

From The Principal

Our School Bell Make Over

I don't know if you have had a good look at our school bell lately. If you have, you will have noticed it has been transformed from a dull, rather sad looking school bell doing what it must do routinely every school day, to a bright, shiny, perky bell looking forward to ringing sound and clear, announcing school activities.

"Who or what has been responsible for this remarkable bell transformation?" you may ask. Well it is Fergus Thomson, a Year 6 student whose job is to ring that bell routinely every day. Not long into his new job he decided it would be so much more pleasant to ring a happy rather than a sad bell. So he started polishing using some brasso and a good deal of elbow grease.

With the help of his parents, Felicity and Ian Thomson, the bell and its pulling chain were restored to their original glory.



Thank you to the Thomson family for giving our school bell some TLC.

Ian Thomson has also begun conserving some of our amazing collection of old furniture. He recently polished and touched up some scratches on our well-used pew in our reception area.

This story demonstrates, yet again, what a wonderful and dedicated school community we have.

ANZAC Assembly

ANZAC Day will be commemorated at Annandale Public School with a special assembly on the last day of Term 1, Friday 11 April at 11.30. This assembly is always beautifully presented by our senior students and includes the laying of some flowers by our flag or honour board. Sprigs of rosemary are also handed out to each child at the end of the assembly.

We would very much appreciate donations of flowers and rosemary for this commemoration. If you are able to help us with this could you please drop them off at school on the morning of the assembly or send them along with your child.



Newsletter by E-mail

At APS we like to think of ourselves as an environmentally friendly community. This includes an endeavour to save paper usage. We print close to 300 fortnightly Newsletters of 2 –3 pages. We have the means to reduce this paper usage by sending you our fortnightly newsletter by E-mail. If you are interested in receiving the Newsletter by E-mail please indicate so below with your E-mail address and return to your child's teacher by the end of this Term.

Yes I would like to have the Newsletter sent to me by E-mail

Name _____

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New Principal

Our new Principal, Craig Nielsen, will be visiting Annandale P S on Friday, 4 April when I will be introducing him to staff and students and "showing him the ropes".

I would like to take the opportunity here to announce that I have been invited to relieve as Principal of Darlinghurst Public School which I have accepted.

Ellie Moore (Acting Principal)

School Diary

Tues 8 Apr. P&C Meeting
Fri. 11 Apr. End of Term 1
Mon 28 Apr. School Development Day
Tues 29 Apr. Term 2 commences
Life Education
Frid. 2 May Walk Safely to School Day
Thurs. 8 May Opera House Rehearsal
Tues. 13 May National Assessment Test Y3&5
Wed. 14 May National Assessment Test Y3&5
Thurs.15 May National Assessment Test Y3&5

Beep Test

The Beep Test is a multi-stage fitness test which involves running continuously between two points that are 20m apart.

The following students are the Stage Champions:

Stage One	-	Sam O'Loughlin
Stage Two	-	Sam Hochuli
Stage Three	-	Alex Fowden

Junior Book Cubs invite you on an adventure!

Come and join us as we travel the seven seas, climb rugged mountains, swing from a tree in the jungle and chase the bad guys! (well sort of!)

Indiana Jones will have nothing on us!
Monday, 21 April 2008. For 7-12 year olds.
Leichhardt Library Meeting Room at 2.00pm.
Bookings essential: 9367 9222

Music News

Please note that there will be no Senior Band this Thursday, 03 April 2008, as I will be attending a course. All rehearsals will be as normal next week.

Narelle Derwent - Music Coordinator



Visit by Italian Education Attaché to 4/3D



Easter Bonnet Making with Buddy



Easter Hat Parade



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Thankyou very much to Terry and her team for providing an ongoing fund for the upkeep of our Learning Garden!

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