PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

I would like to thank all the grandparents who were able to join their grandchildren at school today. Although some grandparents may not have been able to attend, today gives us an opportunity to reminisce about good times shared and the important role grandparents play in a child’s development.

I would also like to thank Mrs Potter who is organising a bus trip to various shopping outlets on Saturday 29 November. There are still vacancies on the bus and it would be a great opportunity to come bargain shopping with the Relieving Principal and compare what great savings we made!

This Monday 3 November I will be accompanying Kaylem and Cassandra in 5/6PN to the State Finals of the NAIDOC Public Speaking competition at Parliament House in Sydney. They also have been fine ambassadors for the school and wish them well next week.

It is always an exciting time when there are overnight school excursions. This Thursday 30 and Friday 31 October, Stage 3 students will be travelling to Canberra with Mrs Privett-Nelson and Mrs Dalli. I’m sure this will be a great educational experience and I thank the Stage 3 parents for their support.

There are still opportunities for students in Year 2 to Year 6 to participate in the school swimming program. It is so important that children learn to swim especially when we live so close to the beach. If your child is not currently having swimming lesson after school I strongly recommend you give permission for your child to attend our swimming program.

I would like to finish my report with a quote that Mrs Dalli shared with me after our executive meeting by Peter Drucker, Pioneer Thinker in Management and Leadership.

“People decisions are the ultimate - perhaps the only-control of an organisation.
People determine the capacity of an organisation.”

At the Grandparents Day today, it certainly demonstrated the potential and capacity of our school to strengthen community relationships.

Michelle Sotiros
Relieving Principal

GRANDPARENTS DAY
### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Term 4 Week 4**

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### OTHER INFORMATION

#### Spring into Corrimal Colouring Competition
Congratulations to the following students who were awarded prizes:

- **Age Bracket Winners**
  - Under 5’s = 1st Place Amelia KPB
  - 8/9’s = 3rd Place Max 4/5D
  - Highly Commended Certificate:
    - Age Bracket 6/7: = Jade KPB
    - Age Bracket 8/9: = Airlie 3P
    - Age Bracket 10/12: = Tiana Mackay 5/6PN, Keeley 5/6PN, Ashleigh 5/6PN, Marcus 5/6PN, Tiana 4/5D.

#### Life Education
It was wonderful that the IMB funded every student visiting the Life Education van last week. It’s great to see a local organisation supporting the needs and growth of our community. Follow up lessons will continue in the classroom each week.

#### NSW PSSA Athletics Championships
Congratulations to Keely in 5/6PN who competed at the NSW PSSA Athletics Championships at Homebush. She is a fantastic sporting ambassador for our school.

#### Kinder Orientation
The second Kinder Orientation session will be held on Thursday 6th November. The students will get to meet their 2015 buddies and parents will attend an information session with a variety of guest speakers. If you know of anyone who is intending to enrol please ask them to contact the school as soon as possible.
Our kinder students for 2015 enjoyed their first playgroup session and thank you to Miss Mearns and Mrs Rice for co-ordinating our Kinder transition program.

**Application for Year 7 selective high school placement in 2016**
Application website opened on Tuesday 14 October and closes Monday 17 November.

Information can be found on the website at: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement). Please see Mrs Sotiros if you are considering applying.

**Student arrival at school**
Just a reminder that teacher supervision commences at 8:30am in the COLA area only. Any child who arrives before 8:30am needs to sit on the veranda area outside 3P & 1/2C with their school bag. Also the Administration Office opens at 8:30am for any enquiries.

**Adidas School Fun Run**
Thank you to Mrs Potter for co-ordinating the Fun Run. Prizes have been distributed to the students. Congratulations to Ava in KPB who was the highest fundraiser and to 5/6PN for being the highest fundraising class.

**Crossing the Road on Kendall St**
Could parents please take extra care in bringing and picking up students. A number of students are being dropped off and children are left to cross the road by themselves. We have had a couple of ‘near misses’ so it is preferable if parents accompany their child across the road. It is better to do this than regret it.

**P&C Meeting**
Reminder that the next P&C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 5 November in the Staffroom. All welcome.

**P & C NEWS**

**Warehouse shopping bus trip with the Tarrawanna Public School P&C**

The expression of interest deadline has been extended to Friday 31 October. Please notify the office by this date if you interested in going. A deposit of $10 is required in order to hold a seat for you.

Come along and enjoy the fun
IMPORTANT MESSAGES

Lions Club of Woonona Inc. – World Festival of Magic Show
Entry is free to all children, parents/carers and anyone wanting to enjoy the show.
Date: Sunday, 9 November, 2014
Show Times: 11.00am, or 2pm or 4pm
Location: Woonona Bulli RSL Auditorium

1st Balgownie Scout Group

We would like to extend an invitation to join us at Balgownie Joey/Cubs Scouts, the variety of activities is endless, always something different and always fun.

Joeys is the youngest of the Scouting sections for boys and girls from 6 to 8 yrs.

Cubs is the second youngest of the section and cater for children 8-11 years old.

Your local group is 1st Balgownie.
Joeys meet on Tuesdays 5:15pm to 6:15pm
Cubs meet on Tuesdays 6:30pm-7:30pm
Hall - 3 Barker St, Balgownie.
Not always there please ring first on 0417 689 659

SUPPORTED PLAYGROUPS
Bellambi Neighbourhood centre
10-12 Mondays (During school term)
• Morning tea provided
• Craft and Play activities
• All welcome

FREE Aboriginal Family Mornings
• Come for a Yarn and morning tea @ Bellambi Public School
10-12 on Tuesdays (during school term)