Principal's Message

Thank you
Thank you to the many parents and community members who have made me feel very welcome at SIPS. It is lovely to meet you and get to know you and your children in this wonderful learning community. The staff have also been very supportive and kind – it will be a great pleasure working with all of you to see our students strive for the best possible learning outcomes.

Swimming Carnival
Thank you Ms Coyle for the fantastic organisation of our annual school swimming carnival. We truly appreciate the time and energy that has been put into ensuring the best possible day for our students. Thank you also to the staff for their tremendous support and input on the day. The main focus was on fun and participation and it is always pleasing to see every student having a go and earning those valuable house points.

Congratulations to our newly elected House Captains

Barracuda - Jamie Andrews & Harrison Gray
Marlin - Sophie Dobell & Sunny Carruthers
Wahoo - Lauina Halligan & Riley Campbell

They did a terrific job at the carnival, encouraging their peers and assisting with organisation of house areas.

K-6 Assembly
Our first K-6 assembly for 2013 will take place on Friday of Week 3 – 15th February. All parents and friends are very welcome to attend. This assembly will see the induction of our School Captains and Prefects. The Student Representative Council will call for nominations for each class in Week 4 and councillors will be recognised at our Week 5 assembly. We hope to see a much more active and creative SRC during 2013. Thank you to Ms Bower for taking on the role of co-ordinator.

Class Meetings
Parents and carers are cordially invited to attend the class meetings scheduled for Week 4. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet with your child’s teacher and find out the organisation for the coming year. Routines, procedures and expectations for students are explained to ensure we are working together to see our students achieve their best. Please contact the class teacher if you are unable to attend.

Eels Visit
Thank you Mr Neich for organising the special visit by the Parramatta Eels players last Thursday. The students were excited about seeing “real” NRL footballers and also with the delivery of a very important Anti Bullying message.

School Photos
School photos will be taken on Wednesday 6th March, 2013. Students are asked to wear their full summer uniform for class photos. Order envelopes will be sent home closer to the date. Please ensure you enclose payment and return to school before the date.

Lorraine Jenkinson - Principal

Information Sessions – Week 4

Kindergarten will be held on Tuesday 19th February in KD room at 3.15pm – 3.45pm.

Stage 1 – ( Yr 1 & 2) will be held on Tuesday 19th February in ZH room at 3.45pm – 4.15pm.
Dates to Remember

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School Swimming Carnival

Students bring roof down at Sussex Inlet Aquatic Centre....

The atmosphere at our swimming carnival on Thursday was electrifying and at times, deafening. House Captains led their houses in cheering on their peers, school swimming records came splashing down and the standout feature of the day was the high level of participation in events by our students. Our school community excelled yet again, it was a wonderful sporting event marked by sportsmanship, skill and fitness, winning (everyone who participated in some way), energy, teamwork and yes, loud cheering.

Age champions and the winning sporting house will be announced following our Student Induction Assembly on Friday. The District team will be published in next week’s newsletter.

School records broken on the Day:

- Hollie Miles - 11ys 50m Freestyle, 11yrs Backstroke, Butterfly and Breast Stroke
- Nathan Harris - Boys 100m Freestyle
- Joshua Banwell - Junior boys Breast Stroke

Thank you to Susan Wright and the staff at the Sussex Inlet Aquatic centre for their support in the running of our school swimming carnival. Also, to our parents who filled the role of timekeepers, place judges and data entry. A special acknowledgement to Mrs Miles, who performed the demanding job of starter.

Permission Notes

Please return all notes direct to the office:

- Permission Note
- Voluntary School Contribution

Student Detail Forms (please return even if there are no changes). If your child has any medical changes please note underneath the doctors section on the form.

Library Bags

Please remember to bring your Library Bags so you can borrow books.

Library days are as follows: Tuesday – K/1M, KD, 4/5N & 3/4N
Wednesday – 6R, 5C, 2H and 1G

Court Notices

Any changes relating to custody, AVO’s etc. please bring any documentation to the office so we can maintain up-to-date records.

Scripture Note

A note must be sent into your child’s class teacher if you require them to be withdrawn from scripture lessons.

Year 7 for 2014 at Vincentia High School

An invitation to prospective students and parents for the class of 2014. Tuesday 26th February 6.00pm – 7.00pm

The move to high school is a big change for Year 6 students. High School is bigger, there are more students, everybody moves around the school more, there are more subjects and they will have more teachers. Moving to High School can be a worrying time...

We are opening the school on Tuesday February 26th for families considering enrolment at Vincentia for 2014. There will be a short meeting to introduce the school and some of the key people for 2014 and to outline the transition activities over the year. This will be followed by a tour of the school to show case the activities and experiences that students will have at high school.

Come along and find out what we can do for you.

P&C News

Uniforms

- Sports shirts - unfortunately our supplier has been out of stock of some sizes which has caused our whole order to be held up. Orders will be filled as soon as stock arrives. Apologies to everyone who is waiting.
- Polo Shirts - Part of our order for polo shirts has arrived and those have been sent home today. Some orders may be only part filled, again we apologise and as soon as more shirts arrive orders will be completed.
- Girls Culottes - we are attempting to source more girls culottes, if anyone is interested in ordering new ones please let us know as this helps with order numbers.

Canteen

You will notice the attached note for canteen helpers. Please consider volunteering even if you can only do it once per term, as this all helps. As bell times have now been changed, canteen has now been reopened at recess.

Next Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be on Monday the 18th of February at 7pm at the school. This is the best opportunity for you as a parent to get informed about your child's education, meet the new principal, find out what's happening this term and provide feedback. Everyone is welcome to attend and there are no commitments or obligations.

The AGM will be held at the March meeting so anyone wishing to take up a position on the P&C will need to attend the February meeting to become a member.

Tracey Solari - Publicity Officer

Bookclub

Book club has been sent home today. Please return your orders on Thursday by 9.00am. Cheques should be made payable to 'Sussex Inlet P. & C. Association'.

Credit Card transactions – you must phone Scholastic and pay with your credit card over the phone and they will give you a number which should be recorded on your child’s order form.

As always - make sure all money is securely sealed in an envelope marked with the student’s name and class.

Bronwyn Hedger
Jervis Bay Netball Club Registration
Saturday 16th February 2013
Held at Vincentia High School
8-9 yrs from 9.30am
10/11/12 yrs from 10.00am
13/14 yrs from 11.00am
15/16 yrs & seniors from 11.45am

Registration Costs
8-10 yrs $95
11-17yrs $115
18yrs + $165
Info contact Sue Malley 44418548