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NEWSLETTER FOR TERM 1 WEEK 5

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Upcoming Events

- Year 6 Pizza Day fundraiser next Wednesday 6th March. Order forms going home today.
- Bandaged Bear Day 8th March, more info below

PEG Spelling - Students in Year 1-6 have now started their PEG Spelling books. Children have been tested and placed on a starting Peg Level. If the child gets 100% for 2 weeks, they will then progress to the next Level. All children will attempt the thematic units, so all will be aware of the words and use them throughout the week but only tested on their Level at the end of the week. Certificates will be given as they progress through the levels. Children need to LOOK COVER WRITE CHECK every night to learn their words. If you are looking for a great app Spelling City is free.

School Fees - This year students will be invoiced for the textbooks they are using in class. These invoices have been sent home and students will receive an Ice Block upon receipt of payment. The School has dropped the voluntary contribution to \$15 per student and up to a maximum of \$40 per family. For any questions regarding this issue please see Mrs Dickinson in the office.

Special Assembly – This Friday there will be an assembly to acknowledge the newly elected Sports Captains and Student Representative Council. We ask that each student involved have a sponsor come to the assembly to pin on their badge. All are welcome to attend the assembly which will be held under the COLA at 2.15pm.

Student Recognition - The following students have already been recognised at our school assembly for their contributions. Congratulations to each of them for their efforts.

- ★ Lara Lockett - Colourful art and neat writing.
- ★ Reese De-Miller - Clever counting in Maths.
- ★ Abigail Nilsson-Taylor - Great Spelling results.
- ★ Hannah Smith - Always doing her best.
- ★ Bevan Lawrence - 100% in 6x table test.
- ★ Shaniya Foster-Nowicz—100% in 6x table test.

Vandalism - The school unfortunately was the victim of yet another vandalism attack over the weekend. Someone tried to get into the cleaners room by forcing the door. If you ever see anyone in the school grounds acting suspiciously please phone the school security unit on 1300 880 021.

Bandaged Bear Day - Children are asked to bring along their favourite teddy bandaged in some form e.g. leg, arm, and a Gold Coin to be donated to the Westmead Children's Hospital. The bears will be judged and prizes given for the best bandaged bear per class.

NRL Visit - On Tuesday we had 3 speakers from the NRL League promotion team talking to the children about bullying and playing league as a sport. This was a very interesting talk and all the children were given brochures and pamphlets. Our children were amazing and listened so attentively, it was a pleasure to be in the room.



Zone Swimming – Congratulations to the amazing swimmers that travelled to Speers Point Pool last Tuesday. All students competed to the best of their ability with Manaia & Travis coming 3rd in their heats. Thanks to all the parents who supported our students on the day.



Binless Day - Next Tuesday March 5th our school will be participating in the Lake Macquarie Environmental Binless day. This day will involve the school having no bins out and children bringing all lunch and recess waste paper home. Parents are asked to pack their child's lunch box with "Nude food" e.g biscuits in a little container etc. Many schools throughout our district already do this and we hope to follow suit later in the term with at least 2 days a week being Binless Days. This however, will not occur on Fridays when the canteen is open.