25 March 2014

THIS WEEK … WEEK 9
Tue 25/3: Active After School Sport, K-2 Zumba - LAST SESSION
Wed 26/3: Yr 6 Transition Taster lesson at Swansea High School. 1.30-3.00pm
Active After School Sport, Yrs 3-6 Football Skills
Fri 28/3: Boardies Day to support our local Surf Lifesaving Association – children to wear board shorts and bring a gold coin donation please

Week 10
Wed 2/4: Active After School Sport, Yrs 3-6 Football Skills - LAST SESSION
Thu: 3/4: Premiers Sporting Challenge Leadership Program for selected Yrs 5 and 6 students at Swansea High School
How to help your child read – Parent Reading Workshop with Mrs Anderson
Fri 4/4: How to help your child read – Parent Reading Workshop with Mrs Anderson

Week 11
Tue 8/4: Aboriginal Education Committee meeting 2.00pm
Wed 9/4: P&C meeting at 9.15am in the staffroom
Galabba Middle Years SRC meeting at Swansea High School 2.00-3.00pm
Thu 10/4: School Anzac Day Service
Fri 11/4: Easter Hat Parade starting at 12noon
Last day of Term One

Canteen is closed on Tuesdays

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Ethics Classes at Swansea Public School
Thank you to the parents/caregivers who have completed the Expression of Interest (EOI) for an Ethics Class at Swansea Public School. This form was in last week’s newsletter.
If you have not completed an EOI, please contact the school Office for a copy.
There are a number of parents who have also expressed an interest in receiving training to become a teacher/coordinator - thank you!

School Spectacular 2014
Rehearsals and auditions are currently underway for this year’s School Spectacular. Mrs Melville is getting right into the swing of things and the students are starting to feel the usual excitement as the school begins its journey.

Just some dates to keep in mind and in your diary. We have booked Swansea High School Hall for 2 September (school dress rehearsal 10.00am-2.00pm) and the performance will be on Thursday 4 September starting at 7.00pm. More news to follow!

Community Issue - Bike and Car Tyre Caps
It has come to my attention that there are a small number of our students who have been taking the tyre caps off bikes and cars in the local area. They are then bringing them to school and swapping them or showing their collection. Please be aware of this issue and actively discourage your child from joining this activity as this may be viewed as a Police matter.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE: IDEAS FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS
The Parent’s Jury
The Parent’s Jury is a web-based network of parents who are trying to improve the food and physical activity environments for children in Australia. The Parent’s Jury is currently advocating for junk food free advertising during children’s TV programs and confectionery free supermarket checkouts. Members receive regular emails with links to current articles and are encouraged to add their opinions on issues that can affect families’ nutrition and activity levels. To find out more go to www.parentsjury.org.au

Library News
PRC UPDATE: Well done to all those children diligently reading their way to a total of 20 PRC books. Some are very close to finishing so keep up the reading! Those who have completed their PRC have their name displayed in a star on the Library window. These are Swansea Public School’s 2014 PRC stars. Complete 20 PRC books and your name will appear there too. Keep at it!
A big thank you to Isabella Gomez 2H who has presented the Library with a beautiful canvas artwork inspired by our Chinese New Year teaching and learning activities. Chinese New Year lessons will be an annual occurrence supporting the new Australian Curriculum’s emphasis on Asian studies. I’m so pleased the students have learned so much and enjoyed their studies.
Keep reading!
Nerelee Henry (Teacher-Librarian)

Due to enrolled children’s life threatening Anaphylactic allergic reactions to all nuts and peanut products, 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.

Easter Hat Parade – Friday 11 April

Quality Teaching … Excellent Facilities … Enriching Programs
All students will be parading at the Easter Parade on Friday 11 April at 12.00 noon.

All students, Kinder-Year 6, will be making their hats at school.

Please parents, this is a fun activity for the students!

Students need to have their materials at school by Friday 28 March.

Parents, grandparents and friends are all invited to join us on this special day.

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Canteen Roster

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Canteen is closed every Tuesday

P&C Association
Easter Raffle - Friday, 11 April 2014

The P&C Association will be holding an Easter Raffle at the Easter Hat Parade on Friday 11 April 2014.

We are now calling for donations and would be very grateful if students could bring with them to school an Easter egg for inclusion in the raffle. They will also receive a mini award from their teacher.

Thank you - P&C Association

Become a Volunteer Host Family

Open your home and hearts to an international exchange student. To receive full information pack please contact Sylvia Kelly on 1300 884733 or email: info@wep.org.au

Special Needs Footy Fun Day

Rugby League Clinic on Sunday 18 May at Kevin Thompson Field, Dora Creek. For more information contact Lyndon Sheppard, NRL Game Development Officer Email: lisheppard@nrl.com.au or phone 0411 159430.

Lake Macquarie Libraries

Easter Storytimes at Swansea Library on Wednesday 16 April from 10.00-10.45am

Frog Prince Puppet Show & Storytime at Belmont Library on Tuesday 15 April from 11.00-11.30am