**CALENDAR**

**TERM 1**

**March**
- 14th Thurs: Selective High School Test
- 15th Fri: High School 2014 EOI forms
- 19th Tues: Yrs 5&6 Syd Dance Theatre
- 21st Thurs: Harmony Day & International Food Fair
- 22nd Fri: World Water Day
- 25th Mon: School Photos
- 28th Thurs: Earth Hour for Schools
- 29th Fri: Good Friday

**April**
- 1st Mon: Easter Monday
- 5th Fri: Ride-a-thon
- 12th Fri: Last day of Term 1

**Students return**
Wednesday 1st May 2013.

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**WEEK 5**

**Student of the Week**

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**Value of the Week**

😊 **Resposibility** 😊

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**Good number sense**

Maths is a numbers game but for some students - and parents - the figures don’t add up. Here are some strategies to help kids to work out sums in their heads in a way that makes sense to them. Find out more:


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**Removing head lice and nits**

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they’re not dangerous. Here’s everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits. Find out more:

Essay planning
Kids often rush headlong into essay writing tasks without thinking through what is required. Effective essay planning can involve brainstorming, mind-mapping, and organising notes depending on the question and type of response required. These factsheets explain everything. Find out more:

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Reading with your child at home
When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life - whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list - it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading. Find out more:

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Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Reading Challenge encourages students to take up reading as an activity of choice in their leisure time and ultimately enhances literacy performance in our schools. It is a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. The school has registered all students in the 2013 Challenge. More information about the 2013 Premier’s reading Challenge and all the latest news is available at:

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From the Principal’s Desk…..
Congratulations Charlie (4/5/6H) who represented our school at the District Swimming Carnival held last week at Mascot. Although he didn’t win his events he placed:
4th ------ 12yrs 50m Breaststroke Final
6th ------Open 100m Freestyle
7th ------ 12yrs 50 Freestyle Final

A FANTASTIC effort!!

Book club orders have been distributed to those students who purchased items. The new catalogues will be distributed shortly.

Just a reminder to parent to return the “Media Permission” forms asap. Thank you to those parents who have already returned notes to enable the school to update its records.

Peter Johnston
Principal

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National Ride2School Day
The theme this year is "GREENING" your bike. Students are asked to dress their bikes in anything green and using any recycled materials. There will be a bikers breakfast and bike decoration activities provided on the morning.

Remember! We can win a $1000 and a trophy if we have the MOST number of riders.

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Uniform Shop
This Friday is your last chance to purchase school uniforms at school. After Friday school uniforms may only be purchased online.