Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of a busy term I’d like to thank staff for working so diligently with our children throughout the term, students for trying their best and respecting our school rules and parents for supporting all that we do at school.

As school breaks up for the April vacation this Friday afternoon I trust you’ll have a peaceful and safe break with your family. We look forward to seeing you again next term.

Miss Sue Bush  (Principal)

ANZAC Day

As ANZAC Day is at the end of the April holiday break it will be commemorated on Wednesday 30th April when we return to school in term 2. Anzac Day goes beyond the anniversary of the landing on Gallipoli in 1915. It is the day we remember all Australians who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. The spirit of ANZAC, with its human qualities of courage, mateship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity. Our school places great significance and remembrance on this solemn occasion.

All children need to be in full school uniform. We also ask parents to contribute flowers or greenery to make our class wreaths. The Ceremony will be held at the school flagpole (10.50am) and we invite all parents to attend the Ceremony and wreath laying.

Mrs. Hansell

Authority to Publish Notes

Please return the green Authority to Publish notes to the school office as soon as possible. Another is attached for students without notes.

‘Understanding Bullying’ Workshop

This Wednesday 9th April 6pm-9pm

This free workshop is a wonderful opportunity to equip parents with information about bullying and how to support your children. If you are interested in attending please contact the office.

Camp Payments

Stage 2 and 3 camp deposits need to be paid as soon as possible so we can confirm numbers. Please see the office for further information.

Coming up this week......

WEEK BEGINNING – 7/04/2014

Monday:

Tuesday:      Canteen Special: Hot Dog Day
                       Life Education

Wednesday:    Life Education
                       Parent workshop: Understanding Bullying

Thursday:

Friday:       Easter Celebration
**Easter Celebration**

We will be having an Easter Celebration this Friday 11th April. All parents and relatives are invited to attend from 1.30pm to 3.20pm. Students may wear mufti to suit the theme of their decorated hat.

The program will be as follows:

**1.30 – 2.30pm Lunch**

5 C and 6H Food Fair

Sausage on a roll for $3.00.

Other items will range from $1 to $5:

* Fruit & marshmallow kebabs, cup cakes, popcorn, chocolate crackles, Easter cupcakes, ice cream cones, spiders, milkshakes, fairy floss, fairy bread, ice cream cones and ice cream sundaes.

**2.30 – 3.20pm Crazy Hat Parade**

Students are invited to create or decorate a hat at home. It can be any theme eg Easter, funny, cartoon or movie character, sport, farmyard.

**P&C Easter Raffle**

The wonderful P&C Easter Raffle will be drawn. There will be special packs of Easter goodies to win and the main prize of a family pass to the Sydney Royal Easter Show.

A final reminder for donations which can be placed in the special Easter baskets in classrooms by this **Wednesday**. The class with the most donations will win an ice block for each student. Extra raffle tickets are available from the office. Please return tickets and money as soon as possible.

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**Life Education**

Happy Harold has arrived at school and will deliver his lessons tomorrow and Wednesday. Payment needs to be made for students to attend.

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**Garden Club**

Mr Dawe from the Royal Botanic Gardens has been assisting the Garden Club each fortnight. He showed us how to use a leaf from a plant in our garden to make music. The Aboriginal people used to believe that the whistle attracted snakes. The plant also has purple berries which are edible and taste nutty. It’s called the dianella plant.

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**PSSA Sport**

There will be try-outs for our winter PSSA teams (Junior mixed soccer, senior girl soccer, senior boys soccer) this Thursday. Successful students will receive notes to be returned as soon as possible as winter PSSA begins the first week back at school Term 2.
Annual School Report 2014

The 2014 Annual School report is now available for download from our school website or from the school office.

NAPLAN

The NAPLAN 2014 Tests for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be held on Tuesday 13 May, Wednesday 14 May and Thursday 15 May 2014. An information sheet is attached for students in years 3 and 5. Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at: http://www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html

Canteen Corner

Canteen Roster this week

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Happy Birthday to the following children for this week and in the holidays.....
Tiyana Jacovides, Jessica Csillag, Ryan Su, Amy Fraser, Cayden Boyter, Carrie Chen, Roy Lustra, Antonina Zampogna, Hope Ngao, Daniella Lustra, David Ros, Fatma Dunia, Christian Meduri

Term 1 Calendar

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An Invitation to a MOTHER’S DAY AFTERNOON TEA

We are having an afternoon tea for mums and grandmas on Thursday 8th May, from 2.30-3.20pm in the community hub.

We would enjoy your company for a cuppa and cakes and the opportunity to chat for a while. Please feel free to bring your children, as we will provide juice and biscuits for them.

We look forward to seeing you.

Kemps Creek P&C Association

MOTHER’S DAY RAFFLE

Raffle tickets will go home this Friday afternoon for our fabulous Mother’s Day raffle. There are 6 baskets ranging from a Laundry basket full of goodies valued at $364 to other bags and boxes valued from $305 to $56.

It will be drawn at the afternoon tea on 8th May.