CHANGES TO THE NEWSLETTER

We are going to trial a new newsletter format between now and the end of the term. The current format which includes upcoming events, class news, photos and permission notes is taking far too long to produce and while it looks absolutely fantastic I think we are overloading you all with too much information.

We receive daily phone calls from parents asking about upcoming activities, the information which has already been set out in detail in the school newsletter. While we are very happy to provide the information again it has highlighted that our current newsletter format may not be user friendly.

In addition to this a lot of parents may not be receiving or are not reading the newsletter as we are still having to make daily phone calls to parents to return permission notes for school activities and sporting events. The newsletter is generally sent out with students every Thursday, please check your child’s bag so that you are familiar with upcoming events. The newsletter is also placed on the school website and the skoolbag app.

School photos and class news can be seen on the school website. www.wooli-p.school.det.nsw.edu.au This information will be updated on a regular basis.

Permission notes for school activities will now include a closing date. As a school we need to organise transport and teaching staff to supervise activities, this task is made impossible when we are still ringing parents for permission as we are loading other students onto buses.

A lot of our activities involve students from other schools, it is terrible to let these schools down at the very last minute.

The P&C have been given a plan for the year of our proposed school activities, all staff have been asked to ensure that activities are planned well in advance.

A COPY OF THIS DRAFT PLAN IS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL FOR YOU TO VIEW.

MINI OLYMPICS 23/3/16
FOR YEARS K-2

The event will be held at the Wooli Oval and we have invited other small schools to participate and represent an allocated country. We will be representing Brazil and the host city of Rio. So student are asked to dress in Green, Blue and Yellow (one or all of these colours) The day will commence at 10am. Students will be dropped off at the oval on the school bus. The P & C will be running a canteen on the day and students can pre-order a lunch pack which was included on the permission note sent out last week. Please return the permission note and order to school by Friday 18 March 2016 to allow for catering. We are looking forward to a fun filled day.

CHECK LIST

18/3/16 Mini Olympics Note return
18/3/16 EOI return for Yr 7 2017
21/3/16 Bookclub orders due
22/3/16 Mobile Library Day (Return Books)
P & C FUNDRAISER AT MINI OLYMPICS

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help out on 23/3/16 at the Canteen for the Mini Olympics. We are providing a sausage sizzle and drink combo lunch, plus seeking donations of cakes, slices or biscuits to be sold at the canteen, on the day. Please contact the school or Bella 0403314882, if you are able to donate sweets.
Thanks Bella

SOUTH GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT

Information was sent home last week with all our Yr 6 students outlining the High School’s information night and details on their Scholarship program for 2017 and Platinum Class Application. The information night is set for Wednesday 16 March from 5:30pm to 7pm. Parents are encouraged to take this opportunity to attend to enable an informed decision in the selecting the High School your child will attend next year. If for some reason you did not receive this package, please contact the office and we will issue you with another copy.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR YEAR 7 2017

An information guide and expressions of interest form was sent home yesterday with all students in Yr 6. It is very important that this form be returned on time by 18 March 2016.

FIRE BUG—REPORT ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS

There has been a spate of fire in and around the local area. Authorities have asked that we as a community be vigilant and report anything suspicious.

P & C TREASURER ELECTED

At last night’s P & C Meeting, James Bibby was elected Treasurer. Thank you James for taking on this role.

PROTECT YOUR MELON

From the first of March there have been new laws introduced to help keep cyclists safe on our roads. One of the simple laws that has not changed is the requirement to wear a helmet. Below is an extract from the Transport NSW website explaining the requirements for wearing a helmet.

Helmets

The helmet laws for cyclists of all ages in NSW help prevent head injuries and brain damage from falls and crashes. The Road Rules state that a bicycle rider on roads and road-related areas must wear an approved bicycle helmet securely fitted and fastened. This applies to all cyclists, regardless of age, including children on bicycles with training wheels and any child being carried as a passenger on a bike or in a bicycle trailer. The fine for not wearing a helmet has risen to $319. For further information on the changes go to http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/go-together/index.html
Wearable Art Workshop in Wooli on Sunday 13th March. Transform the treasures you collect at the beach or bush into stylish pendants using basic micro-macrame techniques. Everything you need plus take-home step-by-step instructions with photos is supplied free at the workshop. This is perfect afternoon for a parent with a child (over the age of 7) to attend together & then enjoy together. Contact Abbey, the workshop leader if you have any questions before the workshop on 6569 6653. Mums & Dad’s welcome.

Art-Box Wooli Skatepark. Sunday March 13th. 3pm til 6pm
This is a FREE youth activity provided by Clarence Valley Council.

Please remember to return your harvest bags for Gardening!!
Wooli tennis club

The Wooli tennis club is calling for members. We play on Sunday and Thursday afternoons at 4:30 on the Wooli tennis courts all welcome.

Please Contact – Di 66497742 or Donna 66497852.

Cost Fees
Fees $3.00 per person
$30.00 per year membership

Under 12 years Free with an Adult supervision.

LOCATION: Lane Boulevard Park, Skinner St (river end), Grafton
DATE: 14th of April 2016
BOOKING CLOSE: 8th of April 2016
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