FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S OFFICE

Choir Success at Marrickville Children’s Festival
Congratulations to the Junior and Senior choir for their strong and entertaining performances at Marrickville West Public School last Saturday.

Preparation was the key and with the warm up completed the junior choir performed to a large and appreciative crowd. Soon after, the growing audience was entertained by our senior choir conducted by Mr Hugh Miller. Towards the end of the Tempe PS session crowd participation grew with many onlookers swaying to Motown music and singing along.

Special thanks to Ms Christy Ko who prepared the junior choir and supported them on the day. Special thanks also to Mr Hugh Miller for working with the Senior choir and leading them on the day.

Parent participation and support was strong so again thank you to the parents and general Tempe Public School community involved.

Easter Hat Parade Thursday 28th March
I look forward to seeing you all at the Easter Hat Parade this coming Thursday. My hat is ready and I am looking forward to my first Easter Hat Parade at Tempe Public School

Student hats have been made at school and it is always a fun time for students and their teachers. I have been told that the Easter bunny has been asked to make a short visit to our school so hopefully he can fit us in to his busy schedule.

Saturday Working Bee 23rd March: Great Result
Please take the time to appreciate the hard work completed by a small yet productive group of parents last Saturday afternoon in the school playground.

The priority project was Abbey’s Garden as planned and in a few short hours it was transformed.

To complete the project there will be another working bee early next term. Please help for an hour or so if at all possible. The date will be advertised in the next few weeks. Thank you to the workers on the day.

Term 2 Week 1
29/04  Staff Development Day (student free)
30/04  Staff Development Day (student free)

YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT REQUIRED
To keep all our students safe and our neighbours happy please ensure that you park in an appropriate parking space.

We have received recent complaints from frustrated neighbours who cannot get in or out of their driveways.

Your support in this area is greatly appreciated.

Ms Karen Sinclair

2013 DIARY DATES

Term 1
29/03  Good Friday public holiday
30/03  Earth Hour
01/04  Easter Monday public holiday
08/04  P&C Meeting
12/04  Last day Term 1

Term 2
29/04  School Development Day (staff off site)
30/04  School Development Day
01/05  All students return Term 2
06/05  School X Country carnival
06/05  P&C Meeting
14/05  Yr 3/5 NAPLAN
15/05  Yr 3/5 NAPLAN
16/05  Yr 3/5 NAPLAN
20/05  Zone X Country
03/06  P&C Meeting
10/06  Queen’s Birthday public holiday
14/06 Regional X Country
28/06 Last day Term 2

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
Creative Arts Groups
Creative Arts Groups start today for all students in Years 1 – 6. Students have been placed in a group according to their nominated preferences. The courses running this year are as follows:

Year 1 & 2 Groups
Painting and Drawing – Miss McDonald
Dance – Mrs McDougall
Clay Modelling – Mrs Panagiris
Drama – Ms Sofios

Year 3 - 6 Groups
Painting and Drawing – Ms Friday
3D Model Building – Mr Holden
Origami – Mrs Ko
Dance – Mrs Layton-Marshall
Textiles and Embroidery – Mrs Tonpi
Film Making – Mr Williams and Mr Miller

The Creative Arts Groups will be working towards preparing exhibits and performances for the school’s 150th anniversary celebrations in Term 3.

Ms Carole Friday and Mr Hugh Miller.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS
Easter Holiday Road Safety (Part 2) (Repeat item)

Please remember that children are inexperienced road users and that it’s important they are supervised in the traffic environment. Please remember to:

- Hold your child’s hand while in the car park, on the footpath and when crossing the road.
- Always buckle up in your seatbelt and follow the national child restraint laws for 0-7 year olds.
- Help your children exit the car using the rear passenger door on the footpath side.
- Ensure your child wears a helmet and rides in a safe place away from the road while on a bike, scooter or skateboard.

Easter /ANZAC double demerit period

Double demerit points apply to all speeding and seatbelt offences from Thursday 28 March to Monday 1 April inclusive. Demerits also apply in the ANZAC period 24-28 April inclusive.

Neighbour Day – 27 March
Neighbour Day began in Melbourne, Victoria in 2003 following community concern after an elderly woman was found dead in her home two years after her death. In 2007, Neighbour Day became a global event being endorsed by the UN Secretary-General, Mr Kofi Annan.

Good Friday (Christian) - 29 March
The crucifixion of Jesus Christ is commemorated on this day. Traditionally fish is eaten rather than meat. Hot cross buns have become associated with Good Friday.

April Fools’ Day - 1 April
Until the sixteenth century, New Year’s Day was celebrated in France on 1 April. In 1562 Pope Gregory introduced the Gregorian calendar proclaiming 1 January as New Year’s Day. People who were unaware of or did not believe the change of date continued to celebrate New Year’s Day on 1 April. These people were played tricks on by others and called “April Fools”.

International Children’s Book Day – 2 April
International Children’s Book Day is celebrated to inspire children with a love of reading and to draw attention to the importance of books. It has been celebrated since 1967 and falls on or around 2 April which is Hans Christian Andersen’s date of birth. More information can be found on www.ibby.org.

P&C NEWS
School Banking starts Friday after Easter!
How Exciting!!! School Banking will commence at 8:30am Friday 5th April.

It will operate before school on Friday mornings.

All parents are welcome to open an account for their child.

A representative from Commonwealth Bank will be onsite to assist our volunteers with opening accounts and the first day of running the bank.

Would any families whose children already have existing Commonwealth Bank accounts please bring their child’s account numbers with them on that day. The staff will be able to add those accounts into the school system.

For parents who are undecided, it is possible to join in the program any Friday morning in the future. Any existing A/C holders will be placed onto the school system when they are ready.

Special thanks to Stacey Lamont and Melissa Collins who have organised it all and are volunteering every Friday morning.
ROCKCAMP
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
EASTER 2013

Camp 1: (*$84): Mon 15th-Tues 16th April (2 half days)
Camp 2: (*$42): Wednesday 17th April (1 half day)
Camp 3: (*$84): Thurs 18th - Fri 19th April (2 half days)

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