Principal’s Message

P & C

The last meeting was the Annual General Meeting where we needed to elect the Executive for the P & C for 2014.

Firstly thank you to our wonderful executive for 2013. Your hard work was very much appreciated.

Our new P & C executive for 2014 is;

President Meric Uyanik
Vice President Gillian Guy
Secretary Gulistan (Rose) Uyuk
Treasurer Michelle Korosaya

Thank you also to Mrs Julie Cross who continues to do an amazing job with our uniform shop.

Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop is open on Monday and Friday morning from 8.30am – 10.00am for the purchase of school uniforms.

School Hats

Students are being encouraged to wear the school hat. Please do not encourage your child to wear any other hat to school other than the school hat.

School hats are available at the school office for only $6.00

Thank you for your co-operation on this matter.

Absence due to a long overseas holiday

Please be aware that taking your child overseas for an extended period of time, that is more than 3 weeks, does affect their learning.

Your child is missing valuable learning. If you choose to do this, be aware that teachers will be reviewing your child’s progress at the end of the year and if necessary will be recommending your child repeat that year again. If children miss too much school they need to be given the opportunity to catch up and this may mean repeating the school academic year.

My advice to all parents is try to keep trips back to family in other countries to our school holiday periods throughout the year. Then your child will have every opportunity provided to them at Auburn to learn.

If you are taking your child out of school for an extended period it is essential you come to the office on the 3 – 6 site and complete the appropriate paper work.

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SRC Training Day

Recently we had our annual training day for the newly elected Student Representative Council members for 2014. The new Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and Chairperson were elected for this year. The teachers supervising this year are Ms Hillsley, Miss Assaff and Mrs Cornish. They have 2 big events for this term to organise – the Easter Egg Raffle and a Music and Games Night!

Harmony Day

On Friday March 21st our school celebrated Harmony Day. I thank everyone who wore cultural dress or orange on the day as we came together to celebrate this event. The theme for this year was “One Australia – Many Stories” which was highlighted at the wonderful assembly on the day. Thank you to all our teachers who helped to put on a great day with a special mention to Ms Shearman for organising the event.

Ms Lisa Borg
Principal

General News

Zone Swimming Carnival - 2014

On Tuesday 4th of March, Mrs Kimura and Miss Haskell had the pleasure of taking 4 students to the Auburn Zone Swimming Carnival at Granville Swimming Pools. The students - Taupule Samataua, Asli Yerlikaya, Katie Gilholme and Hudhaifah Mohamoud all swam in the 50m freestyle and the 50m backstroke. They all swam to their best of their ability and we are pleased with their results. The students represented Auburn Public School with respect and were on their best behaviour at all times. A big thank you to Asli’s parents for helping with transport.

Mrs Kimura

Support Unit – Multi Sports Day Excursion

On Monday, 10th March 2014, K-4E, 3/5N, 3/6D and 3/6M went on the bus to the Anne Clarke Centre for our Multi sports day excursion.

I played basketball, t-ball, soccer, AFL and netball. There were other schools there also. We saw Yiteng with his new school. My favourite sport there was T-ball because I liked batting and catching the ball. When we finished playing basketball the teachers and some students had a race to see who could get the ball first.

Mrs Bonus-Ross raced Boorana but Boorana won. Mrs Cherry raced Gazwan but Gazwan won. Then Miss Moutasallem raced Kerim, it was a close race but Kerim won. Miss Doherty raced last against Selcuk and Miss Doherty won.

By Christian Hong 3/5N
Jolly Phonics – Parent Workshop

We had another successful Jolly Phonics Parent Workshop last week. It was great to see many parents attending to learn more about the Jolly Phonics program and English in general. During the workshop last week, parents practised blending sounds to read words and segmenting words into the sounds for spelling. It was a very productive workshop with all parents participating in the activities. Our next workshop will look at vowels and more work on blending and segmenting.

SRC – Student Representative Council

On Friday 14th March, the 2014 Student Representative Council (SRC) members had a training day in the James Waters Hall with Ms Borg, Miss Hillsley and Miss Assaf.

Students were given the opportunity to discuss and learn about the key skills of SRC leadership, such as listening, being helpful and following instructions. The SRC students also voted for students to become part of the executive arm of the SRC, with members electing a Secretary, Treasurer and Chairperson. All SRC students received their badges on Friday in a special badging ceremony.

Congratulations to all of the SRC members for being nominated by their class, and for displaying such great behaviour during the training day. A great day was had by all teachers and students and many new skills and friendships were formed.
PBIS

This year Auburn Public School has been participating in the PBIS (Positive Behaviour Interventions Support) program. The program focuses on explicitly teaching the students on how to make good choices both in the classroom and in the playground.

During the past fortnight students have learnt about the core concept of Communication. The key ideas of these learning areas are Manners and Positive Interactions. Students have been involved in lessons where they develop variety of skills for communicating. Students have been learning about expressing needs and wants using verbal and non-verbal manners.

The students have learnt about developing a variety of skills for communicating by expressing their needs, wants, feelings, ideas and opinions in a positive and respectful manner as well as being able to listen attentively and respond appropriately to others. As students develop their skills in appropriate communication they will develop skills for building positive responsible relationships with their peers, teachers and visitors at Auburn PS and beyond.

Please remember to look at the next newsletter where you will read about other concepts that your children will be learning about.

Ms S. Sharma
PBIS committee member

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Audition for the Choir – Voices of Sydney

Last Chance to Audition for the Choir – Voices of Sydney

*Voices of Sydney Choir* (formerly Sydney Region Choir) is an auditioned and official DEC Choir for public school students from Years 5 – 12, with great performance opportunities. If you like to sing, and would like to sing in a choir, and If you would like to perform in great events (including the 2014 Schools Spectacular)

Then come along to a weekly rehearsal before the end of this term and join the rehearsal.

- Tuesday afternoons at Sutherland Public School. 4.00pm-5.30pm (Deb and Therese)
- Thursday afternoons at Darlington Public School 4.30pm – 5.45pm (Kipi and Helen)

Please ring, text or email to find out more - or turn up to a rehearsal and meet the choir.

Heather Causley Manager- 0400 808 603 causleys@bigpond.net.au

More information on the website [www.sydneyregionarts.det.nsw.edu.au](http://www.sydneyregionarts.det.nsw.edu.au) – Music Programs- Sydney Region Choir (the 2013 information is still current for this year).
Merit Certificates

Congratulations to the students who were presented with their merit awards at recent assemblies. Please see your child’s teacher for these awards.

Community Room News

A sewing/jewellery making class on Fridays is starting on Friday 28 March 2014 from 9.00-11.00 in the Community Room.

All are welcome to attend. This class is free, so come along and express your creative side.

Community Advertising

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Wombat Books is seeking original illustrations from Australian students to publish in a unique picture book by well-known children’s author Aleesah Darlison. The Challenge has been established to provide aspiring young illustrators with the opportunity to be published in a professionally produced children’s book and gain an introduction into the world of illustrating.

The book, titled Zoo Ball, is scheduled for release in early 2015. Up to twenty winning illustrators will be published in the book and will also receive two free copies of the book and a $50 voucher. They will be acknowledged on the Wombat Books website as a rising illustrator and there may be opportunities for them to illustrate work in the future.

One outstanding illustrator will be given the exclusive opportunity to design the cover for the book and will win a cash prize of $200.

For full guidelines and entry forms visit: www.wombatbooks.com.au/competitions

Easter at Auburn Newington Anglican Church For All Nations

Free K-6 Holiday Kids Club

Monday April 14 - Wednesday April 16, 9.30am - 12pm Auburn Anglican: 48 Hall Street, Auburn.

Email for registration: supbeckyg@gmail.com
Or register on day as numbers allow.

Good Friday @ Newington Public School