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DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Congratulations to all the students who participated at the District Swimming Carnival. Everyone tried their best and showed great sportsmanship. Thank you to Mrs Alcock and Mrs Johnston and to the parents who attended.

Well done to 2 students for making it to the Regional Carnival.

P&C AGM
Just a reminder, that the P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 6 March 2013. Please come along to the school library at 7:00pm

TEXTBOOKS AND CHAIRBAGS
Thank you to the many parents who have paid for their child’s textbook and school contributions. Please pay for your child’s textbook and chair bag as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

STUDENT BANKING
Thank you to Rodney Bryce and Tammy Carmichael for organising the student banking. The students are very excited about this initiative and are looking forward to having their own bank accounts.

READING WITH YOUR CHILD AT HOME
When your children 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.


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)...

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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: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits

PLAYGROUP IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM
Do you have little ones who want to play with other children? Or do you want to chat with other parents over a cup of coffee?

Then “Come and Play” each Friday morning from 9:00am – 10:30am in the Community Room.

Please join us Friday mornings. It’s Free!

Barbara Hornung
Principal

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Just a reminder that our Woolworths BBQ is on Saturday, 16th March starting from 7:30am.

We still need parent volunteers so if anyone would like to help out please contact Donia Zillmann on doniazillmann@hotmail.com.

Also, don't forget our Easter Egg raffle. There will be a box in the office from this Friday, 8th March for Easter Egg donations. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade just before 3:00pm.

Raffle tickets will be going home next week.

Thank you
Fundraising Committee

Lebanese Pizza Day

Monday, 18 March 2013

Orders need to be in by Friday, 15 March 2013

All orders will need to be individually picked up from the canteen on the day.

Pizzas available include:
- Oregano - $2.00
- Meat - $3.00
- Cheese - $3.00
- Vegetarian - $3.50

For Grandparents/Harmony Day on Thursday, 4 April we will be having a Lolly Day which will also include ice cream spiders, cupcakes and muffins, cookies and for adults soft drink, tea and coffee.

Thank you
Kandie and Angela

Lebanese Pizza Day
Order Form

Please choose from the following:

☐ Oregano - $2.00
☐ Meat - $3.00
☐ Cheese - $3.00
☐ Vegetarian - $3.50

I have enclosed the correct money for this order.

Name: ____________________________
Class: ____________________________

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The Bunyip of Berkley’s Creek

Book Review

Late one night at Berkely’s Creek a mysterious creature came out of the creek.

The mysterious creature had scales on his legs that were shiny and silver he also has wallaby-like fur and an emu-like tail. He is a very lonely, caring and kind character in the book.

Once he came out of the creek he met a platypus who said “you’re a Bunyip”.

Then the Bunyip met a wallaby who said “Bunyip’s are horrible.” After he met the wallaby he met an emu who said they were horrible too.

Meanwhile he met a man who was a scientist (a very rude scientist) who said “Bunyips simply don’t exist.”

He was very sad because he had no friends so he fished his things from the creek and set off to find a new home. The Bunyip found a little billabong. That nigh something stirred at the bottom of the billabong. The mysterious creature sat on the bank very muddy and yelled out “what am I!” It shouted then the Bunyip jumped up and yelled “You’re a bunyip.” Then he gave her a mirror to prove it.

I think this book is awesome. It should be read by everyone. The illustrations are really good. Some other books I have read from the same author and illustrator are John Brown Rose and The Midnight Cat which are really good books also. The Bunyip of Berkley’s Creek is a very Australian book because there are lots of Australian animals. I think this book is really good for kids of all ages. I think you will enjoy this book as much as I do.

Tayla
Simple band with streamers
Age range: Five plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
Card, tissue, glue, scissors.
What to do:
Cut a strip of card to fit over the top of the head and make some simple leave-paper flowers to stick on. Cut some strips of tissue-paper to hang down on either side of the head.

A strip of card can be attached at the back to keep the headband in place.

Cone-shaped hats
Age range: Five plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
Card, stapler, glue, scissors, streamers, pompons, decorations.
What to do:
Cut out circles of strong card. Remove a triangle as shown in the diagram and fold it to make a cone. Secure it firmly.

For a clown's hat add a row of pompons. For a witch or wizard's hat, add a brim and decorate it extravagantly.

Headbands
Age range: Five plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
Strong card, glue, paper for cut-outs, felt-tipped pens, beads or buttons for decoration.
What to do:
Cut the headband to fit the child's head and decorate with felt-tipped pens, crayons, painted cut-outs or buttons etc.

Rabbit mask
Age range: Six plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
Card, pieces, felt-tipped pens, strips of gummed paper, stapler or glue.
What to do:
Cut out from the card the two main shapes for the face as shown in the diagram. Fold a sheet of card in two, draw the ears and cut them out.

Cut from the top of the lower part of the mask, overlap the two pieces, and staple them together. Then staple on the upper part of the mask, and glue or staple on the ears. Add the features using either cut-out shapes from gummed paper or felt-tipped pens.

If the masks are to be held they could be attached to sticks and held to the face.

Chicken mask
Age range: Six plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
Card, paints, felt-tipped pens, strips of gummed paper, stapler or glue.
What to do:
The mask is made in the same way as the rabbit mask (see page 79); just the two component parts are different.

Cut and overlap the lower part which makes the beak, and attach it to the upper part with staples. Cut the eyes from gummed paper or colour with paints or felt-tipped pens. Finally fold the lower part of the beak.

Floral headband
Age range: Five plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
Tissue-paper flowers, large paper bow, glue, strip of strong card.
What to do:
Make the headband to fit the child's head (see page 76). Decorate it with flowers and add a large paper bow at the back.

Wide-brimmed hat
Age range: Five plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
Tissue-paper, crepe paper, card, glue, scissors.
What to do:
Cut a large circle of card. Place the smaller circle in the centre of the large circle and draw round it. Fill the circle with crushed tissue-paper and glue the small circle on top. Finish off with a long crinkled-paper ribbon attached at both sides of the large circle.

Dolely Easter bonnet
Age range: Five plus.
Group size: Individuals.
What you need:
A paper daily 10 cm diameter or a circle of paper cut to achieve a similar lacey effect, a circle of thin card or contrasting colour—large enough to fit the head, ribbon or wool, odd bits and ends of tissue-paper, foil, cellulose, or glue.
What to do:
Make tissue-paper flowers by folding small squares into bowel and holding them to make a stem. Poke the stems of the flowers through the doilies, stick them down firmly on the wrong side and leave them to dry. Cut two lengths of ribbon or wool long enough to tie around the chin and tie to either side of the card circle. Stick the decorated doily on top of the circle to complete the hat. Add a few more decorations of your choice for extra effect.
Eggorama

This interesting project is an annual project for all Stage 3 students.

**TASK:** You are to make a diorama that describes the meaning of a word that begins with the syllable “ex”. Some examples that you might choose from are:

- Explain
- Exhume
- Extensions
- Excursion
- Execute
- Experiment

The list is long and your dictionary will give you more to choose from.

You must build a diorama inside a box (a shoe box is ideal but it is okay to use a bigger box).

The word being described must be spelt with the “ex” replaced by “egg”. For example you would “Eggestminator” instead of “Exterminator”. The characters in your display would be painted eggs.

The drawing above should give you an idea of what is required.

Please bring it to school on Wednesday 27th March for the Easter Parade. Remember, you must prepare your diorama at home between now and Wednesday 27th March. Do not bring it before then or some other students may copy your idea.

Let’s see some creative and imaginative efforts!