



30th March, 2009

Term 1 Week 10

Calare Public School

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Dear Parents and Guardians

Well done to the children in 2W for their work that was on display in the foyer last week. This week the children from 2PB have provided some great art to brighten our foyer. Thank you and well done children.

I must warn everyone that the police will be monitoring driver behaviour in both Frost Street and Wentworth Lane over the next two weeks. Unfortunately a small minority of parents continue to put themselves before the safety of our children and I will continue to ask for these patrols until those few parents get the message.

Last week we had another four Interactive Whiteboards installed into classrooms. This brings the total number of smartboards in the school to 16 – one in the Annex and 15 in classrooms. As we now have 27 classes we still have to find the funds to purchase another twelve. The P&C will be devoting all its fundraising efforts this year to this task and will be looking forward to your strong support. By the way another 12 Interactive Whiteboards will cost approximately \$72000!

Have a lovely week

Mike Willis
Principal

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Due of technical problems, it is necessary to retake all class group photos - not individual portraits.

Photos will be retaken next Monday 6th April.
2009.

Please ensure your child/ children are wearing full summer uniform including white socks for girls and grey socks for boys.

ASSEMBLIES:

Parents, guardians and friends are invited to attend Assemblies each Friday of the even weeks of the school term (Week 2,4,6,8,10). These assemblies are held in the hall at the following times.

Stage 1 - Kindergarten, Yrs 1 & 2 at 11:00am
Stage 2 - Years 3 & 4 at 9:30am
Stage 3 - Years 5 & 6 at 12:35pm

EASTER CELEBRATION UPDATE:

* Donations of Easter Eggs for our major Easter Raffle are still being gratefully received. Thank you to those families who have already kindly donated eggs etc.

* A reminder that tickets can be returned to the TLC in the morning from 9am – 9:15am. All tickets must be returned by this Friday, 3rd April.

* The Easter raffle will be drawn on Tuesday, 7th April.

* K-2 Easter Hat Parade will be held on Tuesday, 7th April.

* Orders for K-2 Sausage sizzle close this Friday, 3rd April.

Marangdhu Waluwin – Together in Good Health is an 18 month project aimed at addressing the health needs of Aboriginal children (aged 0-12 years) and families in the Orange Community.

The project is a collaborative approach between the Orange Community Health Service and the Orange Aboriginal Medical Service with funding provided by the Western Child Health Network.

Calare Primary School is the first school where the project will be piloted. The project will start with 1T in Term 2, 5A in Term 3 and 3T in Term 4, 2009.

One of the leading strategies used in Marangdhu Waluwin, is the program “Shake a Leg”. The program is being adapted to provide a local (Wiradjuri) focus and is run across the whole classroom in a culturally sensitive way. Local Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal health staff will be used to deliver the 40 minute sessions and it is written to meet key areas of the school curriculum in Physical Education, Health and Personal Development (PE/H/PD). Some of the key topics will include Nutrition, Oral Health, Otitis Media, Physical Activity, Identity and Drugs and Alcohol.

Other strategies of Marangdhu Waluwin include a school wide art competition to promote the project, fun health days at Calare Primary for participants and families, traditional Aboriginal games, newsletter inserts promoting health messages based on the topics learnt and other services provided by the Orange Aboriginal Medical Service.

Parents are encouraged to come along to the school sessions. Information will be sent out with participating students as the program is rolled out. Contact Belinda Lee or Albert Ryan on 6393 3300 at Orange Community Health for more information.

ANZAC DAY

IN SCHOOL ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

Our in school commemoration service for Anzac Day will be held on Wednesday, 8th April commencing at 12 noon in the bottom quad. Children are requested to be in full school uniform for the ceremony. Parents are welcome to attend this service however limited seating will be available, as the ceremony will be held under the covered area in the bottom quad, providing protection from the weather for parents, should it rain, will be difficult. Thank you for your understanding.

If you have a family member that is either an ex-serviceman / woman or is currently serving in the armed forces who would like to participate in our ANZAC Day ceremony by laying a wreath then please contact the office leaving your name and contact details. Unfortunately due to the large numbers of people who participate in this ceremony we would respectfully request that you bring the wreath / flowers that you lay.

COMMUNITY ANZAC DAY CEREMONY:

Students from Calare Public School are invited to take part in the Anzac Day March in Orange on Saturday, 25th April 2009. All students, K-6 who are able to attend need to note the following information;

- Full winter uniform including tie with long sleeve shirts (grey jumper – not sloppy joe. Girls should wear grey trousers or tunic with grey stockings). The weather will determine whether the jumper is worn for the March.
- Assembly point is in Sale Street opposite Newey’s Dry Cleaners at 10:00am. Staff will be present to meet and arrange the students into lines.
- The March commences at 10:20am (assemble at 10:00).
- The March is down Sale & Summer Streets to the Cenotaph in Robertson Park.
- At the conclusion of the March, students may remain with parents and attend the Remembrance Ceremony at 11:00am or leave with parents. The service is quite long and aimed at an adult level and it is not necessary for children to attend. We will be represented by our School Captains, who will lay a wreath.
- All parents will collect their children in McNamara Lane behind Robertson Park at the end of the March.
- Students are requested to carry a safety pin to wear a sprig of rosemary. If you can provide pieces of rosemary on Anzac Day, this would be appreciated.

This year ANZAC day falls in the school holidays, and although we understand numbers may be down, we are still encouraging those children who may be in Orange to participate in the march.