FROM THE DEPUTIES’ OFFICES

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Our group photo day is coming up on Monday 8th April. Photos of groups such as bands and orchestras will be taken on this day.

Group photos will be available for order after they have been taken and we have been sent samples to have a look at. These will be on display for a period of time once they have been made available to us.

All enquiries regarding photo packages, prices and photos are to be made directly to the photography company: Advancedlife 1300 728 972

STUDENT WELFARE

MOTH BALLS (Naphthalene)
We have several students in the school who have a life-threatening allergy to naphthalene, which is the main ingredient found in moth balls. As it gets closer to winter and the warm clothes come out of storage, please do not send your child/ren to school in clothes that have been exposed to moth balls. Thank you for your support regarding this important health matter.

HEALTH
With Easter nearly upon us, please remember we have a number of students who have severe and/or potentially life-threatening allergies to some food products. We ask you to support these students by not sharing Easter eggs and other foodstuffs with students at school. Thank you.

CURRICULUM

PARENTS’ GUIDE TO THE NSW PRIMARY SYLLABUSES – helping parents to understand their child’s progress through primary school (NSW Board of Studies – available online at http://k6.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/go/parents/parents-guide-to-the-nsw-primary-syllabuses)

Science and Technology develops students’ skills in thinking, investigating and problem solving. It gives them knowledge and skills in scientific investigation, design and applied technology. This subject builds on the curiosity children have about their natural and built environments.

Examples of science and technology in Kindergarten:

Students:

• Design and make simple plans to show things such as their house and toys;
• Show how things move by push and pull actions;
• Talk about the different needs and wants of animals and sort models or pictures according to needs and wants;
• Talk about their environment, including features such as clouds, weather and day and night;
• Talk about how they can look after their environment;
• Talk about different forms of energy and identify its use in daily life.
Examples of science and technology in Year 1 and Year 2:
Students:
- Observe patterns and suggest possible explanations;
- Observe and record the changes in a living thing;
- Explore magnets and their properties;
- Talk about how living things depend on their environment;
- Observe animal life.

Examples of science and technology in Year 3 and 4:
Students:
- Observe and report on a local environment
- Design and make models using sticks, timber, cardboard, bark, glue, fabric, etc….
- Describe how plants and animals rely on each other in a ‘mini-environment’ – eg: a park or playground
- Research and record phases of the moon over time and propose explanations as to why it changes

Examples of science and technology in Year 5 and 6:
Students:
- Use simulation software on the computer – eg: to create a model city
- Study different rock types and crystals using technology
- Research the cause and effect of natural disasters
- Learn about energy and energy transfer
- Evaluate proposed building designs for items such as a bridge or house for the future
- Use a water-testing device to test water quality in a local waterway and study the water cycle
- Learn how an electrical circuit works
- Learn how gears work for machines

REMINDERS

STUDENT ABSENCES
If your child has been away from school please provide a note and/or medical certificate for all absences immediately upon your child’s return to school.

APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE
If you intend for your child/ren to be away from school for 15 or more consecutive school days, you must complete an ‘Application for Leave’ form. These are available from the school office. Thank you.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS
Please ensure your emergency contact details are kept up to date. Please also ensure emergency contact people indicated are actually available and willing to collect a student in an emergency situation during school hours. If you need to make any changes to your emergency contact details please see the school office.

Rebecca Salter, Jo Meldrum and Tim Kay

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Dear Parents / Carers,

It would be appreciated if all families finalise all outstanding payments for Term 1 before the Term 2 Activity Statements are sent out next week.

Please note, you can always pay on-line via the school website. Thank you.
**AWARDS**

The following students received **Merit Awards**:

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**MUSICAL NEWS**

**BAND AND ORCHESTRA**

This is an invitation for all band and orchestra parents and guardians to join us for Breakfast and/or Afternoon Tea. Have you ever wondered what goes on at rehearsal? Here’s your chance to find out. While you are eating a light breakfast or scrumptious afternoon tea our Musical Directors will talk you through a rehearsal and you will see how we produce our award-winning performances.

The events will be held in the hall on the following days –

- **Tuesday 2nd April**  
  Stage Band Breakfast in the Hall 3.00-4.00pm  
- **Wednesday 3rd April**  
  Symphony & Chamber Orch. Breakfast in Hall 8.00-9.00am  
- **Wednesday 3rd April**  
  Concert Band Afternoon Tea in Hall 3.00-4.00pm  
- **Thursday 4th April**  
  Senior Band Breakfast in the Hall 8.00-9.00am  
- **Friday 5th April**  
  Training Band & Training Orchestra Breakfast in the Hall 8.00-9.00am  
  (Training Orchestra will rehearse in the hall only on that day)

A note went home last week asking for volunteers to help with these events, please look out for it.
LIBRARY NEWS

THE PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

The SHPS library staff continues to promote the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC)* as a great way to extend children’s reading skills and expose them to a ‘smorgasbord’ of classic writing for children.

Students in K-2 must read 30 books to complete the challenge.
All K-2 classes have a Premier’s Reading Challenge story read to them during their library visit each week. Each K-2 student’s online reading record already lists the 15 PRC titles to be shared during the K-2 visits in terms one and two. In order to complete the challenge, students need to read or share a further 15 PRC books and enter them online.

Years 3 and 4 (marked with a Yellow Star) need to read 20 books to complete the challenge.
Of these, 15 must be on the NSW PRC list and 5 can be personal choice books. Only two books from the same series can be listed in one entry.

Students in Years 5 and 6 also need to read 20 books to complete the challenge.
Of these, 15 must be on the NSW PRC list and 5 can be personal choice books. Only two books from the same series can be listed in one entry.
Students from Years 5 and 6 can locate NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge books held in our library collection by using the ‘Reading Lists’ section of our school library catalogue - ‘My Library’.

*Please note that the library computer system does not record your child’s loan history so it is important to record each title your child reads before returning it to the library!

Once read, the title should be recorded into the student’s reading record online at:
www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge

Children can log on to the PRC website using the same username and password they use to access the Kid Space Portal. Usually this takes the following form: username= john.smith3 and password = 2xx (class name.)

HOME READING BOOKS

Younger students develop their reading skills by taking home a levelled reading book from their classroom collection every day.

We need your assistance to maintain this valuable collection of literacy resources. Please ensure your children are using the school home reading bags or provide your children with similar, sturdy waterproof bags in order to safely transport their home reading books and library books to and from school.

A replacement charge of $10 is incurred if your child loses or damages a home reading book.

CHESS NEWS

Sydney Academy of Chess will be running a Local Heat of the Interschool Chess Challenge at Canterbury Public School on Thursday 11th April from 8.30am-2.00pm. Chess-playing students from Summer Hill Public School are invited to compete and represent their school. The top 4 scorers will count towards the total school score, and the highest 3 schools qualify for the Semi-Finals to be held in Term 3, 2013. Forming teams is not necessary and any amount of students can take part, as the tournament is run as an individual event. For more information, please visit www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/interschool.
P&C NEWS

NATIONAL RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY

Congratulations to all the students for walking and riding their bikes or scooters to school on National Ride2School Day last Friday 22 March! We celebrated with a special prize draw at assembly and a hands up count of how students travelled to school on the day. First prize of a great bike basket was won by Aileen in Year 2. Jill N in Year 6 won a cool bike bag in the primary assembly first prize draw.

Over half our school students walked or rode to school on the day. We had about 100 students ride bikes or scooters and our new bike/scooter racks were overflowing! The top number of bike and scooter riders was achieved by classes KRS and IES (Infants) and 4JM and 4MA (Primary). A special mention also to 1EP, 4SB and 5KB who had the top number of students walking or riding.

We would like to encourage our students keep up riding and walking to school throughout the entire year and welcome your ideas - contact leighringrose@hotmail.com.

Many thanks to Gazelle Bicycles for supporting the event by donating the prizes to participating students. Thank you to Mark Warnock for support and the P&C Sustainability Committee for running the event.

HOT CROSS BUNS STALL THIS THURSDAY 28 MARCH!!

Don’t forget that the pre-ordered hot cross buns will be available for payment and pickup at the stall this Thursday 28 March from 8.15-9.15am. Unfortunately no buns will be available for purchase on the day.

If you have any questions or would like to help out on the stall on Thursday 28 March, please contact kayleneandsyd@gmail.com

DO YOU HAVE A FEVER? IS IT…DISCO FEVER?!

It is that time of year! Mark the date in your diary now:

Friday 5 April – the last Friday evening of daylight savings.

The K-3 Disco runs from 5.00pm until 6.30pm and the Year 4-6 Disco runs from 6.30pm until 8.00pm.

While the kids get down and boogie to the beats, the parents can catch up and have a drink and a picnic.
Entry is only $5, and includes a glow stick. There will be a sausage sizzle, slushies, lollypops and much more. There will also be special coloured hairspray to brighten up the disco dancers!

If you are available to help on the night we would LOVE your assistance. Please contact Helen De Wolfe on 0408 003 757 or dewolfies@yahoo.com.au See you on the dance floor!

SPORT NEWS

SENIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL REPORT

On the 22nd of March, Summer Hill played against Homebush at Centenary. We all played a great game and won 18-0. Congratulations to everyone. Charlotte and Emile were the star players. Great job team!

Madeleine M (Team Captain)

SENIOR BOYS SOFTBALL REPORT

On the 22nd of March the Senior Boys Softball team won 12 to 0. We played Homebush at Centenary Park. It was a good game and we only had 2 innings of batting.

Finn T (Team Captain)

JUNIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL REPORT

It was a good game and best of all, Homebush was a good opponent. Luckily we won, but it was a close game. The score was 7-4. In the end both schools congratulated each other by shaking hands and it was a great way to end the season.

Emma K (Team Member)
COMMUNITY NEWS

UNIFORMS FOR SALE
2 x size 10 girls' school uniform dresses (only 6 weeks old) Both for $50.
Please contact Belinda on 0409 810 978.

PIANO FOR SALE
Yamaha DGX-500 Portable Grand Piano
Excellent condition selling for $350
The first 88-note portable. The DGX500 is the top-of-the-line in Yamaha’s new Portable Grand series - designed from the ground up with a piano focus in mind. Features include 88 keys, Disk drive, Pedal & contemporary stand. Simply put, it’s a piano at a Portable Keyboard price.
Weight: 14kg Height: 173mm Depth: 430mm
Phone: 0425 811 728

SPANISH 4 KIDS
Learning Spanish would not only benefit your children in the area of language but in their academics, social skills, thinking and confidence!
Classes run by a Qualified Native Teacher.
(12 students per class max., minimum of 5)

Where? (Donde?)
Summer Hill Community Center

What? (Cuando?)
Mondays:
3.30pm to 4.00 pm. Kids 6 to 9 years old. Beginning level only
Tuesday:
3.30pm to 4.00 pm. Kids 6 to 9 years old. Beginning level only
Friday:
8.10am to 8.55am Kids 10 to 12 years old. Beginning level only
Courses are from Term 2 to Term 4 x 10 sessions per term

Cost? (Cuanto?)
$160 per term per student.
$250 per term student
Alternative times, HSC preparation, private tuition, SKYPE tuition and adult classes available upon request.

DATE LINE registration for term 2: 15th APRIL
For registration and further info please contact 0412 161 781 natortiz@big.com.au

Muchas gracias!!

NATALIA ORTIZ

DEADLINE: Please make all submissions for the next issue of the Summer Hill e-News BEFORE TUESDAY 2nd APRIL, 12.00PM.
FORTHCOMING CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

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.

Easter Sunday (Christian) - 31 March
Easter Saturday celebrates Christ’s resurrection. The ancient custom of exchanging eggs on Easter Sunday is to celebrate new life.

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”.

Parking safely near the school

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Parking unsafely can put children’s lives at risk. Increased fines and loss of demerit points apply when certain offences are committed in an operating school zone.

Parking or stopping on or near a pedestrian crossing
The minimum penalty of a $344 fine and the loss of 2 demerit points applies for stopping or parking a vehicle on or near:
- A pedestrian crossing.
- A children’s crossing.
- Any marked foot crossing.

The following behaviours put children at risk outside the school
- Calling children across the road.
- Dropping children on the wrong side of the road.
- Leaving children in a vehicle without adult supervision.
- Double parking.
- Parking in a bus zone or driveway.
- Making an illegal U-turn.

Double parking
The minimum fine for double parking is $258 and the loss of 2 demerit points.

Making an illegal U-turn
The minimum penalty for making an illegal U-turn is a $258 fine and the loss of 3 demerit points.

Parking on the footpath
The minimum penalty for parking on a footpath or across a driveway is $143 and the loss of 2 demerit points.

For further enquiries www.rta.nsw.gov.au | 132213
Move Ahead with Street Sense is a road safety education program delivered as part of the PDHPE program in all NSW primary schools

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INTERSCHOOL CHESS CHALLENGE 2013
Entry Form for Local Heat @ Canterbury Public School
Thursday 11th April, 2013

Dear Parent,

Sydney Academy of Chess is running a series of Interschool Chess Challenge events across NSW in 2013. Students from Summer Hill Public School have been invited to participate in the Local Heat to be held at Canterbury Public School on Thursday 11th April, 2013 from 8:30am – 2pm.

Division: Primary Schools

Address: Canterbury Public School
        Church St, Canterbury

Format: This tournament is run as an individual event, with the winning school determined by adding the top 4 scorers from each school. Each school can enter any number of players and there is no need to rank them into teams. The tournament is a 7-round Swiss competition, which means all players play all 7 rounds and no-one is knocked out of the tournament. The top 3 schools will qualify for the Regional Semi-Finals, to be held in Term 3.

To Enter: Please fill in the form below and return it to your child’s school office by Thursday 4th April, with the entry fee of $10. Make sure that your payment and form are enclosed in a sealed envelope, with your child’s name and class clearly written on the front. Cheques are to be made payable to Summer Hill Public School. The school chess coordinator will then send all the received entries to Sydney Academy of Chess.

For information on this event and other chess activities, please visit the Sydney Academy of Chess website: www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/interchool

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Interschool Chess Challenge 2013
Entry Form for Local Heat @ Canterbury Public School on Thursday 11th April

I wish to enter my child, ____________________________ in class _____ to represent Summer Hill Public School and play in the Interschool Chess Challenge to be held at Canterbury Public School on Thursday 11th April, 2013.

Relevant Medical Conditions/Allergies: _________________________________________________________________

Contact Number(s): Home_________________________Mobile_________________________

Signed: ___________________________________________  Date: __/__/____
