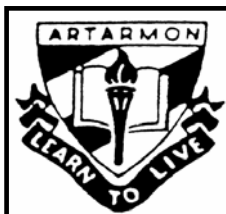


Newsflash

<u>Term 2</u>	
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<u>Term 3</u>	
<u>27 July</u> 28 July 4 August 5 August 5 August 10/17/24/31 Aug 11/18/25 Aug & 1 Sept 26 Aug 19 August 18 -25 Sept 23 Sept <u>2 Oct</u>	<u>First Day Term 3- School Development day</u> First day for students UNSW English Competition Opportunity Class Test Kindergarten Orientation Yr 5 Interrelate Yr 6 Interrelate P&C Meeting UNSW Maths Competition Life Education P&C Meeting <u>Last Day Term 3</u>
<u>Term 4</u>	
<u>19 Oct</u> 3 Nov 27 Nov 29 Nov 1 & 2 Dec 3 Dec 8 Dec 9 Dec 10 Dec 11 Dec <u>16 Dec</u>	<u>First Day Term 4</u> Kindergarten Orientation OC Orientation Band Concert Yr 6 Production Coffee, Cake & Chat 3-6 Presentation Day K-2 Presentation Day Carols By Candlelight Yr 6 Farewell <u>Last Day Term 4 for students</u>



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

TERM 2 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY TUESDAY 9 JUNE

Staff will be attending a conference on this day at North Sydney. The keynote speaker for the day is Dr Christine Richmond whose speciality is student behaviour management.

K-6 GYMNASTICS

The gymnastics program has begun this week and will continue until the end of Term. SportsPro provides qualified instructors for each lesson and half way through term will increase to 2 teachers per lesson.

MULTICULTURAL COMMITTEE

What a great pleasure it was to attend the last committee meeting. The gathering was well attended and many ideas and thoughts were shared in a positive and welcoming environment. Thank you to the team leaders for all their hard work.

Louise Green
Principal

EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY

THURSDAY 28 MAY 2009

8.00am	Band Performances
9.00am	School Choirs String Group Guitar Group
9.30am	OPEN CLASSROOMS
10.15am	Recess – families are welcome to join their children for recess

Last Friday Class 5H walked to Bunnings store in Artarmon where we were given a most informative and practical talk about sustainability. As we toured the store we found out about water saving devices, shower timers, battery-less torches, energy efficient light globes and in-store recycling. We enjoyed morning tea before returning to school! We are the nearest school to Bunnings and we are also the recipient of their generous donations to our school gardens, art supplies and P&C fundraising. Thank you BUNNINGS for your on-going support.

How can I make fruit and vegetables more appealing to my child?

Research has found that children prefer small, cold, crisp, juicy and sweet fruits and colourful, crisp, fresh vegetables. Try the following tips to encourage children to enjoy fruit and vegetables:

- Buy a variety of seasonal fresh fruit so your child doesn't become bored
- Involve your child in choosing what fruit and vegetables to buy
- Give them a small, hand-sized piece
- Cut large fruit and vegetables into small manageable pieces
- Make 'vegiepeople' with your child
- Freeze small pieces of fruit as an icy snack (try pineapple wedges, orange quarters or grapes).



**Artarmon Public School
Parents and Citizens' Association**

P&C Meeting NEXT WEEK, 8pm Wednesday 27th May 2009

As always we will have the informative reports from the School Executive – updating us on current and future school activities and plans.

Special Agenda Item – Presentation by staff on the school's PDHPE program. (This is *Personal Development, Health and Physical Education* including Fitness.)

The P&C treasurer and the committees - band, canteen, garden, multi-cultural, social and fund-raising, sustainability, traffic, uniform and fitness program – will summarise their past successes and planned activities for input from the general meeting.

All parents and carers of children at Artarmon are welcome to attend and to help us make the best decisions for our children. Your Class Parent may be attending. Speak to them about it. Also, you can read the previous meeting minutes on the school website under Community and P&C.

Drinks follow the meeting and it's a great opportunity to meet the staff and other parents.

Where: Kameraigal Room (Primary Library)

When: 8pm NEXT Wed 27th May (And we always aim to finish by 9:30pm)

Looking forward to seeing you all,

Stuart Moffat (President) Ph 9419 3430, Email: srmoffat@ozemail.com.au

Please note the scheduled P&C meetings for:

Term 2: 27th May, 24th June

Term 3: 26th August, 23rd September

***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

Merit Badges

Congratulations to the following children

KD	K-2 Awards will	3MC	JiaMing Sun
KG	resume next week	3R	Laura Irvine
KM		3S	Otilia Chan
KC		4BC	Hannah Ludecke
KVC		4D	Amabel Wu
1S		4/5K	Grace Wong
1GS		5C	Julia Marks
1K		5H	Brittany Gibbs
1W		5S	Samantha Darman
2K		5W	Alec Zhang
2C		5/6A	Ibrahim Soueid
2H		6H	Audrey Broome
2B		6L	Sally Bang
		6T	Matthew Ching

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 as soon as possible.



YOUR ASSISTANCE IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!!



Premier's Reading Challenge

Most children have started the Premier's Reading Challenge at school and many will find it easy to complete.

Parents should be aware that it is a condition of entry that all students successfully completing the PRC will receive an official certificate and their names will appear on the PRC Honour Roll. The certificate shows the students name and school while the Honour Roll lists only the name with no other identifying factors.

Children in Kindergarten to Year 2 must experience (listen to, share or read) 30 books of which 25 must on the PRC list.

Children in Years 3 to 6 must read 20 books altogether of which 15 must be on the PRC List.

This list is available at school and on the PRC website. Also, as many of the books are popular series books, children may know they are on the PRC list. Children can list the titles of the books they have read and the PRC numbers of those books if they can find them. However, it is not essential to write the numbers. A Personal Reading Log sheet is available from the library if needed.

Children in Years 2 to 6 will also be shown how to enter their books online and most will have some time at school to do this. However it can be done from any internet connected computer if the child can log on to his/her Kidspace Homepage. Parents can do this for younger children if they know the log on and password.

When the online list is complete it must be validated. I can view the completed list online but will request a signature from parents to confirm validation. A note saying your child/children have completed the challenge will do or print Personal reading Log Sheet and sign it.

The PRC website can be slow so children who cannot complete their online entries can still complete the Challenge by returning the completed, signed Personal Reading Log sheet to the library. However as I do not have time to enter these individually I will use a generic entry which may not be exactly the same as the Personal Reading Log submitted but will allow the Challenge to be completed.

CANTEEN UPDATE

Hello All Volunteers,

Thank you all every week, without your help the canteen would not run like clockwork as it does. This week we are looking for volunteers of a different kind.

We have a wonderful committee who have, over the last four years made wonderful changes to your School Canteen. (Willoughby Council said it was one of the best on the North Shore). But it is time for the Committee to hang up their aprons, so to speak. We are looking for volunteers to fill the following positions for next year.

President of the Canteen Committee
Vice President of the Canteen Committee
Secretary of the Canteen Committee

We have already filled the position of Treasurer to the energetic, bubbly Margaret Heppell who has children in K,1,2.

If anyone is interested in coming along to a Committee meeting to see how things are organized in regards to the canteen, please do not hesitate to contact the following members.

Clare Hamilton-Bate – hbhall@tpg.com.au
Mignon Northcote – mignon1@bigpond.net.au
Margaret Heppell – mheppell@bigpond.com.au
Kathy Jubian – ajubian@optusnet.com.au
Vanessa Bagot – nvbagot@optusnet.com.au

There is plenty of time to learn the ropes from the outgoing committee before you make your decision to join up for next year, why not give it a go?

From Michele
Canteen Manager

ROSTER FOR WEEK – THURSDAY 21ST MAY – THURSDAY 28TH MAY

Thursday 21/5/09 – Jane Standen, Sue Livingstone, Susan Mitchell

Friday 22/5/09 – Michelle Sloane, Kathy Jubian, Prati Pandey

Monday 25/5/09 – Behjat Shafie, Lucia Evangelista

Tuesday 26/5/09 – Yuka Kondo, Kie Huxtable, Takae Burgess

Wednesday 27/5/09 – Kerrie Taylor, Jan Willett, Margot McKay

Thursday 28/5/09 – Clare Hamilton- Bate, Varsha Samji, Sue Moore

As you can see I really need a volunteer for the 4th Monday each month starting next week.

My contact email is jasaameve@hotmail.com.au

Thank you again,
Michele
Canteen Manager



The Mini-Mos will take place on **Sunday, 14 June** and last year we had a great team of runners enter the race. The 2km run is open to all Primary school children, please see age groups below.

You can register directly at www.mini-mos.com and make sure you state you are running for Artarmon Public School.

Race shirts will be organised for all runners and given out before the race. The more entries from Artarmon Public School, the more chances to win the top school prize.

So register today! Registration fee is \$15.00 for the 2km run

Race kits can be picked up before the race for all registrations made prior to Friday, 29 May 2009 (see website for details).

CATEGORIES

The Age Group categories for both Male & Female competitors are *(based on the age you turn during the 2009 calendar year)*:

- Under 8 (including 5s, 6s & 7s)
- 8 - 9
- 10 - 11
- 12 - 13

PRIZES

For the 2km Run, medals will be awarded to:

- the fastest overall runners in both the boys' & girls' divisions;
- the top three places in each age division for both boys & girls; and,
- the three (3) fastest runners in the winning teams (i.e. schools) in each division

Perpetual trophies will also be awarded to:

- Top school, for boys division;
- Top school, for girls division; and,
- Top overall school (combining boys & girls divisions)