Canberra Excursion - From all accounts our students, parents and staff are really enjoying their 4 day trip learning about our nation’s capital. We look forward to their return tomorrow at around 5:30 pm.

Facebook - Is a great way of communicating with others when it is used with sincere intentions. It is important for everyone to remember that whatever is written stays in print for a long time. Please remember before you speak... think! Is it true? Is it helpful? Is it inspiring? Is it necessary? Is it kind? Children learn from adult modelling and we all need to set a great example for our students.

Uniform - Thank you to parents/carers for helping our students to wear their uniform with pride by wearing the correct uniform each day. Don’t forget Friday is Sports Day and our children wear their sports uniform with navy or white socks. Joggers are black or white.

Fathers Day + breakfast - WOW! What a great response to our Father’s Day Stall last week. Children had a great selection of gifts for the men in their life. Thank you to the P&C helpers for helping our students at the stall. The “BLOKES” breakfast is next Monday morning. We have had a fabulous response and we are looking forward to seeing our men for breakfast.

Science and Engineering Challenge - In the last week of the term Year 5 and 6 will attend a challenge day at Saint Peters High School Maitland. This will be a great opportunity for our students to test their skills and knowledge in Science. A note has been sent home. On the last Friday of term, 19th September, they will also participate in a 13 km bike trail challenge. Students will receive a note next Monday. Check your bike is in great working order!

Discipline Policy—-Two weeks ago we sent out an updated version of the school Discipline Policy to all families. Please check with the office or your child to ensure that you have a copy.  

Sue Holt—Relieving Principal

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**Important Dates:**

- 2-5 Sep: Canberra Excursion Year 5/6
- 8 Sep: Father’s Day Bloke’s Breakfast
- 16 Sep: Science & Engineering Challenge Year 5/6
- 19 Sep: Bike Day Yr 5/6—last day of term
- 7 Oct: First Day Term 4
- 15 Oct: Kinder 2015 Orientation 1
- 16 Oct: C.P.R for Students
- 24 Oct: Kinder 2015 Orientation 2

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**Kinder Enrolments 2015**

Names are now being taken for Kindergarten 2015, we currently have 18 Kinders on our list. Please call at the office to add your child’s name to our list. If you know of any new families that will be joining our Kinder class in 2015 could you please let them know to call at the office. Enrolment packs were sent home today and our first Kinder orientation will be Wednesday 15 October 2014. When returning your child’s enrolment forms please provide their immunisation details and proof of residential address along with their birth certificate so we can take a copy, thankyou.

**Mulbrin Cricket Club**

Mulbrin Cricket Club is seeking Junior and Senior players for the upcoming season. The club will have Milo cricket for boys and girls ages 4-8yrs, which will be held on Thursday afternoons, also for the juniors there are under 10’s and under 12’s teams, and hopefully enough for an under 14’s team. Senior players are also invited to fill 1st, 2nd and 4th grades teams. All enquiries to Craig Wyborn on 0409 780 687.

**Year 5/6 Science & Engineering Challenge**

Year 5/6 will be participating in a science & engineering challenge on Tuesday 16 September 2014. Parent transport will be required, notes were sent home last week.
Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Lloyd D and Rhett D for successfully completing this years Premiers Reading Challenge. The challenge is now closed and Mrs Pynsent would like to congratulate all those students who completed this years challenge.

Intensive swimming scheme

An expressions of interest note will be sent home next week for children in years 2 to 6. Please note that it will be compulsory for all year 2 and 3 students. The program will commence on Monday the 27th October until Friday the 7th November. A bus will be provided to and from swimming if we are able to get enough numbers. The bus will be subsidised by the school. The approximate cost for students to attend the 9 day program will be $30.

Bloke’s Breakfast

This year the school will be hosting a ‘Bloke’s Breakfast’ as part of the Father’s Day celebrations on Monday 8 September from 8:15am – 9:00am. The breakfast has been a great success in the past and we are encouraging the ‘Blokes’ to come along and enjoy some time with the children. Please return invitation with numbers for catering by Thursday 4 September 2014.

Father’s Day Raffle

The winners of the fathers day raffle were Madison K, Darcy B, John Orr, Matilda Dodd, Leonie Mascord and Tara Crossley. Congratulations to all our winners. The P&C would like to thank the school community for your continued support.

Uniform Lotto

Uniform Lotto began last week, students in full school uniform who are drawn out are able to choose a healthy ice block or a prize from the dip box.

Making Friends Show

Mrs Harley conducted an interview with two students from Mrs Fairlie’s class regarding the “Making Friends Show”. She was informed that the show taught the students the best ways to make friends and keep them. Chevelle B and Izaiah W learnt that sharing, being kind, and not being a bully were ways to keep friends. Rella S and Liam O were on the stage to help with the performance.
# Kearsley Canteen Roster - Term 3 2014

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All volunteers who work in the school canteen, reading groups or who volunteer and are on school grounds need to pay a membership fee to be covered for insurance purposes. Please pay your $2.00 P & C / Canteen membership to the school office ASAP. Amy Archibald is doing canteen rosters and can be contacted at amykarchibald@gmail.com for any questions regarding rosters.
Be healthy – be active
Children and adults need physical activity every day. Activity helps build better bones, muscles, joints and helps maintain a healthy weight. Physical activity can also reduce the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers. Get active anyway you can - walking, riding, swimming, and playing active games such as Duck, Duck, Goose or Bull Rush.
Spring Awakening

Friday 12 September from 6.30pm

Cessnock TAFE Grounds, Darwin St, Cessnock

A family friendly festival with entertainment & activities including story-telling & drumming workshops, to be held in the Cessnock TAFE grounds which will be transformed with fire, lantern & lighting installations. This is a FREE event designed to step you out of the ordinary and into the extraordinary!

Bring your friends, a chair, a rug & a picnic - or warm yourself by the fire with a hot chocolate.

Free lively entertainment and plenty of delicious food choices will keep your warm, delighted and well-fed.

Why not make your own lantern to bring along? Lantern making workshops are being held at Cessnock Performing Arts Centre on 27 August at 2pm and 6 September at 11am.

Call CPAC on 4990 7134 to reserve your place!

Good for Kids

Nutrition in Schools Policy

In Term 3, 2011 DEC introduced the “Nutrition in Schools Policy”.

As the policy suggests all schools should promote and model healthy eating and good nutrition in school programs and activities relating to or involving food and drink.

This includes the school canteen, all school fundraising, school function catering and in-class rewards.

It also stipulates that school canteens are required to implement Fresh Tastes @ School - NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy.

Our school is supportive of this policy and is working with the team at Good for Kids to ensure that our school activities reflect this policy.

We would encourage any parents or carers who are interested in helping our school work towards this goal to come to our schools P&C meeting to be held at (insert date and time) to review our schools fundraising strategies and school events that involve food and drink.

Reference:

1 DEC Nutrition in Schools Policy
In Season in Autumn

Broccoli

Although not known as a favourite of children’s, some young Crunch&Sippers actually love eating raw broccoli for their classroom fruit and veg break. Broccoli is packed with goodness including fibre, vitamin C, potassium, folate and more. If growing your own broccoli, it is important to cool as soon as possible after harvest otherwise small yellow flower heads will develop rapidly, which are bitter in taste. Often you may see boxes of broccoli arriving into the green grocers covered in ice to prevent them from maturing further.

In Season Now - Cauliflower

Hello, I’m a cauliflower - a cousin of the cabbage family. Want to know a secret? We’re not really flowers at all, or even a group of flower buds. We’re a bunch of tiny stems! Like our cabbage relatives we contain substances called indoles, which scientists are researching because they may help give protection against some types of cancer. We prefer to be grown in cool, dry weather, on clay-like to sandy soil with plenty of access to water. To choose the best of us select firm, compact, creamy-white heads with florets pressed tightly together. A yellow tinge indicates over-maturity. Chop us up raw for school, when it’s Crunch&Sip® time, we really get loud!
Tuning in to Kids

A six session parenting program for parents of children aged 2 years to 12 years

Would you like to learn how to:

- be better at talking with your child?
- be better at understanding your child?
- help your child learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- teach your child to deal with conflict?

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop *emotional intelligence*. Children with higher emotional intelligence:

- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- have better concentration at school
- are more able to calm down when upset or angry
- tend to have fewer childhood illnesses

**Where:** Samaritans Information & Neighbourhood Centre
198-202 Vincent Street, Cessnock

**When:** Wednesdays, 15, 22, 29 October 2014 and 5, 12 and 19 November 2014.
9.30am to 12pm

No childcare available

**Contact:** Cessnock Family Support Service
Phone: 4990 4507

*Contact service to register for attendance or further information*
Helping Families Build Better Relationships

We know sometimes families will experience challenging situations. If you require assistance when this is happening to your family we are here to provide help and support. Some of the ways that we may assist are:

- Provide encouragement and information to parents/carers to enhance their parenting role in a positive way
- Provide information and counselling to parents/carers where there are concerns with:
  - Raising children
  - Children’s behaviour
  - Grief, loss or change
  - Mental health
  - Self esteem
  - Social isolation
  - Lack of family support
- Provide information/counselling to parents/carers who are experiencing domestic and family violence

Our Service Offers:

- Generalist counselling
- Short term Case management
- Home visiting
- Parental support
- Parenting programs
- Practical skills groups
- Advice and information
- Referrals to other services
- Advocacy

Cessnock Family Support Service is a free and confidential service