

TERM 3 WEEK 4

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Book Fair and Education Week

Thank you again to all the parents and grandparents who came to spend time with us for our assembly and lunch last week. It was lovely to see so many of you.

We also had some terrific support for the book fair. We sold \$698 worth of books giving us

a \$69 commission. The commission teamed with the \$110 worth of free picks we got for having the book fair bought us lots of new books for the library. We were very lucky to receive a very generous donation from a local couple and to this couple we send a special thanks. With so much money sent to us to spend we found that

there just weren't enough books to buy so Miss Vaughan has come up with the terrific suggestion of spending some of that money to buy the library books shortlisted for the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) Book of the Year 2011.

Coles Sports vouchers and Woolworths Earn to Learn

We're off to a great start already thanks to your support.

Here's how the Coles program works.

Until October 18th, members of our school's community can collect vouchers by shopping at any Coles, Coles online, Pick n'Pay or BI-LO supermarket.

For every \$10 spent, you'll earn 1 voucher.

1 x Coles Sports for Schools voucher = 1 Point.

Keep an eye out in store for great offers

and extra chances to collect vouchers with our partners.

Excludes Coles Express and Coles Insurance purchases, and gift cards, liquor, tobacco and tobacco related product purchases

Here's how the Woolworths program works.

Until September 18th 2011, you'll get one Woolworths Earn & Learn point for every \$10 you spend in store (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards or purchases made

through Woolworths online or at Caltex Woolworths co-branded fuel outlets).

Points will automatically appear on your shopping dockets, which you simply drop in to school. When the 9-week program ends, schools redeem points against a choice of more than 7,000 educational resources including library books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials and much, much more.

We look forward to your support again this year.

School Calendar

- 13th - 19th August - National Science Week
- Thursday 11th August - Gymnastics (please wear sports uniform)

3-6 Camp

We have now sent in our final names list for the 3-6 camp to Point Wolstoncroft. Even though camp is not until week three next term I'm already feeling the excitement for the students who are attending. Although it was over 17 years ago, I went to Point Wolstoncroft for our year six excursion and had an absolute ball! Even all this time later I still hold very fond memories of the trip there. The students will take part in so many different and exciting activities such as the climbing wall, canoeing, bushwalking, archery and so very many more.

Point Wolstoncroft is on the

eastern foreshore of Lake Macquarie, about an hour's drive north of Sydney and 45 minutes south of Newcastle so students are almost guaranteed warmer weather than at home.

Final costs for camp run to \$281.35 per student. The cost of the bus will range between \$49.28 and \$51.87 depending on the final number of students attending. As soon as we know the price we will let you know.

Please feel free to start sending money in to pay off the camp fees, it is a large sum of money, especially if you have multiple children attending and we'd like

to help by offering you a 'layby' system so you can pay it off over the next 10 weeks.

Anyone interested in checking out their website can go to:

<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/pointwolstoncroft/>

Only 75 sleeps to go!

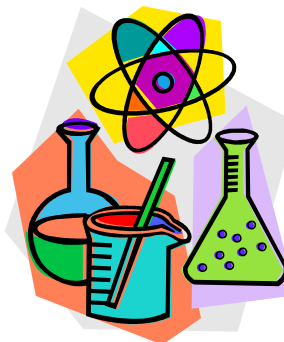


Items of Interest

Fun science experiments

With National Science Week starting on August 13, why not spark your child's interest in the natural world with some simple and fun science experiments at home? You can find plenty of ideas online. For example, Kids spot (<http://www.kidspot.com.au/schoolzone/>)

[Science-experiments-Science-experiments-for-kids+4372+314+article.htm](http://www.kidspot.com.au/schoolzone/science-experiments-science-experiments-for-kids+4372+314+article.htm)) has a great range of science experiments made from common household items including a mini volcano, a wave in a bottle, magic ink and even fake snot. Who could resist?



Mixed bag

Our three way interviews have been taking place this week with teachers, parents and students. If you missed making an appointment but would like to discuss your child's learning then please feel free to contact the school and let us know so we can organise a mutually

acceptable time.

Don't forget Fruity Wednesdays. You'd think the students hadn't seen fruit before the way they all share it so eagerly! You can send fruit it cut or uncut and we'll do the

rest.

Gymnastics started well last week. The kids love the activities they get to do with Sonya and Carrie. We're all looking forward to seeing them tomorrow so don't forget **SPORTS UNIFORMS TOMORROW.**