



The Surveyor

Term 4 Week 4

From the Principal's desk



Billy Kart Bonanza THIS FRIDAY!!!!!!

I hope everyone is getting their Billy Karts ready for the Bonanza, I know I am! A reminder to all parents the Billy Kart Bonanza is open to school children only. Siblings are welcome to come and cheer and watch on the day! Unfortunately jumping castles and activities will only be for the school children as well. Due to the number of children attending our school we are unable to cater for all. I appreciate your understanding and support for this event. I can't wait to see everyone there on Friday!



Before School Play

The following timetable will be put in place as of next week for handball in the mornings before school.

Monday- Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2

Tuesday- Year 3 and Year 4

Wednesday- No handball

Thursday- Years 5 and 6

Fridays- Open to all children to play



Writers Festival

Congratulations to Ryan Clark, Jessalyn Brown and Jessica Wilson who represented our school at the Glenmore Park High School Writers Festival this past Tuesday night. They were asked to write a piece of Historical Fiction for the festival. I know they will have done our school, themselves and their parents proud.



Public Speaking

Congratulations to Olivia Auddino Yr 4, Kylie Fenech Yr 5 and Vaishali Ram Yr 6 for making it through to the final of Penrith Valley Public Speaking contest. We wish them all the best for the next coming Monday!



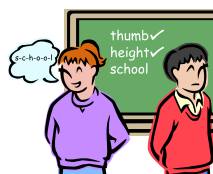
State Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Ellie Smyth who represented our region at the State Athletics Carnival. She came 11th in the 800 meters which is just amazing. Well done Ellie!



Premier's Spelling Competition

Congratulations to Vaishali Ram who came third in the region at the Premier's Spelling Challenge! Well done Vaishali we are very proud of you!



Change of Routine

As of Monday 4th November 2013 the students will line up outside their classes except for Kindergarten and 4/5CW who will still line up in the usual place.

Brooke's Car Rally

This is a thank you from Brooke Jones

I wanted to say thank you to you all for your support of my event, Brooke's Car Rally the fundraising event that was held on Sunday 13th October, 2013.

Together, with your help, the day was a huge success and we raised a total of \$7,209-75 for the cancer centre.

On behalf of the staff, patients and families of the Nepean Cancer Care Centre I thank you for your support.

There are some pictures on the other page about our car rally.

LIBRARY NEWS

Kindergarten Orientation Storytime

We would like to welcome all the Kindergarten students who will be starting at SCPS in 2014. There will be a series of story times which are part of kindergarten orientation. The story times will be held on Monday afternoons from 2.50pm – 3.10pm from (week 4) 28th October until 25th November (week 8 of term 4). There are a few surprises planned.

So if you have any children starting next year please come along with your family to attend. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Karlov in the library. We look forward to seeing you.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to those students who have completed the PRC for 2013! We are expecting certificates to be arriving very soon to our school. Certificates will be handed out during assembly and we will notify you of when this is occurring.

We have purchased a number of new resources which are on the PRC reading list for students to choose from for the 2014 challenge! Many are high interest stories including the ever popular "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series.

Steven Herrick Visiting Our School

We are very pleased to remind you that Steven Herrick will be visiting our school in week 7 on Tuesday 19th November 2013. Steven has visited over 200 schools and is a popular performer with primary students. He has won awards including the shortlist for the 2013 CBCA awards this year with his comedy verse novel called "Pookie Alleera is not my boyfriend" which students have been enjoying during library lessons. Steven Herrick will be performing his poetry in an entertaining show especially designed for students in stage 2 and stage 3 (years 3- 6 students). Please remember to return your payment of \$4.00 to attend this performance by 11th November 2013.

Students are currently helping put up a special display in the library all about Steven Herrick and his writing. Steven writes quirky Australian poetry which is often comical and has won a number of awards. You may be interested to find out more about Steven Herrick at his official website: <http://www.stevenherrick.com.au/>

Library Stocktake Volunteers

It is nearly that time of year again where the library stocktake will begin. This is a valuable exercise to ensure resources are accessible for our school community. Part of this process involves sorting the resources into exact order. If you are interested in helping with tidying sections of the library in time for stocktake please contact Mrs Karlov or Mrs Lamond in the library. It would be week 10 and 11 of the term where this help would be most needed.

Library Monitors 2014

The library monitors this year have done an excellent job. This year there were more monitors appointed than ever before at SCPS. Library monitors help with enquiries, shelving resources, sorting, tidying and with any library events. They also assist with students borrowing. There will be a party to thank our 2013 library monitors in week 10 at lunch time. Invitations will be sent to students closer to the time.

In week 5 applications will begin for the 2014 library monitors. Students can apply by filling out a questionnaire. It is open to students who will be in year 5 or 6 next year.

Students in the younger grades are also welcome to assist in the library however they are assisted by the library monitors who are trained in the various aspects such as shelving, helping with library enquiries and in using the library computer system.

Thank You

Once again our school community has shown generosity in giving their time and in donations to our library. Special thanks go to everyone who has been covering the many new resources that have arrived at our library this term! Particular thanks goes to Dianna Soriano, Paula Rowe, Tanya Tanti and Yvette Amies for all your assistance in the library this term.

We would also like to thank our generous school community for the many donations which have been given to our library this term!

With the assistance of our many volunteers, I have noticed that resources are on the shelves faster than ever before. It has been a joy to see so many students getting excited seeing the new resources arriving in our library. So once again thank you for your valuable contribution to our school.

Thank you for the many plastic bags which have been brought into the library. We currently have enough bags. We would like to encourage students to keep bringing their library bags to library lessons.

New Resources for the English Curriculum

In 2014 NSW Schools will be using the new English Curriculum. This updated curriculum brings the most recent innovations in teaching practice as well as including the increased use and importance of information technology. Students today read many different formats including digital formats and printed resources.

At SCPS we have ensured students have access to a variety of resources including digital books (also called e-books) and the printed version as well as websites and other types of media such as DVDs, and educational games. It is a very exciting time to be working in the library as students become more familiar with using digital resources.

We have been pleased to discover that there are many existing items in our collection which are included on the list of suggested quality resources for the new English Curriculum. We are currently expanding our collection with a particular focus on items that we are missing from the suggested quality resources list. Part of this process has involved checking the list of items for each stage group to ensure we have the right resources to match student learning needs.

Library Lessons Term 4

Library lessons in term four are focussing on a variety of topics. Stage 2 and 3 students are practising their research skills with the topic of the Australian icon Uluru. Students will be practicing the Super Six comprehension strategies which are a fun way to improve comprehension skills. They are also learning the steps of the research process which can be used for any topic. Skills include note taking, using visual organisers, working in a team and choosing quality resources.

Kindergarten and Year 1 are currently exploring a variety of poetry, with the theme of Spring and Summer.

Once again, thank you for supporting students reading and the SCPS library.

Kind regards,

Christine Karlov (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)
Cathy Lamond (Thursday, Friday)

Thank You for going RED for type 1 Diabetes

I would like to say a big thank you to all the students who dressed in **RED** for my fundraiser last Thursday everyone looked great and it was a big success, all money raised will go to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) to help find a cure for type 1 Diabetes

We raised \$622-80 in total. The winner of the Jelly Baby guessing competition is Hanna 4/5CW with a guess of 357. The amount of Jelly Babies was 357 in total so Hanna was spot on. In a close second was Mrs Porter teacher of KP with a guess of 362 which was 5 off the correct amount. The winner of the Ipod shuffle was Stephanie from 3H. Congratulations to all the students who won a minor prize.

Thankyou
Emma Hogan 5/6U
JDRF Youth Ambassador

PBL AWARDS

TERM 4	Bronze	Aiden Sonter	1MJ
Week 3	Silver	Charlotte Bellamy	1MJ
	Bronze	Harry Wright	1-4F
	Bronze	Anthony Patton	1-4F
	Silver	Sienna Hackworthy	1MJ
	Silver	James Homann	1MJ
	Silver	Issy Nakkam	3-6C
	Bronze	Skylah Kendall	KR
	Bronze	Chelsea Milkovic	KP
	Bronze	David Hogan	4D
	Bronze	Katie Farrell	3/4H
	Silver	Leah Tomarchio	1W
	Silver	Neave Bottrill	1W
	Silver	Cameron Fog	1W
	Silver	Jake Fitzpatrick	1MJ
	Silver	Jessalyn Brown	5/6S
	Silver	Mikayla Morgan	5/6S
	Silver	Emerson Rovere	5/6S
	Bronze	Blade Steer	5/6S
	Silver	Zachariah Shareefpour	2S
	Silver	Lachlan Smith	2S
	Silver	Adam Carruthers	3-6O
	Bronze	Liam Costello	1/2C
	Bronze	Skylah Kendall	KR
	Silver	Marissa Chetcuti	1B
	Bronze	Harrison Rushbrook	3H
	Silver	Caitlin Urio	5/6U
	Silver	Ben Thomas	5/6U
	Silver	Jaime Madill	5/6U
	Silver	Emma Hogan	5/6U
	Bronze	Aimee Parrish	4D



Yr 6 Graduation Day

The Yr 6 Graduation Assembly will be on Wednesday 11th December, 2013 at 9:30am in the school hall. It should run till around 11:00am. Parents are then welcome to take their children home to prepare for that evenings farewell dinner starting at 5:30pm for photos and then moving into the venue for a 6:00pm start.

Yr 5 will be welcome from 7:00pm for the disco. Celebrations will finish at 9:00pm.

Thank you

Mrs Smith

Assistant Principal Stage 3



Reminder

At the next P & C Meeting on Wednesday 6th November 2013 it will be the Annual General Meeting where all positions are declared vacant. It will commence at 7:00pm in the staffroom. If you would like to vote or be voted in to a position please ensure you are here just before 7:00pm to pay the \$1 membership.



Term 4

Week 4

Wednesday 30th October 2013

Dates to Remember

01/11/2013	Billy Kart Bonanza
04/11/2013	Public Speaking District Final at G.P.P.S
05/11/2013	Kindergarten 2014 Parent Information Evening 7:00pm to 8:00pm in School Library
06/11/2013	P & C (AGM) Meeting 7:00pm in staffroom
07/11/2013	Stage 2 Cake Stall
08/11/2013	BKB backup date
11/11/2013	Kinder Excursion to Calmsley Hill
13/11/2013	1st Orientation Morning 9:30am to 10:30am in Kinder Classrooms
15/11/2013	Student Leaders 2014 Applications Close
18/11/2013 to	Learn to Swim commences for Yrs 2/3 and Support
18/11/2013	2 nd Orientation Morning 9:30am to 10:30am in Kinder Classrooms
19/11/2013	Steve Herrick Poet Visit Yrs 3/6
20/11/2013	Band Performance Middle Session
22/11/2013	School Leaders speeches
04/12/2013	Yr 7 2014 Orientation
05/12/2013	Last Catholic Scripture
06/12/2013	Sports Assembly
11/12/2013	Yr 6 Graduation/Farewell
13/12/2013	Presentation Assembly
17/12/2013	K-2 Party/3-6 Bowling/Movie Day
18/12/2013	Last day of term 4

PLEASE NOTE: DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Please remember to check the school facebook page for up to the minute information. All notes are on the website.

**BILLY KART BONANZA THIS FRIDAY
1/11/2013**

PAYMENT/PERMISSION REMINDERS

All money should be placed in a clearly marked envelope in the secure box outside the Administration Block.

No late payments will be accepted.

Spare notes are always available in the rack in the front foyer and also on the school's website

Steven Herrick Poet Yrs 3/4/5/6 and Support Yrs 3/4/5/6 payment of \$4-00 and permission slip due by 9:10am Monday 11th November 2013.

ALL NOTES ARE ON THE SURVEYORS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL WEBSITE.

Receipts for school payments are issued by teachers to students each Friday.

Notes Home

Last Week: Calmsley Hill Kinder Excursion date change note/Playground Rules note/Yr 7 2015 selective high school note/Type 1 Diabetes fundraiser.

This Week:
None

IMPORTANT DATE!!

Year 6 Graduation Assembly and then Farewell Dinner in the early evening is on Wednesday 11th December 2013.

ANNOUCEMENTS

OFFICE HOURS 8:40AM TO 3:25PM

School Banking will be every Tuesday.

Clothing Pool will be every second Thursday in Term: 31/10, 14/11, 28/11, 12/12