

Newsflash

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"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops." ~~ Henry B. Adams

<u>Term 2</u>	
12-14 May	NAPLAN Testing
15 May	Walk Safely to School Day
22-24 May	Band Intensive
25-29 May	Education Week
28 May	OPEN DAY
9 June	School Development Day
11 June	CB at Performing Arts Challenge
12 June	SB/JB1 at Performing Arts Challenge
	JB at Yamaha Festival
14 June	SB at Yamaha Festival
21 June	SB/CB at Performing Arts Challenge
23 June	JB1/JB2 at Yamaha Festival
<u>10 July</u>	<u>Last Day Term 2</u>
<u>Term 3</u>	
<u>27 July</u>	<u>First Day Term 3- School Development day</u>
28 July	First day for students
4 August	UNSW English Competition
5 August	Opportunity Class Test
5 August	Kindergarten Orientation
10/17/24/31 Aug	Yr 5 Interrelate
11/18/25 Aug & 1 Sept	Yr 6 Interrelate
19 August	UNSW Maths Competition
18 -25 Sept	Life Education
<u>2 Oct</u>	<u>Last Day Term 3</u>
<u>Term 4</u>	
<u>19 Oct</u>	<u>First Day Term 4</u>
3 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation
27 Nov	OC Orientation
29 Nov	Band Concert
1 & 2 Dec	Yr 6 Production
3 Dec	Coffee, Cake & Chat
8 Dec	3-6 Presentation Day
9 Dec	K-2 Presentation Day
10 Dec	Carols By Candlelight
11 Dec	Yr 6 Farewell
<u>16 Dec</u>	<u>Last Day Term 4 for students</u>



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

NEWSFLASH

Each week Newsflash is published on Wednesday. Should anyone in the school community wish to publish something in Newsflash they should email their request to the school email address – artarmon-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Emails should be sent on a Monday to be eligible for printing on that week.

We welcome Mr Paul Gold to our school as of Monday this week. Our numbers of students have grown and we are now able to have 28 classes. A new class not be formed as it would have to be a composite class of Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 4 students and all demountables are currently being used in Victoria, after the fires. Mr Gold will assist with the grades which have very high numbers. Those grades are Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 4. He will be team teaching with the teachers on these grades. Mr Gold is a casual teacher who will remain with us until the Department of Education and Training appoint a permanent teacher.

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

This is on Friday of this week. Children have been invited to join the Naremburn Walking Bus as they come through Burra Rd. Hopefully lots of our children can do this and join in the fun of walking safely to school. Children who walk to school on Friday will be given a special sticker.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dates for excursions and events during the year are now available on the school website. You are able to access the calendar by going to the Community page and clicking on Calendar. As new dates are identified they will be added to the calendar.

*Judy Learmonth
Deputy Principal*

Gifted and Talented – Mindquest

Quakers Hill High School

Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th July 9.30-3.30.

Mindquest offers 38 fast paced courses in a 2 day program. For details and application forms please see Mrs Donaldson.

Reminder to Kindy Parents & Caregivers : "K Afternoon Tea"

Sunday 24th May from 2pm onwards....

Dear Kindergarten Parents & Caregivers,

We would like to invite you to attend our 1st 'K' get-together, which will be a great opportunity to meet all the other parents in year K, as well as the children in our child's year. The whole family is welcome.

On **Sunday 24th May from 2pm onwards**, come along to Hallstrom Park in Small St, Willoughby for a play (there is plenty of parking along Small St and next door at Bicentennial Reserve).

Bring Your Own (BYO) food and drinks.

Hallstrom Park has a playground, bike track (so bring bikes/scooters), barbecues and plenty of grass for ball games etc.

We hope you can make it, and look forward to seeing you all there. No need to RSVP, just turn up.

Regards,
K Class Parents

CHESS CLUB

If you would like your child to participate in the Chess club this term, please complete the following note and return it to the office on money collection days with payment. Chess will be at lunch on Tuesdays week 4-9, a six week program. We will have two groups and they will be graded if we have sufficient numbers. Students should come to the Kameraigal Room with their food at 12.30. Cost per child will be \$36.00.

Thank you for your prompt reply.

Robyn Tolnay

My child is interested in joining the chess club.
I enclose \$36 for a six week program.

Parent's signature _____

Child's Name

child's class

Merit Badges

Congratulations to the following children

KD	Patricia Kuok	3MC	Samantha Darmann
KG	Kei Yomoda	3R	Simonne Meiers
KM	Luvina Cheung	3S	Calvin Ye Lewis Clayburn
KC	Samuel Bennett	4BC	Anish Ghareka
KVC	Esha Lam	4D	Anson Cheung
1S	Jasmine Lee	4/5K	Sachin Black
1GS	Grace Morrison	5C	Ryoto Kato
1K	Natalie Seeto	5H	Jonathan Karuga
1W	Mia Burgess	5S	Keenan Sykes
2K	Arlene Park	5W	George Furrer
2C	Emma Bolton	5/6A	Avalon Ible
2H	Jaeff Hong	6H	Heidi Liu
2B	Tasnia Ahmad	6L	Isaac Holder
		6T	Geoffrey Chiu

Dear Parents



Time is ticking... please make sure that your child returns the Entertainment™ Book that was sent home, **or** the money for the book by **Thursday May 14th** to their teacher.

YOUR ASSISTANCE IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!!



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL(SRC) NEWS

*On our school Open Day some special people will be coming in and talking to the school.

*Be considerate of other people. So while going around the school please don't walk through handball courts while other people are playing on it.

*SRC would like to say a HUGE Thank You to all teachers and parents that helped make Crunch and Sip possible.

From the SRC publishers Katie O'Sullivan and Lauren Wilhelm



Red Shield Appeal 2009

The Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal helps many people in need who live around Sydney and across our country. Your help is vital to raise the funds required to operate the programs and to support the people who serve those who are homeless, suffer from addictions or abuse, who are alienated from families, seeking work and in desperate situations.

The Red Shield doorknock takes place on the weekend of the **23 and 24 May 2009** and we are now starting to gather volunteers to help doorknock the whole Artarmon and surrounding areas. If any parents or children (who must be accompanied and supervised by an adult) are willing to help us doorknock in your local area please contact **Captain Sharon Sandercock-Brown** via email at sharon.sandercockbrown@aue.salvationarmy.org or call the local Chatswood Salvation Army Office on 9419 8695. It's a fun way to get to know your neighbourhood and neighbours as well as supporting the wonderful work of The Salvation Army.

We hope you will give it your consideration this year and help out!

Many thanks

Captain Sharon Sandercock-Brown
Chatswood Salvation Army

Cnr Johnson & Archer Streets CHATSWOOD

BAND NEWS

Band News

Band Intensive

The band intensive is being held from Fri May 22nd - Sunday May 24th at school. Please place the forms and payment in the band box at the front office asap as it is now due. Also, parents, please be generous in volunteering to help with supervision.

Contacts Reminder

Instrument issues	Alice Hung	0412 338 898
Tutor issues	Lilian Lee	0433 035 883

Bushfire Scarves

Thankyou to all the families who generously participated in our drive to provide scarves to three schools in Victoria.

Today the scarves are being delivered to: Marysville, Strathewen and Kinglake Middle Public Schools.

All Principals are very excited at our idea and definitely very grateful for your kindness.

A big thankyou to Cath Gyles for the organisation of ordering, sales and now Free Delivery by DHL, Artarmon.

Our own scarves have been a big hit and are still selling fast at the Uniform Shop!

CANTEEN UPDATE

Hi to all students and helpers,

This weeks soup is home made chicken and vegetable, and only available at lunch time. Children need to come to the canteen and purchase and collect their soup at lunch. Money will not be taken from lunch bags in the morning. The same applies for hot chocolate and ice poles and slushies.

I had a couple of instances last week where lunches were ordered over Munch Monitor for students, but the students did not collect them. If your child becomes sick or has to leave school and you have already ordered their lunch, please do not hesitate to ring me before 10.00am and let me know. I will endeavour to help replace the lunch/ items.

Roster for Thursday 14th May to Wednesday 20th May

Thursday 14th May

Tony Palacek, Cathy Pan, Aemy Khor

Friday 15th May

Jette Bollcrup (sh), Alex Variey (sh), Vitaly Pertsis, Tazuko Nagadoi, Aki Azuma

Monday 18th May

Satomi Tong, Tammie Kitami, Rieko Yomoda

Tuesday 19th May

Madhu Narayanan, Vanessa Lee, Hyesook Kim, Fiona Hue

Wednesday 20th May

Theresa Lin, Anne Layton- Smith, Marianne Seeto

Would any one be able to volunteer to help in the Canteen the first Thursday of each month, please let me know.

Thank you all
Michele
Artarmon Canteen Manager