

The Newsletter of Vacy Public School

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"Friendship and Learning"

Our 2014 Kindergarten

Co-operation



Respect



Play fairly



Be safe



Think before you do

Principals Message

Don't the children of Vacy look awesome! We have had a brilliant response to sharpen up the uniform by wearing black leather footwear. It not only makes the students look good, it also engenders a sense of belonging. Thank you to the many parents who purchased the uniform footwear over the holidays.

Keep an eye out for some photos of our new Kindergarten class as well as our School Leaders. They should appear in the Dungog Chronicle tomorrow.

We have had some very positive comments about the wonderful job that our Year 6 students are doing as "buddies" for our new Kinders. The Year 6 students have taken their responsibilities seriously and have ensured a tear-free start to school life for our Kindergarten students. Mrs Graham has commented on the friendly and cooperative way in which the Kinders are behaving towards their classmates, not to mention how clever they are.

Our first P&C meeting for 2014 will be held on Tuesday 18 February at 7 pm in the staffroom. The P & C meeting is where parents meet to discuss general school matters and work in collaboration with the school executive to make important decisions to support all students.

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of our P & C and the Vacy Charity Cutting Day committee we have been able to purchase over \$5500 worth of literacy resources to bolster our literacy learning. This includes a whole suite of digital books that students will be able to access on the laptops, multiple copies of readers to support primary students and which will fill some much needed gaps in the resourcing for older students as well as interactive whiteboard resources focused on the development of comprehension skills. Thank you to all who have contributed towards the purchase of these resources.

Our PSSA Swimming Carnival will be held on Thursday 20 February at Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre. A permission slip and information sheet will be sent home with further details, including lunch arrangements. Students in Kinder to Year 2 will remain at school and enjoy some 'water activities without getting wet'. Sounds confusing?!?

Don't forget to find out what's happening in your child's class at our Parent Information Night and P&C Welcome Barbecue on Thursday 6 February. There will be three sessions – Kinder in Block D at 5:30; Years 1, 2 & 3 in Block J at 6:00 and Years 4, 5 & 6 in Block C at 6:30 pm. The Parent Information Sessions are designed to outline class routines, expectations and an overview of units and topics to be treated.

Regards,

Graeme

Dates to Remember

February

Thu 6 - Parent Information Night & P & C BBQ 5.30pm to 7.00pm

Mon 10 - Canteen starts

Tue 11 - Active After School Community Program starts 3.15pm to 4.15pm.

(sport to be decided)

Thu 13 - A.A.S.C.P. - 3.15pm-4.15pm (Sport to be decided)

Tue 18 - P & C meeting

Thu 20 - School Swimming Carnival Years 2 to 6 - @ Kurri Kurri

March

Mon 31 - Young Leaders Conference - Year 6 only

Canteen News

In today's newsletter you will find the new canteen menu.

The new roster will be sent home soon.

Canteen will commence on Monday 10 February. Thank you to all the families who have volunteered to work in the Canteen this term.

If you are able to assist with volunteering in the Canteen, please contact Natalie Convery on 0422318972.

Canteen Roster Term 1 2014

Monday 10 February - Heidi Watson & Emma Maslen

Thursday 13 February - Russel Jessop & Kris Doyle

1/2/3 News

Welcome back to the 2014 school year. The 1,2,3 room has had a busy week settling into their routines, a lot of which are quite familiar as they have all been in these classrooms and worked with Mrs Rogers and Mrs Greaves before. The children brought home a note during the week informing you of which teacher is their "homeroom" teacher so if you need to communicate with us please do so with that teacher.

We have also asked the children to bring in 2 Velcro or zip lock folders. One will be for communication and the other for home readers when they start.

Thursday 6 February is our Information night where all our class routines and procedures will be explained. If you are unable to attend we will send home written information and of course if you have any questions please come and see us.

We are looking forward to a very productive year working with both you and your children.

Kind regards, Mrs Greaves & Mrs Rogers.

Kindergarten News

What a fabulous start for all our Kindergarten students! Everyone has settled in to school routine already. Well done! I hope parents are adjusting to the changes at home now that your child is away for much of the day. Yesterday the Jolly Phonics homework (also known as the green book) went home. I have asked the children to teach you the sound and the action each time they bring home a new sound. If you have time, could you please cover the book in clear contact or plastic as this will help it last longer. Today we had a special visit from the "Dungog Chronicle" to take our photo, look out for this in the newspaper. I am looking forward to meeting parents again at our information evening on Thursday 6 February at 5.30pm.

Ms Graham & Ms Fay



ALERT! ALERT !ALERT!

Please be aware that head lice are present in school and we ask that you be vigilant in checking your children's hair for head louse(nits). Parents need to check their children's hair at least once a week for head lice and if found, treat their hair before sending to school.

Join Maitland Hockey Association's Hook into Hockey Program



Suits Boys & Girls U6 to U16 years of age
Starts: Wednesday 19 February to Wednesday 12 March 2014

Time: 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Where: Maitland Hockey Field, Maitland Park

Elgin Street, Maitland

Cost: \$50.00 includes Shin pads, stick, ball shirt and mouthguard

Register Here: www.maitlandhockey.org.au

Play Hockey this Winter

Registration Info Day and Training on Thursday
20 Feb 2013

Juniors (U6 – U18) – 5pm to 6pm

Women's – 6pm to 7pm

FUN, SAFE, ONE PLACE, ONE TIME

Further information Contact: Ros Sherlock
02 49335927 or Steve Orchard 0421 831 309

MAITLAND HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

RUGBY SINCE 1877



MAITLAND JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

Registration dates for season 2014:

Tuesday Feb 4, Thursday Feb 6 and Thursday Feb 18th
at Lorn Park Bowling Club, and Saturday Feb 8 at
Marcellin Park.

Tuesday and Thursday sessions are from 5pm to 7pm at
LPBC and the Saturday session is from 9am to 12pm
with canteen and BBQ.

Registration costs are all inclusive of registration,
insurance, referee fees, training shirt and water bottle.
There is no need to put your hand in your pocket for
anything else throughout the season.

Registration costs are:

Under 7s = \$50

Under 8s to Under 10s = \$120

Under 11s to Under 14s = \$140

Under 15s to under 18s = \$180

These prices are reasonable when you consider that
they include referees fees that were paid separately in
previous seasons. All boys will receive their training
shirt and water bottle at registration.

At all registration sessions we will also be selling shorts,
socks, headgear and a full range of Maitland Rugby
Club merchandise, including caps (snap back &
baseball), beanies, scarves and car stickers.

Mark these dates in your diaries and be part of the

DUNGOG JUNIOUR RUGBY LEAGUE

Dungog Junior Rugby League are excited to be kicking off
our training season on Tuesday the 4th February at 4.45pm
at Bennett Park.

Our special Guest for this training session will be the one
and only Wayne Bennett who will be assisting.

Wayne will be talking to the kids regarding Rugby League
and assisting in Coaching the children.

This is a great opportunity for all our players and all who
would like to try out Rugby League.

Ages from 5 to 18 are more than welcome.

Please like and share this post so all interested and in-
volved can see what great days we have ahead of us.

Registrations for Dungog Junior Rugby League will also be
available on this day from 4.00pm.

Registration will also be available this Saturday the 1st Feb
at Dungog RSL Club Starting at 11.00am.



PATERSON RIVER NETBALL CLUB INC.
ABN: 43 068 160 573
P.O. Box 136
Paterson N.S.W. 2421

2014 Netball Registration

WHERE: Paterson Public School Library

WHEN: Saturday 1st February 10am to
12noon

Wednesday 5th February from 3.30-5.30.

Saturday 8th February
10am to 12noon

New Players and Teams welcomed

Paterson River Netball Club

*For more information please contact Sue
on 0429385442 OR Shona on 49385563*



LOST

Goes by the name of sunny.

Flew away on the 26th January.
If you catch him or have seen him please
contact Bek; 49388366

P & C

Meeting

Tuesday

18th February

7.00pm

All

Welcome!

JUNIOR AFL CLUB



Max McMahon Oval, Rutherford

2014 Registration Dates

Sunday 9th February 10am-2pm

@ Woolworths Rutherford

Sunday 16th February 10am-2pm

@ Max McMahon Oval

NAB Auskick - 4 Years to 9 Years

\$75 (includes 2014)

Juniors - 9 Years to 17 Years

U9s / \$120 (includes shorts & socks)

U11s-U17s / \$150 (includes shorts & socks)

Youth Girls - 12 Years to 15 Years

\$60 (includes Shorts & Socks)

Register on-line at

www.maitlandsaints.org.au

*For further information please contact
Dave Bainbridge on 0411 239 814*

