

# NEWSLETTER

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GROWING AND DEVELOPING TO OUR FULL POTENTIAL

Term 4 Week 10

Monday, 10 December, 2012



## DIARY DATES:

11 Dec	Stage 1 Party Day Stage 3 Boys Education Information Session 6.00-6.30pm
13 Dec	Stage 2 Party Day
14 Dec	Kindergarten Party Day
17 Dec	Stage 3 Party Day
18 Dec	Year 6 Graduation and Farewell
19 Dec	Last day of school year SRC Talent Quest
24 Jan	Uniform Sales 1-4pm
25 Jan	Uniform Sales 9-12pm
29 Jan	Staff Development Day
30 Jan	Year 1-6 students return to school Kindergarten <i>Best Start</i> program Day 1
31 Jan	Kindergarten <i>Best Start</i> program- Day 2
1 Feb	Kindergarten <i>Best Start</i> program- Day 3
4 Feb	All Kindergarten students start

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin the final two weeks of the 2012 school year our school is still a buzz of excitement. We are looking forward to celebrating a great year with class party days, the Year 6 Farewell and the SRC talent quest. The last day for students is Wednesday 19 December. Staff will continue working on Thursday 20 and Friday 21 December as Staff Development Days.

## WESTERN SYDNEY WANDERERS MASCOTS

The fantastic relationship Metella Road has with the new A-League football team the Western Sydney Wanderers continued yesterday when students were asked to walk out on the pitch with the Western Sydney Wanderers and the Brisbane Roar. All our students did a great job and the organising committee commented on the students' great behaviour and enthusiastic attitude. A special thanks to all the parents who brought our students out to the game on such short notice. It was also great to be able to go onto the field after the game and kick a ball around with the rest of the Wanderers fans. What a great day!!



## WELCOME

I would like to welcome Miss Rebecca Middlehurst who will be joining our staff as of 2013.

## OUR CHOIR SOUNDED GREAT AT CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The choir did a fantastic job at the Christmas Carols held in our school grounds on Saturday evening. Thank you to Miss Cheetham and Ms Minenko for organising the students. They had a long wait before performing and the students were extremely well behaved.

## CONGRATULATIONS KINDERGARTEN

As we approach the end of 2012, it marks a very important milestone for our Kindergarten students - the completion of their first year at "big school". I am very proud of each and every student. I have seen some truly amazing progress.

## HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY

I would like to wish everyone a safe and restful holiday with family and friends. I hope Santa is good to everyone and you are able to spend quality time with your kids. As teachers we are always excited to hear the great stories about the time kids spend with their family and friends during the holidays and great things they get up to.

I am looking forward to an incredible 2013.



.....Mr P. D'Ermilio  
Principal

## LOST PROPERTY

We have a large supply of lost property in the Office. Items include jumpers, jackets, hats, lunch boxes and drink bottles. We also have a small pair of child's glasses with soccer balls printed on the arms. If you have lost anything please come and check as items will be disposed of on the last day of term. Please take the time in the school holidays to check that your children's clothing is clearly labelled.

## UNIFORM SALES

The last Uniform Shop for 2012 will be held this Friday, 14 December. Uniform Sales will also be held on Thursday, 24 January 2013 from 1-4pm and Friday, 25 January, 2013 from 9.00-12.00pm.

## MONEY

Due to the end of term office procedures, **NO** money will be accepted from Wednesday, 19 December.

All payments for Kindergarten Starter Packs and General School Contributions need to be paid before Wednesday, 19 December, 2012.

## FAREWELL FROM MRS LESSELLS

Seasons change and people age and I have reached another milestone in my life's journey. I have really enjoyed my time at Metella Road Public School. This is no part due to the wonderful people that I have had the good

fortune to work with and the children that I have taught. As the time is rapidly approaching where I close my classroom door for the last time I would like to thank everyone for making the transition into retirement easier for me. So many people! So many good wishes! As I go about the business of being retired: the long lunches, overseas trips, minding grandchildren and sleeping in, I will think fondly of you all. I hope that the door will be left ajar a little so that I can call in and say hello occasionally.

.....Mrs Lessells

## A MESSAGE FROM MRS COLE

I want to say a big thank you to the past and present school community of MRPS who have been a very important part of my life for the last 25 years. We have shared great success, many challenges, lots of laughs and a few tears. I have taken up the Learning and Support Teacher role in my new school 4 days a week. If I return to MRPS it will be in 2014 for only 1 day a week. I wish you all the best and I thank you for allowing me to share in the growth of the MRPS community. Love to all.

.....Mrs Cole

## STAGE 3 MATHEMATICS HELP TIPS

- Skill in solving problems is one of the goals of mathematical study. Ask your child to show you how he or she goes about solving a word problem in math. The steps in the process might include trying to understand the question, finding the pertinent information, deciding what to do, working out the answer, and checking the answer.  
Always highlight the key words of the question and try to put the question into a number sentence.
- Provide questions to your child about real life situations by getting your child to help you in the kitchen. Cooking allows students to calculate different measurement problems and apply to real situations. By students just measuring 250ml of milk they are learning about capacity without even knowing it. This could also lead to measuring and calculating mass as well.
- The upcoming holidays offer an extensive amount of opportunities to use mathematical language with your child. Working out total amounts when shopping, subtracting money, working out percentages on sale items are just to name a few.

Maths should be fun and hands on. The more time you spend with your child doing activities in which they apply mathematical skills the better mathematicians they will become.

.....Numeracy Committee





Karl Holdsworth The Good Guys Prospect would like to invite you, your family and friends to an

# Exclusive Christmas VIP SALE

Tuesday 11th  
December 2012  
6pm-9pm

**ONE NIGHT ONLY**

**GREAT SPECIALS ACROSS EVERY DEPARTMENT!**



**Meet Santa**

To ensure you don't miss out on this invitation only event,

Please confirm your attendance by emailing [prospect@thegoodguys.com.au](mailto:prospect@thegoodguys.com.au)

Or calling 9849 3000 by Monday the 10th December or simply present this invitation on the night

We look forward to seeing you on the night!

Yours sincerely,

**Karl Holdsworth**



**PROSPECT HOMEBASE**  
STODDART ROAD  
PH: 9849 3000

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# Gymnastics Clinics

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Full Day Sessions (9.00am-3.00pm) \$40.00 per day

Half Day Sessions (9.00am-12.30pm) \$30.00 per session

January 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, January 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> and January 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>

## Term 1 2013

# Enrolments Now Being Taken

Classes for Boys and Girls 2 years and above  
Seven Hills and Winston Hills

Book now on 9620 8323 or [sydacgym@hotmail.com](mailto:sydacgym@hotmail.com)

Unit 7/32 Artisan Rd Seven Hills

[www.sydneygymnastics.com.au](http://www.sydneygymnastics.com.au)

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# Dance Expression

## ENROLMENT & OPEN DAYS

### WINSTON HILLS

Model Farms High School,  
Gooden Drive Baulkham Hills  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> January  
2013 5.30-7.30pm

### MERRYLANDS

Holroyd School Willara Ave,  
Merrylands Friday 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>  
January 2013 5.30-7.30pm

### GIRRAWEE

1/106 Magowar Rd, Girraween  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> January  
2013 11.00-3.00pm

MEET THE TEACHERS  
AND STAFF OF  
DANCE EXPRESSION,  
SELECT YOUR CLASSES  
FOR 2013 AND TRY THE  
FREE CLASSES!

**DANCE EXPRESSION HEAD OFFICE**  
1/106 MAGOWAR RD, GIRRAWEE

For information Contact:  
Nicole Smith  
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## HILLS RUGBY UNION CLUB

### Give Rugby a Try at our Come 'n' Try Clinics

Yattenden Oval, John Street, Baulkham Hills

Friday 1st February 2013	5pm – 6:30pm Come 'n' Try Clinic	5pm – 8pm Registration
Sunday 10th February 2013	2pm – 3:30pm Come 'n' Try Clinic	2pm – 5pm Registration

Come 'n' Try is open for ages 4 – 12 yrs.

We will also be at Winston Hills Mall on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
Come down and have a chat for further information about what's  
involved in playing Rugby. Alternatively contact our Registrar – Sarah  
Mullette on 0402 234 843, our President - Darren Hyde on 0407 570 599  
or visit [www.hillsrugby.com.au](http://www.hillsrugby.com.au) for more details



#### Teams for 2013

Walla Rugby Under 6's & 7's (two handed touch/tag rugby)  
Mini Rugby Under 8's & 9's (introductory contact rugby)  
Midi Rugby Under 10's to 12's (evolving contact rugby)  
Junior Rugby - Under 13's to 17's (modified rugby laws)  
Senior Rugby - Colts & Four Open Grades

## Join us for the 2013 season



### Players required all age groups U/6 to U/17's & Seniors Boys and Girls Rugby League

- Whether you register as an individual or family with multiple children, our Registration Fees are kept at a MINIMUM cost to benefit you.
- Drop into PCYC 30 Second ave Blacktown for registration and training details. Every Player receives complimentary PCYC Membership giving them access to the many PCYC Activities at all clubs across NSW for the nominated activity fee. Boxing, Judo, Cardio, Basketball and Gym to name a few.
- In 2012 all PCYC teams filled semi-final positions and won 2 premierships
- 2013 should produce another exciting season so grab some friends and come along to an exciting and expanding club.



*It's Time to become a PCYC SPARTAN*

*"Honor and Respect"*

Training starts for all teams February 5th 2013  
Allen Robertson Res Vardy's Rd Kings Langley

For all Registration and Training enquiries  
Phone 0438470599

#### OUR MISSION:



- We get young people active in life
- We work with young people to develop their skills, character and leadership
- We reduce and prevent crime by and against young people

