

# FACTA NON VERBA

Term 3-15/09/09

## Principal's News

Dear Parents/Caregivers,



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **September:**

<b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>School Photo Day</b> <b>6-7pm Band Evening</b> <b>7-9pm P&amp;C Meeting</b>
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup>	Middle School Gala Day
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Spelling Bee Competition Finalists at Petersham PS
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 6 Fundraising Day
<b>October:</b>	
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Last day for Term 3
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	Students return for Term 4

## School Photos

School Photos are tomorrow, **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September**. Please ensure that all students arrive at school on time. **Family photos, Student Leaders, Captains and Prefects photos will be taken at 8.30am. Also, all students must come dressed in their full summer school uniform.**

A note was sent out last week with full details about photo day, please read carefully.

## NAPLAN Results 2009

Year 3 and 5 students were given their NAPLAN reports to take home yesterday. Congratulations to all year 3 and 5 students for their efforts and achievements. Please make an appointment with your child's teacher if you wish to discuss the results. If you would like further general information about the national literacy and numeracy assessment please visit [www.naplan.edu.au](http://www.naplan.edu.au).

## BER Projects Update

### **School building projects website**

A new website is now available for anyone seeking information about school projects being constructed in NSW under the three year \$14.7 billion, Building the Education Revolution (BER). This site is a fantastic source of information for school

communities to see how their project is progressing. Key features of the new site include Twitter, blogs and vodcasts which would allow instant communication about any program. Check it out at: [www.ber.nsw.gov.au](http://www.ber.nsw.gov.au)

## Principal's Awards

Congratulations to Maggie Young. Well done!

## New Alarm and Bell System

A new alarm system for evacuation and lockdown was installed last week. As parents are aware schools have drills for both evacuation and lockdown and this new system will allow us to safely undertake both. As part of this system we have also installed electronic bells for the school. The students are adjusting to this new system. Our lovely old bell has done a fantastic job over the years and will still be part of our school environment.

## Cabling of Gardiva Block

Cabling is almost completed. Computers for K-2 classes have been ordered. Very exciting news!

## Thank you

To the P&C for their contribution towards an Interactive Whiteboard and mulch for our play equipment.  
Have a great week. Pina Passarello

## Band News

### **\* Band evening is on this Wednesday 16th of September in the school hall!**

To all the band members, please arrive (if possible) at 5:40pm to set up your instrument and prepare your music. Please wear your school uniform for the performance and we will be starting at 6pm. I look forward to seeing and hearing you all at Band Evening!

All parents and students of the school are welcome to be part of the audience. A gold coin donation will be greatly appreciated on the evening.

Thank you, Ms. Wang (Band conductor)

## ICAS Spelling

29 students participated in the Spelling Competition. Students were assessed in the following areas: Dictation, Rules and Conventions, Proofreading and Correcting. Concord was awarded 1 High Distinction, 6 Distinction, 6 Credit and 16 Participation Certificates.

High Distinction	Distinction	Credit
Miju Seok	Charlotte Kwong	Gloria Kim
	Jessie Dhillon	Ling Liang
	Amanda Tong	Kiron Kemelfield
	Jasmine Park	Rosae Sung
	Michael Jun	Ben Montague
	Vivien Lee	Athina Mathioudakis
Participation		Andrew Liang
Petar Dabic	Allan Noh	Sagar Pradhan
Paulo Faria	Andy Wang	Patrick Liu
Thomas Chung	Janice Lee	Evelyn Samuels
Jayce Turner	Ryan Tunstead	Lachlan Lu
Declan Galagher	Phoenix Pyao	Leighton Fan

Congratulations to all students who participated.  
H. Senchenko  
Competitions Coordinator

## CITY RAIL INFORMATION

This information is for students who travel to school by public Transport.  
On Sunday 11 October a new CityRail timetable will start. The new timetable affects all lines throughout the CityRail network. As a result, many bus timetables will also change to facilitate connections with CityRail services. In some areas bus routes will also change.

You can now view the new CityRail timetables and other information about the changes at

**131500.com.au**. New bus timetables will also be available from this website in the near future.

Please make sure you are aware of these important changes as the new timetables will start during the school holidays.



### Home Reading

Congratulations to the following students who have read regularly at home to achieve:

#### 75 nights of reading

Daniel  
Richard

#### 100 nights of reading

Mridul  
Stephanie  
Alicia  
Giselle

#### 150 nights of reading

Maurice

Your teachers are really proud of you!!



Year Six  
Fundraising Day  
2009

Year 6 is holding a Fundraising Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2009. All students in the school will have an opportunity to participate in the planned activities and games which will take place from 11:00am until 1:00pm.

Tickets will be used to participate in the Fundraising Day activities. Tickets can be pre-ordered during Week 8 (14<sup>th</sup> September). Class teachers will collect the money daily. Year 6 students will prepare the tickets which will be distributed on the day.

**Tickets will be fifty cents each.** Four to five dollars worth of tickets should allow your child to be involved in a variety of activities. Extra tickets will be available on the day.

Students may dress in mufti on Fundraising Day. As most of the activities will occur outdoors your child should be suitably dressed to protect them from the sun and wear appropriate clothing and closed footwear (no sandals) which will allow for their participation in the planned activities.

The Fund Raising Day activities could include:

*Guessing Competitions*

*Mini-soccer*

*Disco*

*Face Painting*

*Shoot the Basket*

*Footy Pass*

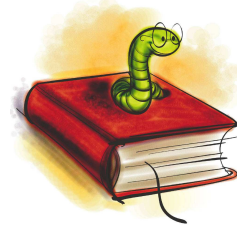
All money raised on the day will be used by Year Six to purchase a farewell gift for their school.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

H. Senchenko and S. McGee  
Stage 3 Teachers

## From the Library



The Premiers Reading Challenge for 2009 has come to an end and what a fantastic effort from the students of Concord Public School.

Congratulations to all **222** students who were able to finish the challenge. I know that all students tried very hard and only a handful of students were unable to complete the challenge.

Congratulations also to those students who have won weekly book prizes as part of the early finishers' competition.

Happy reading.  
Mrs Purcell

## SRC NEWS

The SRC have been promoting healthy eating in Term 3 through their Munchy Monday campaign.

Each week a class has been awarded a "Healthy Eater Award" for the highest percentage of students eating fruit and vegetables at recess.

The class awards have gone to:

3/4W - Week 2

3/4W - Week 3

3/4W - Week 4

2/3K - Week 5

2/3K - Week 6

3/4W & 4/5G - Week 7

3/4W - Week 8

Congratulations 3/4W. You have been outstanding!! There are still two weeks to go and the challenge is

set for another class to beat them. Come on K-2, we know you are having fruit for fruit break, and Years 5 and 6 bring out your competitive streak and pack yourself some fruit or vegetables.

Come on mum's and dad's and make sure you include fruit for your child's recess. Dietary guidelines state that we should have two fruits and eight vegetables each day. This helps you get a bit more into your child's day.

The challenge has also been set by Mr Crisafulli to have 100% consumption of fruit on Munchy Monday by a class. The class that achieves this gets their class photographed for the Home Page of the school website. So let's get MUNCHING!!

### **Miss Jones and SRC Leaders**

### **Kindergarten Enrolments for 2010**

Any child who turns 5 on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2010 is eligible to be enrolled for Kindergarten in 2010. If you, your friend or neighbour has a child who can start school next year, please come to the front office and collect an enrolment form. As staffing from year to year is based on enrolments, it always helps with future planning to know our anticipated numbers for the following year.

Kindergarten Orientation for 2010 students and parents is on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November**. Invitations to parents of students already enrolled for 2010 will be sent home before the end of this term.



Miss Jones  
Kindergarten Coordinator

## **NEWS FROM THE P&C**

### **NEW WHITEBOARDS**

The P&C has donated \$10,000 toward the purchase and installation of a new Interactive Whiteboard, plus additional software and a new laptop to be used for interactive learning by our children. This is a very exciting step forward in educational technology and we are very pleased to be able to provide financial assistance to enable the school to take this step. This money has been raised by our school community, through P&C fundraising projects, and also through profits from the canteen and the uniform store. Your input and support is always greatly valued.

### **FATHERS' DAY STALL**

We held our annual Fathers' Day Stall last week at the school and we would like to express our thanks to:

- ❖ Genevieve Clarke and Allie Oweis for their skilled organisation of the stall. Genevieve and Allie selected, priced and sorted all the items for the stall, ensuring that there was a good selection of different items and enough for everyone to choose from. Your hard work and time are appreciated – thank you;
- ❖ Our volunteers who ran the stall on the day – Gina, Margie, Sofia, and Maree. Thanks for giving your morning to assist the children to make their purchases;
- ❖ Our teachers for taking the time out of class to bring the children to the stall. We know that you fit a lot into each day, and we are always grateful for your support;
- ❖ Our mums (and dads) and grandparents who ensured that their children had money to come and buy a gift or two on the day;
- ❖ And, of course, to all the children who came along with their money and their beautiful manners. You make it such a pleasure for us to be there and provide this service.

Thank you to all.

## **FAMILY BUSH DANCE**

Our major fundraising event for the year will be a Family Bush Dance, to be held on the evening of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 5-8pm at the school. With the imminent construction of the new hall on the Stanley St side of the school, we are somewhat restricted in usable space, so we are considering the Bush Dance as a slightly more "intimate" event than usual. Whilst we will not be advertising this event outside the school community, we certainly welcome you to invite friends, family and neighbours if they wish to come along.

### **Tickets**

Entry will be by ticket only, and tickets will be able to be pre-purchased at school at the start of term 4, or also at the gate on the night. Watch for more information on this.

### **What's Happening**

We have a fabulous four-piece band and caller coming to perform for us under the COLA and will also have:

- BBQ and Korean food
- Gelato
- Face painting
- Animal Nursery
- Craft activities
- Lucky dip
- Cakes and preserves

and much, much more.

For those who crave a bit of competition, start getting your throwing arm ready for the GUM BOOT TOSSING. We will also be holding a raffle on the night, with tickets available beforehand and at the event, and an array of fabulous prizes to be won.

### **Raffle Prizes – please help**

We are still looking for some big ticket items as prizes for the raffle, so please contact Kylie Montague on 0417 244 901 or email [kpmonty@internode.on.net](mailto:kpmonty@internode.on.net) if you are able to offer a

prize (e.g. new items, or services – dinner at local restaurant, hair and beauty vouchers, other gift vouchers). The more prizes the better! Please help if you can.

### **Volunteers – please help**

Please let us know if you will be available to either co-ordinate a stall or volunteer some time on the night to help run a stall. We will need people to collect and sell tickets at the gate, help run the BBQ, help out with Korean Food stall, sell tickets at the "ticket booth", help out on the cake stall and canteen and many other activities. All we need is a minimum of an hour of your time – please email Nadia Young [mnvdyoung@gmail.com](mailto:mnvdyoung@gmail.com) with your availability and contact details if you can help.

### **NEXT P&C MEETING**

Our next meeting is this Wednesday, 16 September from 7pm, following the band performance.

Please join us – everyone is welcome!

Many thanks,  
*Kylie Montague*  
(President)

