STUDENT COUNCIL SPEECHES

On Thursday 12th November several of our Year 5 students presented speeches for election to the leadership position of Student Councillor - 2016. These students delivered convincing speeches and made influential impressions on students and staff who voted. The presentation of badges to successful candidates will be made at the final assembly for the year which is on Wednesday 16th December. Three girls and three boys will take up this leadership role.

I would like to acknowledge all students who took the time and thought to deliver such powerful speeches. Congratulations to Courtney Carter, Amelia Dosualdo, Cameron Dungey, Jasmine Hokianga, Willow Stewart and Taylor Wathne. Equally as impressive were the boys: Osman Abdiralman, Seth Carter, Peter Channer-Holmes, Wilson Chou, Leighland Eberhardt, Patrick Galvin-Keppie, Joshua Green and Luke Kay.

ORIENTEERING WESTERN AUSTRALIA

On the afternoon of Saturday 5 December, Orienteering WA will be holding an event that will start and finish at this school. Flyers are available from the school office.

2016 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS (SDD)

To assist parents with planning for 2016, the following 7 days are pupil free SDD and have been approved by the School Board.

Term 1 – Thursday 28 January, 2016
   Friday 29 January, 2016
Term 2 - Tuesday 26 April, 2016
   (Mon 25 April – ANZAC day holiday)
   Tuesday 7 June, 2016
   (Mon 6 June – W.A. Day holiday)
Term 3 – Monday 18 July, 2016
Term 4 – Monday 10 October, 2016
   Friday 16 December, 2016

PARENT ENGAGEMENT RESEARCH

Thank you to the parents who met with the researcher from Western Sydney University last Tuesday to discuss Parent Engagement. As Illawarra was one of only four schools included in WA, it was important for our parents to participate. Dr Waters was delighted with the parents’ input and thanked the school for its involvement.

Michael King
Principal

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Students have commenced rehearsals for the Christmas Concert which is on Tuesday 8 December commencing 7.00pm. The school has employed the services of School Memories Captured to film and produce a DVD of the Christmas Concert. We have used this company in the past and their productions are of a very high quality. Accompanying today’s newsletter is an order form where you can pre-order the DVD for $24.00. Please complete this order form with payment details enclosed and return this to your child’s classroom teacher by Monday 7 December. Order placed after this date will incur the cost of $35.00 per DVD as outlined on the flyer.

Please note that if you have a child who is graduating this year and wish to order the Year 6 Graduation DVD, these are separate orders.

A NOTE FROM MISS FERRARA ABOUT CONCERT NIGHT: TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER.

Costumes: Unless otherwise advised by Miss Ferrara or the class teacher, students are to wear a red, blue, white and green colour theme such as Christmas T-Shirts, tops, dress, shorts etc and a Christmas hat. If you don’t have shorts in the Christmas colours, wear blue school shorts.

Year 6 students are to wear their graduation shirt and a Santa hat.

Times: Pre Primary and Year 6 Performance students need to be at school by 6.30pm.
All other students need to be in their classrooms by 6.45pm.
The concert will start at 7.00pm.
BOOKLISTS

Campion have now collected the 2016 Booklist orders from the office. No further orders will be accepted at the office and booklists will need to be forwarded to Campion Education at 7 Oxleigh Drive, Malaga, or ordered online at www.campion.com.au using ZWH3 as your school code.

IN TERM SWIMMING P-P TO YEAR 6

Earlier this week students took home a letter outlining requirements for swimming that commences Monday 23 November and concludes on Friday 4 December. (See attachment) With temperatures in the thirties next week children are reminded to wear protective swimwear and sunscreen. Please ensure that the blue swimming notes are returned to school by Friday (tomorrow) at the latest with payment. Students not attending swimming lessons will remain and school and complete assigned work.

SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2016

The Department of Education coordinate a range of scholarships that provides financial support to secondary students.

The scholarships and criteria to be met by applicants are online and applications close at 5.30pm on Monday 14 December.

Further information is available at http://det.wa.edu.au/schoolsandyou/detcms/navigation/discover-the-opportunities/secondary-school-opportunities/scholarships/

LIBRARY BORROWING

A reminder, that all books must be returned to the library. It would be appreciated if you could follow up on your child/children returning their books ASAP. Thank you.

ENROLMENTS 2016

We still have vacancies for students from K-Year 6 and families are invited to submit their application for enrolment as soon as possible. Enrolment forms are available from the front office or the school website at www.illawarraps.wa.edu.au

From the P&C...

TACO TUESDAY

Taco Tuesday is on Tuesday 1 December!!! Pre-order forms and a colouring competition are attached to this newsletter so you can join in our Mexican fiesta!

Parents, pre order your child’s lunch box by Friday 27 November to go into the draw for a Mexican Surprise Pack.

Kids, put your Taco Tuesday Colouring-In Page into the box in the office by Friday 27 November to go into the draw for some sweet treats.

CHRISTMAS DONATION FOR THE HOMELESS – PLEASE HELP SHOPFRONT PROVIDE!

Over the next 4 weeks until Monday 14 December the Illawarra Student Council are collecting supplies for the homeless people of Perth. Lots of charities that help look after the homeless shut down over Christmas. Shopfront in Maylands hands out supplies to help homeless families survive over the Christmas holidays. We would appreciate it if you could provide non-perishable food items, ie canned or packaged food and treats. Shopfront will also be grateful for donations of toiletry items such as toilet paper, soap, baby needs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant etc. Please drop any donations for the homeless to the school office.

CAMP AUSTRALIA’S JUNIOR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

This term we are celebrating junior global citizenship program. This program encourages children to explore their own values and share their opinions while respecting the values and opinions of others. By encouraging children to do this through our program, we aim to create a base for a contributing global citizen that lasts a lifetime.

Working in partnership with Oxfam Australia this program has been approved as being culturally respectful. Through this program we would be creating awareness about the concept, learn about South Africa and its wildlife and conservation. Along with that we would also be creating handmade gifts for children attending Sophakama’s After School Care Program.

SCHOOL DIARY
TERM FOUR 2015

NOVEMBER
20 2016 Kindy Parent’s meeting starting 8:45am
30 P&C Meeting 3pm

23 NOVEMBER – 4 DECEMBER
IN-TERM SWIMMING

DECEMBER
3 Newsletter
7 Year 6’s visit to B.C.C.
8 Christmas Concert 7pm
14 Graduation Ceremony 7pm
15 K-6 Reports go home
16 Final Assembly 8:45am
Class Parties
Final Newsletter
17 LAST DAY OF TERM
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!
CHILDREN START SCHOOL ON MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2016

UNIFORM SHOP:
Open every MONDAY 8:15 – 9:00am
Order forms are available at the front office or on the school’s website. If the hours are not convenient, please leave your order form together with your payment at the office

COSTUME SHOP:
Open on THURSDAYS between 2:30pm-3:15pm.
Lisa: 0412 950 462 Leave a message and I will return your call ASAP. Email: illawarracostumes@gmail.com

SCHOOL BANKING:
Tuesday Mornings
8.15 – 8.45am in the Canteen.

CANTEEN: Open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays