Term 1 Week 6

Calendar

Week 7

Wednesday, 7 March  
Footsteps

Thursday, 8 March
P & C AGM

Week 8

Wednesday, 14 March
Footsteps

Week 9

Wednesday, 21 March
Footsteps

Wednesday, 21 March
Harmony Day

Principal’s Report

WOULD YOU LIKE TO WIN AN IPAD?

You will receive the PSP survey on Monday and it needs to be returned ASAP. It is most important, as the information may assist the school in attracting funds for programs in Literacy and Numeracy, as well as the purchasing of resources. Students will be given a lollipop on returning the survey and will also go into the draw for the iPad.

You will have received a permission note for your child/children to participate in the Footsteps dance program that begins on Wednesday next week, March 7. The kids had a great time last year. The cost of this program is just $2.50 per week for 5 weeks. Please return the notes and payment to the front office as soon as you can.

COOKING FOR ADULTS! Next Wednesday morning Mrs Langworthy will be running a cooking session in the cooking room for interested parents/carers. The session will begin at 9:45am and conclude at 10:55am. There will be a small charge of $2 per head to cover the cost of ingredients. If you are interested can you please leave your name with the office staff before Wednesday so that catering arrangements can be made. It will be lots of fun. Just ask the kids!

The P & C was unable to meet last Thursday due to the lack of numbers. If you have the time and are able to come along at **2pm next Thursday** you can find out more and help the school. Please contact either Mrs Lyn Steptoe or Mrs Florentine (Sina) Vehikite or talk to the office staff. I hope to see you there.

Next Wednesday is ‘World Read Aloud Day’. The school runs a read aloud program whereby teachers in every class read every day to the children from a selection of books. The school will be attempting for each class to be read aloud to at the same time on Wednesday. You might like to make a special effort to read to your kids when they get home that day.

I would like to thank Mrs Kristy Lawrence and Mrs Kylie McGrath who gave up their time to be trained as parent representatives for Merit Selection panels at the school. There are times when a panel is formed to assist with the selection of staff to work at the school. The panel requires a parent representative to be present. Both mums now are eligible to have input on behalf of the school community when the formation of a panel is necessary.

Hats are everywhere at school at the moment. Thanks for your fantastic help in assisting the teachers to keep your kids safe from the rays of the sun. Not only do they protect the children but they also look great.

Good luck to your football team on the weekend….especially if they wear blue and gold!

Kel Atkins
ES1 News

KB, K/1L, 1W

A note was sent home recently about the Premiers Reading Challenge. Children in Kindy and Year 1 are not expected to read the large numbers of books that the note talks about, and neither are their parents. **Ms Tansley and the class teachers will read the books to the students who will then receive an award at the end.** Please send the signed permission slip back to your child’s teacher so they can be a part of this important program. If you have lost the note (it’s pink) please ask your child’s teacher for a new one or just write a note indicating that you would like your child to take part in the Premier’s Reading Challenge.

Library day for Kindergarten is Tuesday and Monday for 1W. Please send a library bag, reusable shopping bag or old pillow case to school on those days so your child is able to borrow.

**House Awards**

**Week 4**
Johnaiya 3-4D (Dobell)
Zwarn 2-3H (Dobell)
Tristan 5-6M (Nolan)
Sajid 5-6M (Drysdale)
Jackson 3-4D (Namatjira)
Malaki 5-6M (Nolan)
Courtney 3-4D (Namatjira)
Amelia 2-3H (Namatjira)
Gerro 5-6M (Drysdale)
Alasika K-6K (Drysdale)
Lauren 3-4D (Dobell)

**Week 5**
Zwarn 2-3H (Dobell)
Caleb 5-6R (Dobell)
Coby 3-4D (Namatjira)
Junior 3-4D (Drysdale)

Marselleissa 5-6M (Drysdale)
Joshua Mosely 5-6R (Nolan)
Alicia K-6K (Drysdale)
Laetyl 4-5C (Drysdale)
Harry 5-6M (Dobell)

**TOTAL FOR WEEKS 4 & 5:**
Dobell - 300
Nolan - 150
Drysdale - 350
Namatjira - 200

**Week 4**
Dobell - 150
Nolan - 100
Drysdale - 150
Namatjira - 150

**Week 5**
Dobell - 150
Nolan - 50
Drysdale - 200
Namatjira – 50

**Community News**

**P & C**
The Annual General meeting has been postponed to next Thursday 8 March at 2:00pm in the Community room. At this meeting the Executive Committee will step down and a new Committee is voted in. The P & C Committee play an important role in our School and we would welcome any parents or caregivers to join. The cost of joining is $1-00 for the year.

**Lipstick Fundraiser**
Our lipstick fundraiser has been extended to next Thursday 8 March. Hurry and get your orders in before you miss out. Don’t forget profit raised from this will go to the Breast Cancer Council and our School for air conditioning.

Lyn Steptoe or Sina Vehikite
Community Liaison Officers
COMMUNITY NOTICE

Emerton PS welcomes and invites you all to our
FREE WORKSHOPS Wed & Fri 9.30 – 11.30am;

- **Arts and Craft**
  E.g., tapa designs & printing, crochet, knitting, pompon cushions, sewing etc.
  ** Some workshops may require minor costs for equipment/stationary **
- **Hippy (Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters)**
- **Fitness Class**, e.g., Zumba, Hularobics, Boxfit.

Upcoming workshops and services e.g., **TAFE outreach courses, Positive Parenting Program, Budgeting, cooking, computer, Genealogy classes, Pacific Island crafts, Health programmes, food tasting.**

If you would like to share your skills and talents or your thoughts and ideas you are most welcome, we would be delighted to hear from you.

**Playgroup** is available 3 times a week.
(Mon, Wed and Fri) from 9am – 11.30am.
** may require minor costs **

For more information please contact
Lyn Steptoe or Sina Vehikite
Community Liaison Officer
(02) 96286367.

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**Absentees**

If your child has been away sick or for any other reason and you have not sent a note, please fill in this form and return with your child to classroom teacher.

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**Absentee Note**

My child_________________________Class__________
was absent on the following dates:
________________________________________________________________________________________

Because:
________________________________________________________________________________________
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Parent/Guardian Signed________________________Date_____

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**Community Announcements**

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**Smarter Living Workshops and Demonstrations**

Saturday, 24 March at Hebersham Chapel
64 Pringle Rd, Hebersham
11am – 3pm

Come along for a selection of workshops and activities for the whole family. Learn how to live smarter and save money.

Some activities are:
- Worm farming
- Composting
- Handyman tips
- Plumbing jobs
- Car maintenance
- Further education
- Fun family activities and much more.

Proudly sponsored by Bunnings (Minchinbury) and TAFE (Mt Druitt)
Read to the moon…

World Read Aloud Day
Next Wednesday, 7th March, is World Read Aloud Day. Reading aloud to your children every day is one of the best things you can do to help them in their learning now and into the future.

Ideas for home for World Read Aloud Day
- Older children read to toddlers and babies
- Parents read to children, either a children’s book or something from the newspaper or anything of interest
- Children read aloud to parents, grandparents, each other, their toys or their pets
- Share the fun of reading together. Just 10 minutes can make such a difference.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON
JUNIOR INDOOR CRICKET

PH: 9623-5523  FX: 9623-5528

STARTING FRIDAY 30TH MARCH 2012

• Times from 4:30, 5:15, 6 and 6:45pm
• 6 A SIDE
• U/8- U/16- Boys and Girls
• $6 per game per child. A free playing shirt when registering!
• Individuals and teams welcome!
• REGISTRATION DAY:
• Sunday 18th March 9-3pm

Where to Find Us:
20 Forthorn Place
St Marys NSW 2760
info@stmarysindoorsports.com.au
www.stmarysindoorsports.com.au

Tae Kwon Do
Martial Arts Training
get in shape, have fun and learn to defend yourself
All ages welcome

Tuesday 7pm till 8:30pm
Tregear community centre
106 Ellsworth Drive,
Tregear
First lesson free
Classes commence from 13/3/12

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