Dear Parents,

Open Day: Thank you very much all parents and visitors who joined with us for our Open Day celebration on Tuesday. It was great to see so many parents participating. The children enjoyed showcasing their talents at the assembly and showing their achievements during open classroom time.

Thank you very much to our hard working P and C for the delicious and healthy falafel wraps that we enjoyed for lunch yesterday. All money raised from this will go towards the school air-conditioning project.

Preschool and Kindergarten Excursion: Today our Preschool and Kindergarten children are on an excursion to Parramatta Riverside Theatre to see a live performance of Mr McGee and the Biting Flea. There was much excitement as the children boarded the bus for their big day out. We will have a report about the day in the next newsletter.

Stage 3 Camp: It is now less than two weeks until Year 5 and 6 students go on their three day camp at Milson Island. I am sure this will be a fun packed three days of exciting activities and learning.

Year 1 Excursion: Year 1 are planning an excursion to Sydney Aquarium on Thursday 28th August. A separate note will go out today.

Sound and Vision: Tickets are selling fast for the Sound and Vision concert which will be held on 17th September (Week 10). This is a whole school production with two performances, a matinee in the middle of the day and an evening performance that night. All children are expected to attend and take part in both performances. Tickets are available from the office and cost $8.00 each.

Kindergarten 2015: A special information session has been organised for parents of children who are enrolling in Kindergarten 2015. This will be held in the school library on Wednesday 27th August at 3.30pm. It is expected that the session will go for approximately one hour and will be repeated at 6.30pm for parents who can’t make the afternoon session.

Parent and Teacher Interviews: Parent and teacher interviews will be held over two afternoons/evenings on Tuesday 9th September and Wednesday 10th September. Please put these dates into your diary. A separate note regarding this will be sent home soon.

Stage 3 Fundraising: Students in Stage 3 are continuing their fund raising for the Year 6 farewell. Plans are underway to have a movie afternoon on Thursday 11th September.

Jeans for Genes: Thank you to everyone who supported our Jeans for Genes fund raising day that was organised by the Student Representative Council. The school raised $365.55.

Adults Approaching Children at School: I would like to remind all parents and visitors to the school that you should not approach other people's children to reprimand them, to request information or to ask them to undertake tasks. If you have a concern about something that has happened between children you need to discuss this with a teacher.

Road Safety: Last week a member of the public phoned the school to express his concern about a potentially dangerous incident that happened while he was driving along Woodville Road near the school. Two children in Granville Public School uniforms ran across the road without looking for traffic and were almost hit by his truck. Teachers have spoken to all students about the importance of road safety and the dangers of running across roads without looking. I ask that you talk to your children and reinforce this message.

Linda Barry
Principal
Granville Public School students showcased some of their talents at the Open Day assembly.

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Parents and Grandparents enjoyed visiting students in their classrooms.
PAVe
Preventing Anxiety and Victimisation through education

Your school principal has agreed for your school to take part in PAVe, an exciting new research project taking place in NSW and WA primary schools. The purpose of the project is to evaluate two interventions that enhance students’ social and emotional learning and foster the prevention of bullying behaviours (Friendly Schools Plus and Cool Kids: Taking Control). Grades 3 and 4 students are being invited to participate by completing a confidential survey on four occasions over the next three years. Your school will implement Friendly Schools Plus.

A parent and student information letter and consent form for the project has recently been sent home with students in Grades 3 and 4. Parents in these grades are asked to discuss this project with their son or daughter and submit the consent form online via

- PAVe Parent Information and Consent Form
- OR return the completed consent form to their child’s teacher by Friday 8th August 2014

Further information can also be found at http://www.centreforemotionalhealth.com.au/pages/PAVe.aspx

The class with the most returned notes will receive $200 to spend on classroom equipment.

The school with the highest amount of returned notes will receive $1000.

P&C NEWS

Yesterday, the P&C held our Falafel Healthy Lunch Day. It was fantastic to see so many children and teachers support us with over 100 orders and even some donations. We really hope everyone enjoyed their special lunch!

This day would never have happened if it had not been for Najah Choghari’s enthusiasm and hard work.

I cannot thank Najah, Salim, Saeid and Sundas Choghari enough for their donations of ingredients towards our falafel wraps. They are a wonderful, generous family and we are very lucky to have them at our school!

Thank you also to our many helpers both before and on the day. A special thank you to Najah and Suzan for getting up ridiculously early to deep fry the falafel for us so it was nice and fresh and to Jannette for cutting all the tomatoes and lettuce the night before. Najah would really like to thank Nidaa Youssef for her help preparing the falafel.

Thank you to the following helpers: Mona Hamed, Widad Sayah, Houda Ghabach, Zahra Taha, Souhaier Alachrafi, Fadi Abouhalka, Rana Zeinedine, Iman Farroukh, Salim, Najah & Saeid Choghari, Suzan Rima, April Butterfield, Elizabeth Grey, Jannette Ayoub, Nidaa Youssef.

A big thank you to Abu - Hussein Supermarket and McDonald’s Stockland Mall for their donations.

Also just a reminded to all parents, the P & C have a Facebook page. Keep up to date with what the P & C is doing, what is in stock in the uniform shop, occasional specials and also when parent helpers are needed for stalls, fundraiser’s and other events we plan.

Please join us next Thursday 14 August for our monthly meeting at 9:15am in the staff room. Come along and be involved with your child’s education.

Allison Harris
P&C President

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday
2:30-3:15pm
Friday 9:00-9:30am