Principal’s Message  Pam Walmsley (Relieving)

Congratulations
In term three 42 students from Sutherland North Public School sat for the University of New South Wales International Mathematics Competition. There were a number of great results including 1 distinction, 10 credit, 2 merit and 29 participation certificates. Well done to all the students who participated in the competition.

**Distinction:** Alwin L.

**Credit:** Joshua S., Tom N., Kyle M., Noah L., Alessandro S., Oliver M., Joshua B., Jayden G., Blake K., Natsuki F.

**Merit:** Patrick M., Daniella B.

Grandfriends’ Day
This Thursday, 30th October 2014, Grandparents or ‘Grandfriends’ are invited to school at 9.40am to spend time in classrooms. These visits will then be followed by an assembly at 10.15am and morning tea with the students.

Book Fair
A book fair is being held in our library over the next few days. Books will be on sale before and after school on Thursday and Friday and during morning tea time tomorrow. Profits from sales go directly to the school.

Annual School Evaluation - Parent Survey
An important part of Sutherland North Public School’s commitment to continually improving teaching and learning practice and all aspects of school life is the completion of an annual school evaluation. This involves conducting surveys for students, staff and parents on nominated areas of homework, school communication and overall school satisfaction. The collection of data and feedback will then inform our planning for 2015 and assist us in setting priorities. For this reason, we are asking all parents to participate in an online survey which will only take a short time to complete. If you do not have internet access or would prefer to complete a written version of the survey, paper copies are available at the office. We really appreciate your time and assistance in this important school planning process. The survey can be accessed on the school website or at the following link; you may need to copy & paste the link into your browser:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TVBKX3V

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Term 4
October
Thursday 30
Grandfriend’s Day

November
Wednesday 5
Kinder 2015 Transition

Thursday 6
High School Transition Day
– All Year 6 students. TJHS

Tuesday 11
School Disco
5.00 – 6.00pm K-2
6.30 – 7.30pm Years 3-6

Thursday 13
Stage 3 dance2bfit program commences

Monday 24
K-2 RNP Incursion

Wednesday 26
6.15pm Cubbyhouse Parent Meeting
7.30pm P&C Meeting

Thursday 27
12.30pm School Band Performance in Assembly

Friday 28
Final gymnastics lesson Gymnastics display

December
Wednesday 3
High School Orientation

Wednesday 10
5.00pm Family Christmas Picnic

Monday 15
9.30am Presentation Day
6.00pm Year 6 Farewell

Wednesday 17
Last day for students
Kindergarten 2015 Orientation

It is a Sutherland North tradition that current Kindergarten families provide morning tea for the incoming Kindergarten families. The final transition to school session is being held on Wednesday 5 November. Kindergarten 2014 parents are asked to bring a plate of food to share. Please remember no nuts or peanut butter products. The morning tea will be held in the hall from 9.30am and our current kindergarten parents are very welcome to attend.

Outstanding Payments

Thank you to the parents who have paid their Term 3 invoices. Invoices for Term 4 have been sent home. A reminder to all parents that ALL outstanding invoices need to finalised before the end of the year. At this time of year we plan for our 2015 purchases and order our classroom resources for next year. Our budget is based on all parents covering the cost of their children participating in extra-curricular activities. Please forward your payment to the office in an envelope marked with your child’s name & class or make payment through the school website on the Parent Online Payment link.

2015 Class Placements and Structure

One of the most talked about topics on Day 1 of any school year is “Whose class are you in?” or, “Who is your teacher?” This is important to children, parents and staff and so during Term 4 the school staff spends a lot of time planning the class structure, staffing and class allocations for the next school year. We have started work on classes for 2015. One of the first tasks we do is to divide up the anticipated 250+ students across 7 grades into manageable classes. To do this accurately we need to know about anyone who may not have enrolled their children to begin Kindergarten, anyone who is considering repetition, or more importantly, anyone who is leaving for another school. Please contact the school office by phone, through an email to sutherlann-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or complete a form at the office.

Many factors are considered when grouping children into classes for the next school year and it is never an easy task to get it right for every child. Besides the Department’s guidelines about the numbers in each class at different year levels we also consider:

- academic achievement levels
- special needs consideration & medical issues
- relationships that should be split or continued (teacher-child, child-child)
- behavioural issues or concerns
- numbers of boys and girls in a class
- teacher allocation

If parents have particular concerns or issues about the placement of their child for the next school year that involve any of the factors above or any other reason, please inform the office in writing so that your concerns can be considered when forming classes. Coming to discuss these issues and a child’s placement next year is too late. We always undertake to do the very best we can for every student. Please remember it is not always possible to meet all requests. By the end of term we will have a class structure developed, but we will need to review it early in Term 1 2015 when all enrolment information is finalised.
Cubbahouse Parent Meeting & P&C Meeting
Please note the change of date to the Cubbyhouse Parent Meeting and next P&C meeting which will now be held on Wednesday 26th November. The Cubbyhouse meeting will commence at 6.15pm in the Cubbyhouse room followed by the P&C meeting at 7.30pm in the library. All parents are invited to attend the P&C meeting. Mr Warren Finn, Principal of The Jannali High School will spend a few minutes talking to parents prior to the meeting proper. At the meeting parents will be included in the process of formulating the School Plan 2015-2017.

School Disco
The school disco has been rescheduled to Tuesday 11th November. Kindergarten to Year 2 has a session from 5.00pm until 6.00pm. The session for Years 3-6 begins at 6.30pm and concludes at 7.30pm. All students must be collected by parents or carers.

Christmas Family Picnic
On Wednesday 10th December between 5.00pm and 7.00pm a family picnic will be held in the school grounds to celebrate Christmas. Bring a rug and a picnic dinner. Further details will be sent later in the term.

School Plan 2015-2017
Over the next few months we will be formulating the School Plan 2015-2017 for Sutherland North Public School. It is important that the community is consulted about the directions the school takes. Discussions and information sessions will take place at P&C meetings, in forums held after school and in the morning and in survey form. To start the process of consultation, school leaders are going to approach parents and ask them to complete a form. The question on the form is “What do you want for your child at the end of their time at Sutherland North Public School?”. Responding to this question is voluntary and anonymous.

Are you going ‘Trick or Treating’ for Halloween?
The Miranda Local Area Command does not endorse the growing trend of “trick or treating” due to safety issues. However, if you choose to participate, here are some things you should consider:
Is it safe to take lollies or chocolate from strangers?
Do I know the person that lives in the house I am door knocking? Will I get into trouble from police if I play a ‘prank’ or damage property?
What if a stranger talks to me?
Remember your safety tips from the NSW Police ‘Keeping Me Safe’ initiative:
Ensure you are always under supervision with an adult, walk in a group. Safety in numbers! Never walk alone.
Hold hands and cross roads at safe locations such as marked crossings and/or traffic light intersections. Do not forget to ‘Stop, Look, Listen and Think.’
Do not take lollies, chocolate from strangers.
Do not talk to strangers other than the people nominated as ‘Safe people’ from ‘Safe places’
If you feel unsafe or unsure remember to tell a stranger ‘No’ ‘Go away’ and then ‘tell’ a grown up about what happened. Do not knock on a strangers door, you do not know the person behind the door and what they might do.
## Assembly Awards Term 4 Week 3

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### Bronze Pennants

- Liam K 5/6F, Tayla J 5/6F, Jack K Yr 3, Chace M Yr 2, Oliver W Yr 2, Jayden R KK

### Silver Pennants

- Amelia D 5/6F, Jarrod G 5/6W, Claudia H 4/5, Tyla C Yr 3, Chrystal M Yr 3, Karissa R 1DG, Lily J KK

### Gold Pennants

- Zack J 5/6W
Canteen

FRESH MONDAY - 10th NOVEMBER - Chicken Caesar Salad

A repeat of the most popular Fresh Monday Item – Crispy, Tasty Chicken Caesar Salad. No pre-ordering required, just fill in a lunch order on Mon 10th Nov and post in Canteen Lunch Order box, as usual.

Don’t miss out – this is the last Fresh Monday for 2014.

Chicken Caesar Salad $4.00
Includes – Lettuce / Celery / Bacon / Croutons / Chicken Schnitzel / Egg / Caesar Dressing
Sorry – Omissions Not Accepted, e.g. – No Egg / No Bacon etc

NEW ITEM – We are trialling a new Rice Puff Bar, similar to an LCM, but it conforms to the Amber standard set by the Healthy Canteen Initiative set by the NSW Government. They are $1.00, Gluten free and delicious! Available in vanilla and cocoa.

Next Week we will be previewing the New 2015 Menu, with prices which will be effective from Term 1 in 2015. Please note the new prices, as there will be IOUs issued for incorrect monies.

Volunteers – If you need a reminder of your rostered days for Canteen – please contact Jemima by text or email.

Thank you to all our volunteers for helping to support the P&C and the Canteen Committee.

Jemima and Nikki
Canteen Committee

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We are always busy in Kinder doing lots of different activities!

We work well in groups.