



# 2011 NEWSLETTER

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## Term 3, Week 8

### **Week 8 SEPTEMBER**

Tue 6 7.00pm, P&C meeting  
Gymnastics K-2  
Wed 7 Y 1 & 2 Public Speaking final at assembly  
Thu 8 Industrial action  
No Band  
Fri 9 Chifley Art presentation. 11.20am

### **Week 9 SEPTEMBER**

Wed 14 Kindergarten Public Speaking final at assembly  
Fri 16 7pm, Performance Night

***DON'T FORGET PERFORMANCE NIGHT –  
FRIDAY, 16<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER. STARTS AT 7pm***

**UNIFORM SHOP OPEN THURSDAYS 8.45-9.10**

### **PUBLIC SPEAKING**

The competition for Years 1 and 2 will be held this Wednesday, from 2pm.

**GYMNASTICS TOMORROW: K-2 WEAR SPORT UNIFORM.**

### **SOCCER**

The Junior Soccer team continued their winning streak last Friday, beating Banksmeadow 4 - 0. The Senior team won on a forfeit.

Soccer training will be held on Wednesday morning at 8:30am. Shin pads and boots must be worn.

### **NETBALL**

The Juniors played well last Friday, with the As having a draw and the Bs thrilled with a 6-2 win. The Senior team also played well and won 20-3.

Netball training will be held on Friday morning at 8:30am.

### **CRICKET SUCCESS**

Congratulations to Benn and Mathew. Both boys tried out for selection in the Eastern Suburbs zone cricket team. Only 6 spots were available at these trials and it was wonderful news from both were chosen. We wish them all the best this afternoon as they trial for selection in the Regional team.

***The Big Band Bash has been postponed to Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> October.*** Please return all blue notes to Miss Hoskins.

## Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011

### **ART COMPETITION**

The presentation assembly for the Chifley Art Competition will be held this Friday at 11.20am at Chifley Public School. (The organisers have had to change the time a couple of times.) Letters to prize-winners are currently being prepared by Chifley PS.

### **DEADLY KIDS AWARD**

Congratulation to Tadisha, who will attend this year's presentation to Aboriginal students and receive a "Deadly Kids Award", marking her success at school.

### **PREMIER'S SPELLING BEE**

Congratulations to Tadhg, Declan, Raymond and Zac who will be representing our school in this year's Premier's Spelling Bee. We wish them the best of luck. Certificates will be handed out at this week's assembly.

### **SAFETY REMINDER**

Each year, families are reminded not to bring animals onto the school site. It would be appreciated if dogs were not taken to any school activity, including those activities at other venues.

### **FATHERS' DAY STALL**

Many thanks to everyone who generously donated presents to be sold at the Fathers' Day Stall, and who then allowed their child/ren to shop at the stall. It was a great success and raised \$890. Thanks also to all those who gave their time to preparing the stall and selling. (Photos on emailed newsletter.)

### **NOTICE OF INDUSTRIAL ACTION – THURSDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Schools have been notified of planned industrial action next Thursday, 8th September. A majority of our teachers will participate in the "stop work action", from 8.45am to 3.15pm. The school will remain open, with minimal supervision arrangements (2 teachers) provided for those students who attend school.

### **2011 NAPLAN STUDENT REPORTS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT WRITING RESULTS**

The 2011 NAPLAN student reports will be sent to parents in the week beginning 12 September 2011.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority, which oversees the delivery and reporting of the NAPLAN tests, introduced a persuasive writing task in 2011, replacing the narrative writing task which was tested from 2008 to 2010.

Because students perform differently on the two types of writing tasks the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority has introduced a new and additional reporting scale for writing. This means that it will not be possible to compare the writing performance of students who completed the narrative task in 2009 with their performance in the persuasive task in 2011.

You will still be able to measure your child's growth in Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, Reading and Numeracy from 2009 to 2011, by comparing their 2009 NAPLAN student report with the 2011 NAPLAN student report.

#### ADVERTISEMENTS

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#### FUNDRAISING

Don't forget to keep bringing in the dockets from Coles and Woolworths. With the Woolworths' promotion, we are nearly at the 1,900 points mark, which equals about \$19,000.00 in purchases. The promotion finishes on the 18th September. We are on the "home-stretch" and a few more hundred points will make such a difference in the resources we can "purchase"

#### JUDO FOR KIDS

##### The way children used to play

If your child has difficulty catching, kicking or throwing a ball then Judo might be the sporting start for them. Let your children push, rumble and roll their way to increased confidence.

Judo develops falling skills, balance and overall gross motor coordination.

Ages 3-4yrs, 5-6yrs, 7-10yrs & 11yrs +

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- Eastern Suburbs PCYC 26A Bunnerong Rd, Daceyville

Call UNSW Judo - 9385 4725 [www.unswjudo.net.au](http://www.unswjudo.net.au)  
Head Coach: Warren Rosser, NCAS Level 3 Coach, 1988 Olympian.

# K.A.Z



## **Kids After-school Zone (K.A.Z)**

**What is K.A.Z:** A free service provided by professional and trained volunteers to provide assistance to primary school kids (Grade 2 to 6) who struggle with their weekly homework and basic school work.

**Where:** Kingsford Church of Christ, 399 Anzac Parade, Kingsford (near the Kingsford Roundabout and on the same side of Crystal Car Wash). Enter through the side gate and follow the signs.

**When:** Every Wednesday, between 3.45 to 5.00pm. Kids must sign in and sign out by an adult (parent/guardian).

**Requirement:** Registration and Consent forms must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian on or before attending K.A.Z. ***Come and meet the team to find out more information about K.A.Z.***

Kingsford Church of Christ, 2011

#### UNDERSTANDING AND DEVELOPING ATTENTION

**On Wednesday 14th September Dr Andrew Campbell will deliver a ground breaking presentation on Attention in Early Childhood.**

Attention, Focus, Concentration and Patience are core skills we use everyday, however they must be **developed in the first few years of life.**

**Tapping into attention building exercises** in children at early ages has been found to **increase learning, social skills development and resilience** to change as children develop. The seminar will include the following topics for discussion and skills development: - Background to **attention building in infants** and children - **Over-stimulating Children:** Problems that can arise and how to tackle them.

- Positive attention building for infants and children. This seminar will provide strategies on how to promote positive attention in children and to recognise signs of over-stimulation (negative attention behaviour). Ideal for Parents and Educators with children between 0 - 6years old.

**To book call Adrian on (02) 9557 4843**

Date:14/09/11 Time:7pm - 9pm

Venue:11 Farran Street Lane Cove

Cost:\$48.00 inc GST

Catering: Light Supper Provided



## SCHOOL PERFORMANCE NIGHT

FRIDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 7pm



### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Junior Dance group
- Senior Dance group
- Band
- Choir
- Items and/or skits by Y4/5, Y5/6, Y3, KB/KV and the non-dance children from Years 1 and 2.

This special evening will also be a major fundraising event:

- There will be a small charge for entry to the hall. (Amount to be confirmed.)
- An idea “borrowed” from other schools will be a “SILENT AUCTION”. Each class is preparing a piece of art on which parents can bid. Highest bid takes home this unique memento. Art works will be displayed closer to the date.
- The P&C will organise supper during the intermission.



### VACATION CARE

Botany Bay Council will be operating the September/October Vacation Care program at Botany Public School from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October (total of 9 days) for school aged children up to 13 years old.

The Centre is open from 7am to 6pm each day and provides the children with daily activities including recreational games, art and craft, cooking and sports activities. There are also optional excursions programmed throughout the two weeks as well as incursions at the centre.

Our theme for this holiday period is “Caring for Our Environment” which will include lots of environmentally themed activities including setting up a garden area with a worm farm and compost bin, using recycling materials for our art and craft work and learning about endangered animals. Incursions will include a live show called “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle”, a day of creative work with a visit from Reverse Garbage and a visit from the Zoomobile to show us some of the endangered animals in Australia. Excursions are planned to “Flower Power” to get some tips for our gardens followed by lunch at Macdonalds, a tour of ANZ Stadium to experience the game from behind the scenes as we gear up for the NRL grand final then we will enjoy a game of mini golf. We are also visiting Calmsley Hill Farm for some “hands on” farm experiences including milking a cow, feeding the animals and having a tractor ride around the farm. A visit to the Sydney Children’s Festival will also be lots of fun as the children participate in a variety of experiences including circus skills, art and craft, media and shows.

Our final day is going to be so much fun as we participate in “The Amazing Race-Botany Bay”. This activity will take place at Sir Joseph Banks Park. Children will participate in groups as they race around the park looking for clues, roadblocks and detours. Who will be the final winner on the day? We will be also enjoying a barbeque lunch at the park for lunch.

Enrolment day for this Vacation care will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2011 from 4pm to 6.30pm at Botany Public School After Care (enter car park via Bay St entrance)

For an information pack please call Sherryl on 93663576 or Grace on 96666128 between 4pm and 6pm or check out our program and download relevant forms from the Botany Council website-[www.botanybay.nsw.gov.au](http://www.botanybay.nsw.gov.au)-locate forms and program under Vacation care in the Community Services section on the website.

PHOTOS FROM FATHERS' DAY STALL



