Principal’s Report
Happy Mother’s Day to all those wonderful mothers in our school community. I heard this quote one day and will never forget it.
A young boy said to his mother, ‘How old were you when I was born?’
His mother replied, ‘23.’ He said, ‘Wow, that’s a lot of time we missed spending together.’
Very special, and I trust you have a wonderful day with your family.

Attendance
Congratulations to the 48 students who received awards for 100% attendance in Term 1. This is a great achievement and one that your children need to be proud of. Wouldn’t it be great to see this number even higher this term.
Congratulations to K/1P for receiving the term Attendance Trophy for having the best overall attendance in Term 1. They hosted Ribbit 5 times during Term 1, due to the best weekly attendance. Ribbit is being hosted by 1K this week, as they had the best attendance in Week 1 this term.

NAPLAN
NAPLAN Assessment arrangements for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week are as follows:
3/4K – Year 3 will be supervised by Mrs Knight for the duration of the test. Year 4 will be given regular classwork in alternate classrooms.
3W will be supervised by Mrs Wendt and Mrs Ross in their classroom.
5/6B – Year 5 will be supervised by Ms Beveridge and a School Learning Support Officer in their classroom.
5/6G – Year 5 students will be going to Ms Beveridge’s room to be supervised during the assessment. Mrs Grant will host all Year 6 students with support from Mrs Burton.
The Assessment times are:
Tuesday – Language Conventions and Writing – 9:30-11:30am
Wednesday – Reading – 9:30-10:30am
Thursday – Numeracy – 9:30-10:30am.
Classes will operate as normal after these times.

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C Meeting is next Tuesday, 13th May from 1:40pm in the school hall. It would be great to see you in attendance.
Bus Zone Parking
The new bus service that operates to and from Heddon Greta stops quite frequently in our bus zone throughout the day. If your car is parked in that zone, Rover coaches are obligated to inform council of these discrepancies and council will, in turn, send a ranger out to monitor traffic in this area. Please ensure you are not parked in the school bus zone at any time.

NRMA Science & Road Safety Day
We had a very informative day on Wednesday with the visiting NRMA Science and Road Safety workshop. Thank you to our parents who were in attendance at the Parent Workshop in the afternoon. I do hope our children and parents learned something new and, indeed, were reminded of the rules and regulations around road safety.

Collecting Children From School
Please ensure you are picking your child up in the school grounds and walking across the road with them of an afternoon. It is far too busy a road to expect your child to walk across the road independently.

Socceroos Excursion
Year 5 students have now joined our Year 6 students in being offered a place on our excursion to the Socceroos v South Africa match on Monday, 26th May. There are very few places left on the bus, please ensure money and notes are handed in promptly before the end of next week, Friday, 16th May.

Girls Soccer
Our Girls’ Soccer team will be playing against Abermain Public School on Friday 16th May. The game will be held at Abermain Soccer Ground at 10am. Good luck girls!

P&C News
Entertainment books have been sent home to all families for you to have a look through. If you DO NOT wish to keep yours please RETURN the book to the office by Wednesday 14th May. If you would like to purchase a copy please pay at the office or you can pay online. Thankyou to all families who bought raffle tickets your kind donations are very much appreciated. We have a P&C meeting next Tuesday 13th May at 1:40pm in the hall. Everyone is welcome.

Eco Explorers Week 3
Angela K/1, Braydon K/1, Stella K/1 and Corey K/1.
Year 6 Fundraising
We will be holding a fundraising meeting in the school Library next Monday 12 May at 3.30pm. The meeting is to plan our next fundraising effort which is Pancake and Pyjama Day. More details will be available following next Monday’s fundraising meeting.
"Ice Cream Day" was highly successful so please come along and help us make this day a success too. We wish to do even better with this venture, and provide a fun activity for the students as well!

Live Life Well at School

Assembly Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received an award at this week’s assembly.

Principal’s Awards: Daniella and Paul.

Creative Writing Workshop
with Julie Simpson @ Kurri Kurri Library

Is dried fruit OK for Crunch & Sip?
Although fresh fruit is the best choice, a small amount of dried fruit (eg sultanas or apricots) is an acceptable Crunch & Sip option.
Dried fruit tends to clink to the teeth, so is best eaten with a meal or when a toothbrush is handy.
NOTE: fruit straps, bars or rolls are NOT permitted as they contain large amounts of sugar.

PELAW MAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C
ASSOCIATION
NEXT MEETING
WHEN: TUESDAY 13th May 2014
WHERE: SCHOOL HALL
TIME: 1:40PM
ALL WELCOME, HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Expressions of interest will be taken for an evening session at Cessnock Library later in the year.

Local author Julie Simpson is a former program maker for ABC Radio. She started writing fiction after moving to the Hunter Valley in 1998. Julie has won a number of writing awards including an ASA Mentorship, a Marian Eldridge Award, a Commonwealth Broadcasting Short Story Award, and a number of national short fiction prizes. Julie has conducted workshops for Central Community College, Central Coast Writers, the Hunter FAW, Cessnock Library and other writing groups.

Shaun Graham - Principal
Charity Golf Day

10am Registration for 11am Shot Gun start

**GOLF**: Non Member $75  Member: $35
**GOLF and DINNER**: $115, includes green fees, light lunch, some drinks during the round, Dinner, and great prizes.
**DINNER ONLY**: $45

Presentation, Prizes and Dinner from 5.30pm

MC - Australian Olympic Gold Medallist, Sarah Ryan.
Entertainment by local music talent - Taylor Eyeingston

Friday 23rd May
Stonebridge Golf Club
Cessnock

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Chase has a rare genetic condition - Phelan McDermid Syndrome and needs your help!