



- keeping our school looking great!

Diary Dates:

Congewai Catch Up - Monday 14/3/16

Tell Them From Me Surveys - Monday 14/3/16 years 4 to 6

School Assembly—Monday 14/3/16 at 2:30pm

Kindergarten Best Start Reports to parents - Thursday 17/03/16

Last swimming lesson - Friday 18/03/16

Responsible Pet Program visit to school - Thursday 24/03/16 11:45– 12:25

Good Friday - Friday 25/03/16

Easter Saturday, Sunday, Monday - 26-28/03/16

Students return to school - Tuesday 29/03/16

Harvest Festival - Sunday 2/04/16

Last day of term - Friday 8/04/16

ANZAC Day Monday 25/04/16

Welcome to week 7.

We've a relatively quiet week ahead of us this week, with only swimming on Friday taking us away from curriculum lessons. Mr Boughton will be joining us over the next couple of weeks as I undertake Principal duties and participate in some training meetings. He will be with us each Friday until the Easter break, joining Mrs B and Miss Naysmith for swimming. I'm sure there'll be lots of guitar lessons popping up too.

Mr Boughton will be teaching the Primary class during Mrs B's maternity leave in semester 2, commencing in week 4 of term 3. We're still unsure of who'll be teaching the class for the first 3 weeks, but will let students and their parents know as soon as it is finalised.

Our Easter Basket raffle tickets went out last week, thank you to parents who have already returned sold tickets and money. Should you wish to sell more tickets, we are happy to provide more. Please bring all tickets and money into school well before the raffle draw, the more sold = more money toward our school's learning support program. The raffle winners will be drawn at our Hat Parade on Thursday the 24th of March at 1pm.

Our Hat Parade will celebrate decorated hats of all persuasions, colours and decorative items. Children may choose any theme they want, including Easter.

Prizes won't be given due to the number of students we have at our school, but we will be offering a special prize to the adult with the best hat who attends on the day. Please join us for lunch with our children, bring a lunch box and a cold drink, we're happy to offer tea and coffee. We're looking forward to seeing our family members on the day.

Our students did a great job of tidying our school during last Friday's Clean Up our School Day. With almost no 'rubbish' to collect, they decided it would be much more worth while to pick up sticks and tree debris from our grounds. Great job kids, you did well.

*Until next week,
Donna Stackman*



7 th March, 2016

Classroom News:

Speaking and Listening topic of the week: **If you could be any superhero at all, who would you be and why?**

Maths: Again, we're focusing on number and investigating position and shape.

Literacy: Over the next few weeks we are focusing on two forms of writing: Narratives (telling stories) and Persuasive text (convincing someone of your point of view)

Art: We are putting the finishing touches to some of our art projects, including our 'tshirts' and our graffiti art.

Library: We had visitors from the Cessnock Library today. Librarians from the library shared information with our students about what the library offers, how they could borrow and shared some great books.



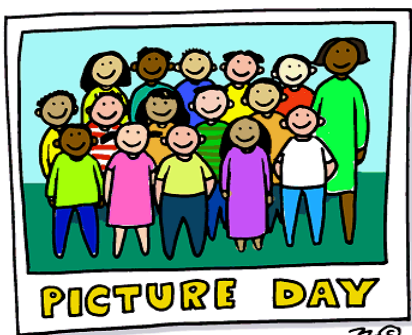
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School photos

Friday morning

(apologies for the incorrect day listed in last week's newsletter)

18th March at 9am

Staff in this week

Mr Boughton will be in several days this week and will be joined by Mrs Woodward on Wednesday when Mrs Beneke attends sports training.

Mrs Stackman will be attending our Cessnock area's Principals meeting on Friday.

EASTER RAFFLE

We now taking items for our Easter Basket raffles. Please bring goodies to the office.



It's Monday night!

Let's check for little unwelcome visitors in our kid's hair. With regular checks we can keep on top of any visits. We've had a few in the last couple of weeks, so let's all check.