

From The Principal Values Education

At Annandale PS we have a strong commitment to teaching our students core values that represent the aspirations and beliefs of the Australian community as a whole, including its concern for equity, excellence and the promotion of a caring, civil and just society.

We teach our children to treat each other with respect and tolerance.

If you have a concern about a child's behaviour, please speak to one of the teachers rather than approaching the child in the playground.

Annandale Public Cleans Up

On Friday 29th February students from Annandale Public joined in with schools from all over Australia to clean up their school grounds in participation with the Clean Up Australia campaign. Six bags of rubbish were collected, making the target for 2009 to be zero bags of rubbish. Thanks Annandale Public and thanks Clean Up Australia!



A special thanks to Imogen Kershaw for organising the day.

Annandale Kindies Grow and Make Their Own Pumpkin Pies.

After a successful harvest of pumpkins and many other yummy vegetables from the Annandale Public School Learning Garden, 5 year old Sam O. and his Kindergarten classmates cooked up a delicious storm of Pumpkin Pies and Pumpkin Pasta with dad, Warwick and mum, Marie Clair food editor Michelle Cranston. The food got full marks for taste from students AND teachers - Yum! One student remarked that "It was one of his best days ever and it was like being in heaven". The school learning garden was established in early 2007 and has since been a successful focal point for deep learning about science, maths, literacy, art and social responsibility.



School Diary

Tues. 11 Mar. District Swimming Carnival
Thur. 13 Mar. Y6 Selective High School Testing
Tues. 18 Mar. P&C Annual General Meeting
Thur. 20 Mar. YP-2 Easter Hat Parade
Fri. 21 Mar. Good Friday
Mon. 24 Mar. Easter Monday
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

Basketball

Basketball for Yrs K-1 is coming to a close at the end of this week. The children have learned great ball handling skills from Wayne Jennings.



Parenting Programs Across Sydney Region - Families NSW Website

In order to assist both parents and professionals to access information about Parenting Programs, the Families NSW South East Sydney Parenting Co-ordination Project and the Families NSW Inner West Strengthening Families - Resourcing Parents Project have collaborated on a website www.resourcingparents.com

The website contains:

- A calendar of parenting programs running in South East Sydney and the Inner West
- Application forms for Seeding Grants to run parenting programs, in the Inner West and in South East Sydney
- Resources and links about parenting for parents and professionals
- Testimonials from parents who have attended parenting programs

South East Sydney and Inner West encompasses the whole of Sydney Region.

Support Reading Program

A big thank you to all of the wonderful people that have volunteered to help in the 1:1 Support Reading Program.

We have scheduled a meeting for:

Thursday, 06 March

9.30am in Assembly Hall

when we will endeavour to sort out logistics and start up procedures.

Hope that you can come.

Sally Corbett

Reading Tutoring

Reading tuition for 5 to 8 year olds by an experienced literacy teacher.

I am a qualified Reading Recovery teacher with many years experience with young children. I can come to your house or a convenient local place (e.g. library).

Your child will be comprehensively assessed to determine areas of strengths and weaknesses and an individual programme designed. Progress is guaranteed!

Lessons last for half an hour to three-quarters of an hour and cost \$50 each.

Phone (home) 9550 5471

Melissa Cox

Music News

Senior Band and Training Band are off to a great start. Contracts and Instrumental Programme Guidelines are being sent home this week. Parents, please read this carefully and discuss with your child as learning an instrument is a big commitment by families and children. Remember, if your child is learning an instrument in the Programme they are required to attend Senior or Training Band.

Recorder Consort

Contracts and Opera House information has also been sent out. When these are returned, children are issued with a CD to play along with. All children need to be practising their Opera House Music.

Parents, please note that tickets for the Opera House Performance go on sale on **Friday, 09 May**. Put this date in your diary as tickets sell out very quickly.

Narelle Derwent - Music Coordinator

Choir

Both Senior and Junior Choir are very enthusiastic groups. We look forward to performing our songs soon.

Jo Watson - Choir Coordinator

Sunnies for Sight Day

Thank you to all those students who donated to the Sunnies for Sight Day. The SRC raised \$146.50. Well done!

