Teacher and Parent /Carer Meetings Completed
Thank you for your valued commitment to meet your child’s teacher as part of the Educational Planning meeting process. We were pleased with the overall attendance and look forward to any feedback comments, that you might have on how we can improve this process. Teaching staff will continue to offer meeting opportunities for those parents that were not able to attend. I urge you to attend these important teacher/parent meetings as the information gained from these meetings will be used to develop and implement your child’s Individual Education or Transition Programs for 2014. Students’ educational programs will be developed from the Australian National Curriculum Utilising Board of Studies Key Learning Areas (KLAs). These educational programs will be reviewed at the beginning of Term 3 and you will have the opportunity to meet with the teachers as part of this review.

Great Success at the Combined Metropolitan Swimming Carnival
Our school was proudly represented by a number of students at the Metropolitan Combined Swimming Carnival for students with special needs at Cabarita pool on Wednesday 19th March, our school was a part of 20 other schools and over 200 students, participating in this special event. Full details of the carnival are provided by Mrs Gina Wheeler (Sports Co-ordinator) in this edition of the newsletter. I would like to congratulate our students on their participation, achievements and behaviour. Many thanks for the following staff, who transported, supervised and supported our students – David Katz, Gina Wheeler, Kim Wilkinson, Sharon Rutherford, Maryanne Khulmann and Kelly Wheeler. I particularly want to acknowledge the great work undertaken by our Swimming Instructor (Mrs Sharon Rutherford) over the years, which has given our students the opportunity to compete at a metropolitan level. I am very proud of our students’ efforts which is a great achievement for them and our school.

Congratulations to our Work Experience Crew
I would like to congratulate Andie Midson, Nathan and Tyson Levi (year 11 & 12 students) on starting a work experience program every Tuesday morning at Afford Industries. Despite experiencing the initial shock of “what, I have to work” the students have settled in and are progressing well, which is a great preparation for their post school program.

Keeping Us Informed
I know I have mentioned this a few weeks ago but it is vital that you return your child’s contact information, including the emergency contact. Equally important is that you inform the school immediately if your address and contact information changes in the future. Please be informed that if your child uses special transport, it is a requirement of student transport to be given 5 DAYS OF NOTICE in regard to change of address. A letter stating the reasons as to why you cannot transport your child should also be included to ensure your child remains on transport.

Mr Sargon Makko
Principal
Combined Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday the Les Powell Swimming Team competed against 18 other schools in the Combined Metropolitan Carnival. This year we entered 8 students in 25 metre races and many others in novelty events with great results. The students were very proud of their achievements and the sense of confidence which the races gave them. Special mention needs to be given to Lisa Le Nguyen who blitzed every race she entered, winning 4 first ribbons. Other great results include Christian Ciliberto, Jerhome Escubio, Laura Le and My An Ho. Congratulations also to Tyson, Brendon, Mina, Joey and Said for their participation and great team spirit.

Gina Wheeler (Sports Coordinator)

Above: Tyson,
Lisa (yellow cap),
Christian (blue cap)
Laura (pink goggles)

Left: Les Powell Swimming Team
HIGH SCHOOL 1H AND 2LA EXCURSION

On Friday 7th March all High School classes went on an excursion to the beach. 1H and 2LA went to Austinmer Beach. It was a picture perfect day with clear blue skies. Thank you to John for being a great bus driver!!

Louise, Audrey and Kerri.

We saw lots of seagulls.

We had a picnic under the trees.

The beach was superb!
Class 10J

Class 10J comprises of five girls (Lisa, Lynn, Sonia, Mina and My An) and two boys (Marijann and Damian). Students are settling in well to new class routine and enjoy all activities to their maximum potential. Their level of enjoyment can be viewed in these snapshots.

It was my pleasure to meet you and talk to you during Individual Education Plan (IEP) meetings. Thanks a lot for your time, effort and input. We look forward to see you all during our upcoming celebrations.

With regards
Jyoutsna and Raquel
PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

A parent information session has been arranged with a guest speaker from NORTHCOTT Disability Services. This session will have information available to you about Out of School Hours/Vacation Care, Respite services and other programs that may be suitable for your child. An invitation has been sent home. If you are interested please come along on Thurs 27th Mar at 10am.

PARENT/CARER’S DAY OUT

CONVICTS, CASTLES & LUNCH CRUISE

Come sail with me and bring a friend. Enjoy a harbour cruise, personal guided tour of Goat Island and get up close and personal with Sydney’s colourful convict past. As well as an entertaining and fascinating guided convict history tour, you will enjoy a delicious lunch (soft drinks/orange juice included) and a relaxing cruise around the harbour on-board a

WHEN: Thursday 10th April, 2014
DEPARTING SCHOOL: 9:00 am SHARP (You need to be at school by 8:45am)
ARRIVE BACK AT SCHOOL: 2:30 pm
COST TO YOU: $5.00 (non refundable)

The cruise leaves Sydney Harbour at 10:15am. We must leave on time, so if you are running late – we can’t wait!

PLEASE NOTE:
On the day, please wear comfortable flat walking shoes for the Goat Island Tour. Please also bring a jacket, hat and sunscreen. The tour will be conducted in all weather, so if it looks like rain, please bring wet weather gear. Children under 4 permitted free.
Send $5.00 to secure your seat to Denise as soon as possible. Final numbers must be in by 26th March at the very latest.

**RSVP IS DUE 26TH MAR 2014**
UNIFORM SHOP

On the 19th February, We had a sale of brand new, left-over winter stock for the sale price of $5.00. There is still a variety of track suit pants and fleecy tops left in sizes 12 and under, so if you’re thinking of winter uniforms, please consider purchasing these before ordering.

Don’t forget, if you need any new uniforms, you can simply complete a uniform order and send it back to school. I will ring you when the order is ready to be collected and paid for.

School Hats have been ordered, once they arrive you will be notified of cost.

New service established in the Mt. Pritchard area. If you are experiencing difficulty getting your son’s hair cut, try a new service where the barber comes to you. Snippity Do-Da provides services for the Liverpool/Fairfield area and also caters for special needs.

Sunday Children Fun Program

Learn About:
Buddhist Stories on ethics and loving kindness, Games, Chinese culture, Tea Chan, Calligraphy, Arts & Crafts, and much more!
Chinese language in daily life

REGISTER NOW!!

Venue: Nan Tien Temple
Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Schedule: 2:00 – 2:30 Buddhist Chatting & Meditation
2:30 – 3:10 Chinese Language
3:10 – 3:30 Activities & Refreshment
3:30 – 4:00 Drum/ Drama

AGES 6-12
Les Powell School Uniforms

If you would like to purchase any uniforms, please complete and return the order form and return to Les Powell School with payment.

Please contact Denise or Sharon if you require any information.

PLEASE CHOOSE THE SIZE CAREFULLY, AS WE ARE UNABLE TO EXCHANGE OR REFUND ANY ITEMS ORDERED.

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EASTER RAFFLE

With Easter fast approaching our Fundraising Committee have decided to have an Easter raffle. Our staff will be bringing in Easter eggs and it would be most appreciated if you could also assist by donating some Easter Eggs to help fill the baskets. Tickets will be sent home soon and the raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 9th April.

Thanking you,
Wheels Committee