FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S OFFICE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

School holidays are fast approaching. Please check the lost property bins outside 5/6TK classroom and collect any lost jackets, hats, lunchboxes, bottles etc. The students in 5/6TK have sorted through the items and given out all named articles, however there is a multitude of unnamed items that will be given to the 2nd hand uniform shop next week if not claimed.

Chess Champions
The Summer Hill Public School Girls Chess team won a play off match on the weekend against three other schools, Abbotsleigh Junior School, Lindfield Public School and Strathfield South Public School. They will now represent NSW at the Australian Primary School Chess Championships held in Adelaide in December! The team consisted of Eva G (Scored 2/3), Melissa S (scored 2/3), Amanda L (Scored 2/3), Shuyi Y (Scored 2/2) and Annica S (Scored 1/1). Congratulations to all these amazing students.

School Survey
Early in Term 4 we will be asking our school community to participate in a Strategy Census survey to assist the school in finding a solution to our overcrowding issue. This year we have a total of 805 students K-6. In 2015 our anticipated enrolment is 838 students, and by 2019 it is projected that we will have approx. 892 students at Summer Hill PS. We would like to consult with the community to decide on options to manage this issue. This survey will give all members of our school community a voice in decision making that will be unbiased. I have therefore approached an independent market research company to conduct the survey to ensure that the survey is conducted with integrity and quality. An email will be sent out to all our families in Term 4 with information in regard to accessing the survey and I hope that all members of the community will engage in the process.

Operation Art
Last Saturday Mrs Bell and I attended the opening of the Operation Art Exhibition at the Armory Gallery at Sydney Olympic Park where four children from Summer Hill Public School had paintings on display. Pamela L (2MD), Ben M (3BB), Samuel Y (5GB) and Max G (5GB) all produced outstanding pieces of art. All the paintings in the exhibition will eventually be donated to hospitals throughout NSW and displayed in children’s wards. The works by Samuel and Max will be part of a collection to tour major regional galleries in NSW. They will then be displayed at the Art Gallery of NSW before becoming part of the permanent collection at The Children’s Hospital at Westmead.

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)
Our English competition awards were provided to all students who participated in the ICAS English Competition this year. We had a total of 239 students who participated and were awarded: 23 High Distinctions; 72 Distinctions; 71 Credits; 18 Merits and 55 Participation certificates.

Musicale
I look forward to another fabulous night of musical magic performed by our talented students tomorrow night in the hall. I would like to thank the parents and staff who support these performances and work tirelessly behind the scenes to make it all work so well on the night. Parents may collect their children from the COPA after the performance. Thank you.

Movie Night
I would like to thank Mr David Read and his team of extraordinary helpers for a wonderful night at the movies. Mr Warnock described it as very well organised and a wonderfully warm community event. I hope all our fathers, uncles and grandfathers were spoilt for Father’s Day.

Apology
I would like to apologise to the students who provided their artwork to be exhibited at the recent Wests Ashfield Art Competition. Unfortunately I did not get the artwork to the club in time and I understand that these students and their families were very disappointed. I am extremely sorry that I let these students down and will endeavour to ensure that this does not happen again.

Karen Shehata.

TERM 4 BEGINS ON TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER FOR ALL STUDENTS.
FROM THE DEPUTIES’ OFFICES

STUDENT WELFARE

STUDENT LEADERS 2015

Term 4 and the Year 6 student leader (2015) elections/selections will soon be here. As part of the lead-up to this time the Year 5 students with their teachers have discussed the qualities the students think a leader should possess and display. Each class came up with a list of qualities and these have been condensed into a single list (see below). This will be displayed in the Year 5 classrooms.

More information regarding the student leader elections/selections will be distributed to students and their families at the start of Term 4.

Our student welfare policies, including student leadership policies, can be viewed on the school’s website at: http://www.summerhill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/caring-for-students/student-welfare-policies

A GOOD STUDENT LEADER:

1. Is inclusive and tolerant of others and their opinions
2. Is respectful and trustworthy
3. Is responsible and leads by example.
4. Is reliable and honest.
5. Is organised, cooperative, confident and an effective communicator
6. Is flexible and displays initiative
7. Is compassionate, genuinely friendly and optimistic
8. Shows maturity and pride in their position

By Year 5 2014

Mark Warnock and Jane Williams

DP: SPECIAL MENTIONS (GOOSE AWARDS)

* Feather: for Junior Prasad for trying to help others to sort problems out peacefully on the playground.

GEESE WRITERS take off....

At Summer Hill we have been focusing hard on improving the skills of ALL of our writers: young and old, enthusiasts and reluctant authors. In the coming weeks I would like to share with you some of the fantastic work that has been emerging from that teaching/learning journey:

This week we have some examples from Grade 2 and Grade 5. Congratulations girls:

SPLENDID, SIZZLING AND SUSPENSEFUL....
Uninvited Guests

Suddenly he heard a sound coming from the basement. He felt a metallic taste dancing on his tongue. His heart started pounding faster than normal. The stairs creaked as he walked down. He felt sweat dripping down his face. In front of him he saw a little door, he could feel the fear. He got closer and closer. The closer he got, the more scared he became. He thought he saw the door open. He saw a crack of light.

by Grace C
CAUGHT

BOOM! CRASH! BANG! The door fell with a large slam on the hard, wooden floorboards, sending a spooky echo through the abandoned shack. "They must be in here somewhere!" yelled an unknown voice as the soldiers trooped in. "Do whatever it takes to get those little brats!" came the voice again. Clearly, footsteps could be heard charging up the flight of creaky stairs, opening doors, windows, cupboards, wardrobes; everything within the reach of the muscular men was destroyed. They stopped suddenly as they came to the rusty kitchen. A young man's voice whispered through the eerie darkness. The children knew that this was not the voice they'd heard before but someone much more murderous...

Anna, Laura and Jamie had been living quite pleasantly with their parents until everything changed. Their father had lost his job, which left the family with no income or savings. The salary their father received had been used already. He was then employed at an all-Jewish telephone company and their mother took up small jobs housekeeping for households on their street. This supported the family a tiny bit, but not enough because prices were rising, rapidly. The Nazi invasion frightened the children, especially when their parents were taken to a concentration camp on the other side of Germany. The children were left to fend for themselves; though Anna was only four, Laura was twelve and Jamie eleven (he thought himself a man). They soon discovered their parents had been killed, even though they were too young for this sort of news. Which leads us to our story...

Laura and Anna shivered as the cold night breeze swooped through the cupboard they were hiding in. They knew that Jamie would be back soon and they feared the worst. Jamie had gone to get food, as usual, and they had no way to let him know the Nazis had found them. The girls waited in suspense, hoping for a miracle, just as a pigeon soared through the smashed window, distracting the enraged men for a split second. This gave the children time to clamber into a different cupboard which the soldiers had already checked. The young man bent over, eyeing the four corners of the compartment window, perhaps looking for a hidden door. The soldiers marched out, strutting down the creaking stairs and out of the battered door. The girls listened intently until they were certain that they had been grasped by safety. A sudden yell coming from outside sparked up fear. Their sweaty palms dripped, the salty liquid trickling through the holes in the floorboards...

When Jamie did not return that night, the girls knew what they had to do. They crept through the streets, keeping in the sleek silhouettes of the office buildings, cautiously, quietly looking for the Jewish children's concentration camp...

"That boy's bratty sisters will be after him soon" a menacing voice came wafting out of the receiver. "So if they do; we'll be ready for them," the same murderous voice answered...

Silently, the girls avoided every creaking floorboard, every dusty sheet with crickets living in it, and all the vicious children who had been lucky enough to have survived years and years of torture. They stealthily crept past the guard, who seemed to be deep in slumber. Although Laura was being pushed so far out of her comfort zone, she was driven by love for her brother and fear of being captured. A silhouette emerged from the shadows just across from them. It was about the height of their brother and of the same build too. Anna's heart leapt and she rushed towards him and tried to wrap her arms around the figure she thought was the boy she loved and trusted but her wrists were bound tightly behind her back, her feet pulled from underneath her. As she lay sprawled on the ground, her sister rushed forward to aid her. It was no use; she was gagged and led away to a place she was not familiar with at all...

The girls were thrown down, and although they could not see, they were certain that the room was cramped and many others had been pushed in before them. They heard a lever being pulled and then what came next sounded like air being let out of a tyre. In the agonising hour that followed, the girls had become aware that their brother was sprawled next to them and he was in great pain. Although he was still breathing, he was fading fast. They all took one last breath, and drifted off to a happier place...

Emily S 5GB
(Special thanks to Annabelle.H, for dictation help)
Primrose and the Toadstool

Lightning flashed.
Thunder crashed.
Poor Primrose couldn't find her way to shelter.
Suddenly, an enormous figure frightened the daylights out of her.
Everything became black.
The mysterious creature took Primrose to safety on its back...

The sunlight’s warmth welcomed Primrose to a beautiful, sunny morning.
"Is this Heaven? Am I dead?" she asked herself, loudly yawning.
In the next few seconds, Primrose noticed that there was something familiar about the place she was in.
Then, she finally recognised the memory, which made her grin.
The 'Book of Beliefs' mentioned it and described the same place.
Primrose jumped up and down with grace.
She had discovered the 'Garden of Nature'!
But she didn't know about the mysterious creature...

Flora flourished and fauna greeted Primrose with glee.
The proudest of them all was the queen bee!
Primrose made herself at home, in a comfy, tidy cottage nearby.
In a split second, a poisonous toadstool caught a deadly fly.
It saved her from being injected with a life-threatening liquid.
Primrose thanked the little toadstool and placed it on a lid.
She named it Toby the Toadstool.
At least it wasn't the name of a fool!

That night, Primrose had a terrible dream.
She woke up with a start when she heard a scream.
She saw a sneaky, speedy snail nibbling the plants away.
Her eyes started to water in dismay.
Primrose had to do something to save the flora.
She cried for help to the fauna.
All animals tried to help.
Unfortunately, all it did was make them yelp.
The snail was too fast to catch.
However, it was time for it to meet its match...

With courage, Toby the Toadstool pounced on the slimy, slippery snail.
He grabbed and trapped it in a pail of water without fail.
The snail died and drowned.
Primrose buried it in a mound.

The garden was restored and a celebration was held on behalf of Toby.
The party ended when the sunlight was too dim for the elderly tree, Moby.
Primrose still did not know about the mysterious creature...
But did it really matter?

Annabelle H 5GB
The SECOND of the Musicale Concerts, The CARL VINE Concert, is on tomorrow. All performers should be at school at 5.30pm please NOT BEFORE as there will be no supervision. When you arrive, please go to the room listed above. It is important you remain in these rooms before and after your performance. Should you be in more than one performance, make sure you look at the program posted next week to see which order you are performing in.

Donna Ross

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2014 SHPS MUSICALE night

THE YBK CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN

THURSDAY 04-09-14 and THURSDAY 11-09-14

FROM 5.30pm TO 7.30pm

THE FOLLOWING MENU WILL BE OFFERED FOR THE EVENT:

- **Coffee** $2.50 large $2.80
- **Regular Coffee and homemade muffin** $3.50
- **Homemade muffins** $1.00
- **Homemade cakes** from $2.00
- **Banana bread** $3.00
- **Chicken Kebab in a roll** $3.60
- **Hot Dog** $3.00

DRINKS, ICE CREAM, WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE

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## CONGRATULATIONS

### SIENNA & RENATO

Congratulations to Sienna from Year 5 who has qualified to participate at the NSW State Athletics Championships. Sienna will compete in the 100m and the long jump.

Our other star athlete is Renato who will run in the 100m and 200m as well as the long jump. Great work and congratulations.

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## SPORT NEWS

### JUNIOR B SOCCER SEASON REPORT

The Junior Bs were on fire. We had a fantastic season and we made lots of friends along the way. Our strikers, Emma T, Victoria and Jordan were always trying hard to score goals. Our three defenders, Meredith, Shreya and Jeanette always tried their very best to protect our goal. Lola was our fantastic goalkeeper and when she went away on holidays, Claudia took over.

Thank you to our awesome coach, Jimmy.

By Emma, Jeanette and Jordan.

### SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER SEASON REPORT

This season the Senior Girls Soccer Team had a fantastic time, learning team building and physical ball skills from our fabulous coach, Jimmy. His motivation, encouragement and dedication helped us tackle our way to the top, finishing 2nd in our pool.

Each player had their own unique skills that were beneficial to the team. Isabella was our star player and before she went to Italy, she scored some amazing goals. Bronte was an amazing attacker and ran like the wind when she was determined. Hannah scored a fantastic hat-trick and could tackle the ball off anyone who got in her way. Charlotte was an awesome midfielder who marked players well. Amber was an extraordinary centre-mid and her amazing cheerleading supported the team. Leah was a sensational right-midfielder who tackled the ball off the strongest players. Mia’s defending skills were smashing and she stopped the hardest kicks. Cynthia was a really great defender who could kick the ball across to the other side of the field. Alana was another great defender who helped stop many goals. Lily was a stunning attacker and scored some amazing goals. Emma was a fantastic defender who always supported other players. Jada was a brilliant defender who could also kick the ball across the whole field. Tilly was a good defender who never gave up when tackling a difficult player. Jerene sadly went to New Zealand but her midfield skills were mind blowing. Last but definitely not least was Ellen, our magnificent goalkeeper, who made so many fantastic saves throughout the season helping us win many matches.

All in all, this season was a great achievement and one we will all remember. I know I speak for all the girls when I say thank you to Mrs Hughes for taking us to all our games and to Jimmy for being a sensational coach. The feeling of being part of a team was comforting and an experience we shall never forget.

By Amber B and the girls from the Senior Team.
CHESS NEWS

Congratulations to the Summer Hill Public School Girls Team for winning a play off match on the weekend against three other schools, Abbotsleigh Junior School, Lindfield Public School and Strathfield South Public School.

They will now represent NSW at the Australian Primary School Chess Championships held in Adelaide in December!

The team consisted of:

- Eva G (5SH) - Scored 2/3
- Melissa S (6JG) - Scored 2/3
- Amanda L (6SH) - Scored 2/3
- Shuyi Y (3BB) - Scored 2/2
- Annica S (6SH) - Scored 1/1

AR HARRR - ME - HEARTIES!!

What a great night at the Summer Hill Public School movies. Popcorn, bubbles machines, Gelato, BBQ and hot - chili chocolate.

Thanks so much to the P&C Fundraising team for a super-snug-as-a-bug in our onesies.

Father’s Day Movie Night. Can’t wait for next year!
P&C NEWS

FROM THE P&C PRESIDENT
On behalf of the Summer Hill Public School community, I would like to thank Hilary Shrubb for her years of hard work as the P&C’s very own Communications Manager. Hilary bravely took on this role in March 2011 and has made it her own. She has worked with Poppy in the school office to make sure that the P&C has a presence in the Newsletter, ensuring all our events are publicised and that the outcomes of the P&C meetings are reported. Thank you for everything!!!

And while Hilary is irreplaceable, we do need someone in the role. So if you’re interested, please let the P&C know summerhillpandc@gmail.com

Deborah Samuels

MOVIE NIGHT
Congratulations to the new Movie Night Team: Nina Lord, Lisa Mitchell and David Read who came together at a very busy time of year to create an amazing event. Helped by the fabulous Father’s Day BBQ team of Shelagh Doyle, Gina Newling and Clare Goodfellow, Belinda Lee, Darryl Mills, Anne Senner, Lisa Keneally and Grace Mitchell.

Despite a cold and rainy night, the atmosphere was cosy and everyone had a huge amount of fun. Thank you to Da Vincis for the coffee and Gelato, Bryan and Tara Henderson for the Hot Drinks, and all our volunteers for all their help on the night. Thank you also to Phillip Briggs and Pop Up Cinema for their excellent service on the night, their fast and fabulous poster, slide and ticket production and their donation towards our grounds redevelopment.

Thank you to all our kind contributors for the Father’s Day Raffle:

The Drug Store, Summer Hill
Summer Hill Hotel
Summer Hill Village Quality Meats
Wests Ashfield Leagues Club
Paragon Hotel Katoomba
Anthony the Barber, Summer Hill

All together the event raised over $4000 for the school. Another step closer to raising the funds to improve our children’s playground.

CARD CREATIONS
A huge thank you to Angela Lerantges, all the class parents and volunteers for all their help with the Card Creations week. We are really looking forward to seeing the final product.

SPRING FAIR
Our last big event! Can you help with our raffle prizes?
Calling for donations of any good or services no matter how big or small for prizes for our Raffle and Lucky Envelopes. Please either leave your donation with Eve at the office or contact Helen dewolfies@yahoo.com.au to arrange collection.

Community Corner...if you have donated a good or service for any of our events throughout the year and you would like to be part of Community Corner at the Spring Fair. Please contact Helen dewolfies@yahoo.com.au for details.
WORLD CUP SPORTS EXPO

Great fun was had by all last week as 5/6TK, 6SH, 6BN, 6JG and 6SP participated in the World Cup Sports Expo. Representing their adopted countries, the children thoroughly enjoyed the many events including the biscuit races, peg races, snake races and sack races. After a march past, the various sports events were held and eventually Mexico finished on top of the standings. Viva la Mexico!
SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

ABSENTEE NOTE

(To be returned to classroom teacher first day back after absence)

Students Name: ........................................................................................................... Class: ..................................................

Date/s of absence/s: ...........................................................................................................

Reason for absence: ...........................................................................................................

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Name of Parent/Carer: ........................................................................................................

Signature of Parent/Carer: ..........................................................Date: ........................................

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COMMUNITY NEWS

POINTS TO REMEMBER

Road safety

Key points to remember around schools

Safety around school crossings

Ensure that your child always uses the school crossing as this is the safest point of entry to the school.

Where there is a school crossing supervisor at a school crossing, pedestrians must wait on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road, until the school crossing supervisor indicates that it is safe to cross.

Drivers must not proceed until the crossing supervisor’s hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the crossing supervisor indicates that the motorist may proceed through the crossing. At unsupervised children’s crossings, when “CHILDREN CROSSING” flags are displayed, drivers must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross at the crossing. Drivers must remain stationary until the crossing is completely clear of pedestrians.

Drivers need to know that a children’s crossing is a part-time crossing that operates before and after school hours, and at times when children are using the crossing, such as for excursions or during lunchtimes.

40km/h school zones

The 40km/h school zone slows traffic in the vicinity of the school.

Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8am and 9.30am and from 2.30pm till 4pm. The 40km/h school zone speed limit must be observed even if school children cannot be seen.

A 40km/h school zone operates on all gazetted school days including staff development days (pupil-free days).

While some schools may operate on different term dates, school zone speed limits MUST be adhered to during NSW Government determined school terms.

Gazetted school term dates for 2014 and 2015 are listed below. These can be found atroadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au websites and the websites of the NSW Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards and the NSW Department of Education and Communities.

Dragon’s teeth road markings

To increase motorists’ awareness of 40km/h school zones, triangular dragon’s teeth road markings indicate that the vehicle is entering a school zone.

For information about fines and demerit points – visit rms.nsw.gov.au

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DEADLINE: Please make all submissions for the next issue of the Summer Hill e-News BEFORE TUESDAY 16 September, 12.00PM.

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SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

ABSENTEE NOTE

T20 BLAST CRICKET

FOR GIRLS

Join the party and play T20 Blast cricket for girls aged 8-12. It commences on Friday 10th October, 5.30pm at Petersham Oval.

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