UPCOMING DATES

TERM 2

WEEK 4
Thu 14 May NAPLAN
Fri 15 May NAPLAN Catch Up Day $100 Final Myuna Bay payment due
Stage 2 & 3 Uni Sport

WEEK 5
Mon 18 May GRIP Leadership
Tue 19 May AFL 12-1pm
Wed 20 May Yr 5 Careers though reading SpeakOut Day CC Waratah
Fri 22 May Stage 2 & 3 Uni Sport

WEEK 6
Tue 26 May PB&M Meeting Stage 1 Woolworths Excursion
Thu 28 May Athletics Carnival
Fri 29 May Stage 2 & 3 Uni Sport

WEEK 7
Mon 1 Jun Myuna Bay Camp
Tue 2 Jun Myuna Bay Camp
Wed 3 Jun Myuna Bay Camp

WEEK 8
Mon 8 Jun Public Holiday
Thu 11 Jun Athletics Carnival Backup

Myuna Bay
The Myuna Bay Camp is fast approaching!

Parent Information Packs and Permission Notes were handed out last week. Further copies are available on the school website.

There is an online component that the Department of Sport and Recreation (camp providers) require all parents/guardians to complete. The link for this site is: [http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform/index.asp](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform/index.asp)

Instructions on how to complete this component are on Page 4 of the Parent Pack.

Please return all forms as soon as possible.
Mr Bannister

Athletics Carnival
All children from Kindergarten to Year 6 have received their athletics carnival note. The carnival will be a fun day for everyone with a variety of events for all ages. It will be held at Federal Park, Wallsend on Thursday 28th May. Permission Notes and $6.00 for the bus should be returned to class teachers by tomorrow. The canteen will operate on the day. More information will be sent home regarding lunch orders closer to the day.

Public Speaking
Over the next few weeks, all students across the school from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be receiving information about the Term 2 Public Speaking task. Every student will be completing the task, which is part of the English Speaking and Listening curriculum.

Students will be expected to prepare a short verbal presentation at home as part of their homework and will be given the chance to present it to their class in Week 9. The speech can be about anything that interests them. Suggested topics will be available in the classroom for students who are in need of inspiration.

Two students from each class will be chosen to represent their class in the Stage Speak-Off, from which the two best speakers from each stage will be selected to compete at an inter-school competition next term. Details about this will be shared as they become available. Good luck everyone!

Getting a Grip on Leadership
Our four student leaders, Agsa, Mitchell, Zac and Kiana have been invited to attend a student leadership conference in Newcastle on Monday 18th May.

The GRIP Leadership Conference will be a great opportunity for the leaders to think about what a leader is and what type of leader they want to be. They will learn about the impact they can have on others and share ideas about how they can use their role in a meaningful way.

Interrelate
The school would once again like to offer families the evening sexuality and relationship education programs delivered by Interrelate. There would be two programs available with many families staying for both sessions.

- **Years 3, 4, 5 & 6** Where Did I Come From? 1 hr
- **Years 5 & 6** Preparing for Puberty 1 hr

An expression of interest has gone home to students in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 to determine if we have sufficient interest to run these workshops as there is a minimum number required.
We would anticipate that, if they are running it would be in late Term 3. If you are interested, please return these notes as soon as possible.

**Stewart House Day - 2015 Donation Drive**

Stewart House is the Department of Education and Communities children’s charity. Each year there are children from our school who visit Stewart House and receive their support. All families have received an envelope for the Stewart House Donation Drive. Your donation will help support over 1800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT. If you would like to donate to Stewart House, please place $2 in the envelope and return to the school by Friday 15th May for the chance to win a $4000 family holiday.

**Office News**

Due to school banking arrangements on Fridays, please be aware we are unable to accept any payments for excursions/school activities after 11.00am. Please ensure any payments are given to your child's teacher or handed to the office before this time. This includes final payments for the Myuna Bay Camp and Athletics Carnival due on Friday 15th May. Thank you for your support.

**Late Arrivals**

There has been an increase in the number of students who arrive late to school on a regular basis. Parents are reminded that school begins at 9.00am and it is very important that students are at school by this time, ready to begin their day.

Arriving at school on time ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day and helps them to learn the importance of punctuality and routine. It gives students time to greet their friends before class and reduces classroom disruption.

**Sportslink**

Once again, Jesmond Public School Stage 2 and 3 students will this year take part in the Sportslink program. This valuable program gives the students the chance to learn a new sport, develop new skills and practice these in a friendly social competition with other students in nearby schools.

Our chosen sport this year is benchball. This is a fun game that all students can take part in and enjoy. Stage 3 students will take part in the inter-school Sportslink competition on Thursday 25th June.

**Callaghan College Wallsend Campus**

Do you have a Year 6 Student enrolling in Year 7 at Callaghan College Wallsend Campus in 2016?

Parents and Year 6 students are invited to come along to our Parent Expo on Monday 18 May 2015. There will be a free BBQ and organised tours of the school, meet under the COLA from 3.30pm. Staff and student leaders will be available to answer any questions you may have. We hope to see you there!

**YEAR 7 2016 STUDENT & PARENT EXPO**

**Monday 18 May 2015 at 3.30pm**

**Book Club**

Thank you to everyone who as placed a Book Club order. We will be placing the order on Friday and will notify the students when the books arrive.

**P&C News**

We are looking for parents to help on a sub-committee for the Trivia Night. We are holding this meeting on Monday 18th May at 3.30pm. If you would like to help either come along to this meeting or please contact Megan Gleeson on 0428 104 345. Come along and help organise some fun.

**Mothers’ Day Stall**

A big thank you to all the families that supported our school by making a successful Mothers’ Day Stall. We raised over $300.00. We would like to thank Christine Hawkins, Michelle Power, Megan Gleeson, Alecia Walters, Annie Chapman, Debbie Adams, Angelica Kim, Kian Walters and Sophie Henderson for helping with the Mothers’ Day Stall. We hope all the mothers had a lovely day.
Fundraising – Brickfest
Brickfest notes have gone out today. This event will be held at PCYC Broadmeadow on the 4th and 5th July. 100% of any tickets sold by us prior to the event go directly to the school. Tickets bought early will fast track into the event. It’s a great day out for the kids and parents alike. Tickets are $10.00 family ticket or $4.00 single ticket. Don’t forget to encourage friends and family to purchase these tickets through us. Each Monday the tickets will be available from the Uniform Shop or by using the order form. Tickets will be distributed on Monday afternoon as the students leave the school. If you don’t wish your child to take the tickets home, they can be picked up from the office Monday afternoon only. Please support our school.

Canteen
Canteen will be open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for Term 2.

Uniform Shop
Uniform Shop old logo sale (only while stocks last)

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Uniform Shop is open on Monday morning from 8.45 am until 9.15am.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 26th May at 6.00pm in the library. Come along and see what goes on in the background.

Community News