raffles

Magician & Balloons Alvins Juke Box

Pony rides Swansea Fire Station

Garry Edwards Swansea Electorate

Alcott Hire Charm Have

Guessing Competitions

$2 from every Big Mac sold will go straight to Ronald McDonald House Charities

For more information or to make an online donation, please visit RMHC.ORG.AU/MCHAPPYDAY

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