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NEWSLETTER NO 23:

WEEK 2 TERM 3

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to the children of 1PW for the excellent work that brightened our foyer last week. You certainly are doing some great things with Mrs. Priest and Mrs. West!

Congratulations to our Girls Touch Footy team, they defeated Orange East 20-0. Well done girls and well done Mr. Keed! Tomorrow, Ms. Beahan and the Boys Touch Football team are playing Forbes. Good luck boys, I know you'll do your best and enjoy yourselves into the bargain.

Tomorrow we will have some children participating in the University of NSW Maths Competition. Good luck to those boys and girls and again, I know they will do well for themselves and our school.

Last week we had a little hysteria when a dead cat was found on Cutcliffe Park. I assure every parent that, apart from the fact that some of our children found the cat, it had nothing to do with our school or any of the children at our school. The police are looking into the matter and have some names!

Finally, a big thank you to parents for making alternative arrangements for their children last Friday to enable the staff to attend an outstanding Staff Development Day.

Have a lovely week

Mike Willis
Principal



LIBRARY NEWS;

BOOK CLUB: *Book Club will be given out today. This issue is due back on Tuesday 12th August, 2008.*



OVERDUE BOOKS: *Children who have overdue books will be given notes during their lesson this week. Please check with your children. If they bring home a note, the books would have been borrowed before the holidays.*

SPORT:

GIRLS TOUCH FOOTBALL:

Last Thursday, the Girls Touch Football team defeated Orange East Public School 20 to 0. The girls will now go on to play Orange Public School. We are waiting confirmation from Orange Public School, on the time and place it will be played as it is their home game.

BOYS TOUCH FOOTBALL:

Good luck to our Boys Touch Football team who will be playing Forbes Public School tomorrow at 11am on Cutcliffe Park.

Good luck to both teams.

P&C NEWS:

Penguin Portraits are visiting the school on Sunday 10th August. We have received fantastic feedback in previous years on the quality of the portraits and value for money.

A timber framed, colour family portrait can be purchased for \$15 (larger packages are also available). Penguin Portraits will also be offering a bonus portrait with grandparent/s for each family on the day. Portrait bookings will be made on a first come first serve basis, therefore the order form and money should be returned to the office as soon as possible to secure an appointment time and save disappointment.

Also, at the last P&C meeting the girls school uniform was discussed and we will be moving to change the girls summer school socks from blue to white and girls to wear the school sports shorts instead of a netball skirt.

REPORT FROM SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY

We were very fortunate to have the presence of a keynote speaker, Andrew Fuller, at the Orange District Staff Development Day. He gave an outstanding presentation and in the next few weeks we will be including hints from his book "Help Your Child Succeed at School" in our Newsletters.

Handy Hints for Improving Learning

No. 4 How much Television viewing should I allow my child to watch if I want them to succeed at school?

There is growing evidence to suggest that any TV viewing for children under the age of two impairs their ability to concentrate. As children develop, a small amount of television viewing is positively associated with academic achievement. A nine year old shouldn't watch more than one and a half hours per day. A thirteen year old shouldn't watch more than one hour a day.

Bad news for those of you with older children! At 17 years of age the optimal amount of TV viewing is half an hour per day.

While there is no real evidence on the amount of time spent playing computer games, it is a good idea to keep televisions and computers out of children's bedrooms.

From "Help Your Child Succeed at School" by Andrew Fuller

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REMINDER -
THEATRE TROUPE WILL BE
HELD IN THE HALL AT 8:30AM
ON TUESDAY MORNING.

SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Week 2:

Tuesday 29/7/2008

- * University Maths Competition
- * Boys Touch Football

Week 3:

Week 4:

Tuesday 12/8/2008

- * University English Competition

Thursday 14/8/2008

- * Band Eisteddfod

Friday 15/8/2008

- * District Athletics Carnival