

FACTA NON VERBA

Term 1 – 01. 04 .2009



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Principal's Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a Principal's award in Term 1: Evelyn Samuels, Henry Vu, Janice Lee, Alicia Molesworth, David Lee, Maggie Young, Rosae Sung, Richard Kim, James Kim, Daniel Park, Alex Xiao, Richard Thompson, Isabelle Chang, Rebecca Zhang. We are all very proud of your efforts!

Parent/Teacher Consultations

Communication between school and home is an integral part of public education. Thank you to all parents who attended the parent/teacher consultations this week and to the staff for their time in discussing student expectations and outcomes.

Student Toilets

A reminder that the girls and boys toilets are for Concord students only. Due to Child Protection issues adults should not be using these toilets. Adults, including parents with pre-schoolers may use the toilets outside the library block. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding on this issue.

Car Exhaust Fumes

Parents waiting to pick up students are requested to turn their car engines off. Our neighbours in Salisbury Street have complained about the number of parents waiting to pick up their children with their engines on, often for more than ten minutes. Please consider parking and walking to school to pick up your children.

ANZAC Assembly

Our Anzac Assembly, conducted by our captains and vice-captains will be held on Monday, 6th April at 10.30am in the School Hall. Special guests from the Concord sub-branch of the RSL will be attending. It would be appreciated if you could send

flowers and greenery to school on Monday morning so that class poems can be made up for our service. After the service our captains and vice-captains will take the flowers to the cenotaph in Queen Elizabeth Park. Parents and community members are very welcome to attend this Assembly.

Easter Parade

Our Easter Parade will commence at 11.45am on Monday, 6th April. Parents and community members are welcome to attend this parade. Any parents and community members attending the Anzac Assembly who wish to stay for the Easter Parade are invited to bring some morning tea and a picnic rug and have morning tea in our school grounds.

NAPLAN 2009

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be held for students in Years 3 and 5 from Tuesday, 12th May to Thursday, 14th May. A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for Friday, 15th May for students who missed a test or were absent on a particular day. **A separate letter to parents of all Years 3 and 5 students will be sent out this week. Please read the information carefully as access to special provisions and exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal before the 30th April and a parent/carer consent form must be signed. Please ring and make an appointment as soon as possible.**

Combined Scripture Service

There will be a combined Scripture service on Thursday, 9th April at 10.35am for students attending Catholic and Protestant lessons.

Term 2

Students will return to school on **Wednesday, 29th April**. The School Development Day on Tuesday 28th April is a pupil free day. The staff will be undertaking professional learning activities in the curriculum areas of Literacy and ICT on this day.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, 6th April - 10.30am Anzac Assembly
- 11.45am Easter Parade

Tuesday, 7th April - 6.00am - Stage 3 students
leave for Canberra

Thursday, 9th April - 8.30pm - Stage 3 students
arrive back

Thursday, 9th April - 10.35am - Combined
Scripture Service

Thursday 9th April - LAST DAY for Term 1

Wed. 29th April - FIRST DAY for Term 2

Friday 1st May - Winter PSSA starts

Tuesday 5th May - Cross Country Carnival

Friday 8th May - Mother's Day Stall by P&C

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday. Take care. Pina
Passarello

Community Announcement

Any Maronite Parents wishing for First
Reconciliation and First Communion for their
children are invited to a Reconciliation Enrolment
Meeting on Tuesday, 21st April at 7.00pm. The
Meeting will be at St. Joseph's Maronite Catholic
Church, 7 Acton Street, Croydon.

Holiday Events

City of Canada Bay Library Service's free April
2009 school holiday activities.

The Samba Experience - an energetic, fast-paced
'hands-on' percussion workshop using Brazilian
rhythms and instruments.

When: 2pm-3.30pm Thursday 16 April 2009

Where: Concord library 9911 6210

Suitable for 8-12 year olds

Murphy's Puppets - Harlequin to the rescue - Italy's
favourite clown harlequin, launches himself into
hilarious adventures and misadventures.

When: 2.30pm-3.13pm Monday 20 April 2009

Where: Five Dock library 9911 6310

Suitable for K-Yr 6

Bookings open Monday 30 March. Please contact
the library hosting the event.

Full details available on Council's website

www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au Your Loc

Stewart House 2009 Donation Drive



Issued with the newsletter today is an envelope
for the Student House 2009 Donation Drive. To
enter all you have to do is donate a gold coin
and then you have a chance to win a \$4000
FAMILY HOLIDAY organised through Diploma
World Travel. All envelopes need to be returned
to school by 8th May 2009 so that money can be
forwarded to Stewart House for the draw on the
29th May. The winner will be contacted by phone
and mail as well as being published in the
Sydney Morning Herald.
Thank you for your support.

Easter Hat and Pedlars' Parade



On Monday 6th April the SRC will be holding an
Easter Hat and Pedlars' Parade. The Parade
will start at 11:45 and will conclude by 1:05pm.

**The school expects all children to actively
participate in the parade.**

Children in classes K-2 will be involved in the hat
parade and the children in 3-6 will be involved in
the Pedlars' Parade. Children in K-2 will make a

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decorative Easter hat at home to bring on the day. Children in years 3-6 will participate in the Pedlars' Parade which will be incorporated in with the hat parade. They are asked to decorate

a tray and fill it with a selection of goodies that will then be sold to the rest of the school, visiting parents and friends. Some ideas for trays might include stationary, lolly bags, small toys, toffees, slices, Easter eggs etc. Trays may be made from cardboard boxes, ice-cream containers, baskets etc.

Any trays that are not disposable need to be clearly marked with a name and child's class. **Goods will range in price from 20c to 50c an item.** All money raised from the sale of these goods will be donated to a Charity nominated via the school Charity Leaders.

The P&C are donating a canteen voucher for each class. Every child that participates in the parade will go into a class draw to win the voucher for their class, which will be drawn during the parade. "You've Got to Be In It to Win It". Parents and friends are invited to attend the parade.

Miss Jones & SRC Leaders

K-2 Excursion



A glorious autumn day allowed all K-2 students to enjoy their first outing for 2009. After an unusually long bus ride through the city traffic we alighted to the peace of the Botanic

Gardens. However it wasn't long before an enthusiastic crowd woke the ever-present flying foxes, which seem to be in more trees than before. (Luckily we were wearing our hats!)



Our time at the Gallery went by quickly. The volunteer guides were informative and genuine in catering for our needs. Only a handful of students had been to the Gallery before so it was an entirely new experience for most. Students were delighted when they recognised paintings and sculptures that they had seen previously in print or via the Internet through the NSW Art Gallery's 'virtual gallery'. This venue would be a great return activity for parents looking for places to go in the holidays & for most exhibitions there is no cost involved.

The train ride through the Gardens was another highlight for all, except for Chloe. The time sitting down was all too short but Darren the train driver was informative and friendly and he made the last activity very interesting.

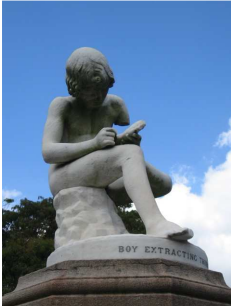


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Thank you to the teachers who braved the term one excursion and to Mrs Vellios, Mrs George, Mrs Tsang, Mrs Fan, Mrs Govorcin & Luka, Mrs Chang, Mrs Fan and Mrs Giles for your well needed assistance.

We hope you all come along again.

Ms Sharpe



Sculptures in the Gardens



Art in the Domain