Hannans Road - Learning for Life

Thursday 16 July 2015

School Improvements

If you have visited the school this week you may have noticed some changes to the school grounds. During the holidays one of our outdoor learning areas was renovated and our school entrance enhanced with our school logo. Thank you to the students from our SRC, especially Kieran Cook, who assisted in the design of these areas. This work represents the beginning of several small projects which aim to create improved amenity and learning opportunities for our students.
**Eid Mubarak**

This weekend marks the end of Ramadan and the beginning of Eid celebrations for our Muslim families. Approximately forty percent of our students will take part in Breaking-Of-The-Fast celebrations which include special congregational prayers, the sharing of meals with family and friends and the exchange of gifts for children. We wish all our Muslim families Eid Mubarak and look forward to hearing about your celebrations next week.

**Bunnings BBQ**

As well as selling lots of stuff to make your home look better Bunnings also does a great BBQ. On Sunday our P&C will be running the BBQ at Bankstown Airport Bunnings. If you are able to help out please come along and help our parents and teachers raise money for our school. The address is 347/359 Milperra Road Bankstown. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Playing our part to build a national picture of child health**

In early 2015, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin preparations for the third Australian Early Development Census (AEDC). The AEDC measures five key areas of development in children during their first year of full-time school to build a national picture of health and wellbeing. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and target support for children and families.

Teachers are trained to assess each child and answer questions. Children don’t need to be present so no class time is missed, and parents/carers don’t need to supply schools with any new information for the census. Teachers’ individual assessments are then analysed by the AEDC and reported as anonymous groups of children in the final report.

Participation in the AEDC is voluntary. Parents/carers don’t need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census. To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website [www.aedc.gov.au](http://www.aedc.gov.au).

**Athletics Carnival**

As you may be aware our Athletics Carnival was postponed last term as a result of the wet weather. This event has been scheduled for Wednesday of Week 2. Events will start early so please arrive at school on time. Parents are encouraged to attend and we look forward to sharing this event with you.
Sporting Schools Gala Day
As noted in the previous newsletter the Sporting Schools Gala Days were a great success last term. Some of our parent photographers captured this event beautifully in the photos you see below. Thank you.

![Sporting Schools Gala Day photos](image1)

Where’s Oscar?
Oscar has been very elusive during the school break. After three weeks of hiding no one has correctly identified his hideout. Do you know where he is? If so fill in the slip below and return it to the box in the office. The first winning entry selected will win $2 to spend at the school canteen.

Name: ________________________________
Class: ______________
I think Oscar is ________________________________
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Have a great week.
Dan Sprange
Principal