



From The Principal

Dear Annandale Community

Congratulations to all students who represented our school at the PSSA Balmain District Athletics Carnival. Our students' dedication at training sessions, commitment and outstanding behaviour at the carnival is to be commended. Thank you to Mrs Ridings and Mr Colmer for supporting our athletes at the carnival and school families who attended these events.

Please remind any families seeking enrolment at Annandale Public School next year that our transition and orientation programs for Kindergarten 2010 will be commencing in early Term 4. Please complete an enrolment form which is available from Mrs Goode, Mrs Patterson, Mrs Bowling or Ms Severino in the office.

A warm welcome is extended from the Annandale School community to our two wonderful, hard-working 'prac students' we have in our school this term. Over the next few weeks, Ms Nikki Kightley (KG) and Ms Gemma Walker (2M) will continue to work with students and school staff.

This week's school assembly will be lead by the students of 2M and 2L and feature a musical item by our school's training band.

Don't forget the Annandale P&C's **Spring Fling** held on Saturday, 19th September in our school hall. This will be a wonderful 'school community' evening and I urge as many parents, carers and friends of the school to come and enjoy a great night. Tickets are \$35 per person and can be purchased from the school office. This is an APS P&C event.

I look forward to all students and staff participating in this week's "Book Safari" - Book Week parade. School families are invited to attend the parade and enjoy a morning tea prepared by 5D families. This outstanding event

will take place on Thursday, 27th August at 10.30am on the basketball court. Thank you to Ms Ferres and 5D families for organising this whole school event.

This week's newsletter is printed on yellow paper as a reminder we are selling daffodils for \$8 per bunch on Thursday 27th August in support of The Cancer Foundation Daffodil Day. Thanks to Mrs Ridings for organising our daffodils.

Good luck to "Unauthorized" - our Year 6 band who have been selected to sing the AC/DC song 'High Voltage' at the Hills Centre of Performing Arts, this Thursday night as part of the NSW Department of Education – Primary Proms Concert series. Good luck Josh, Benson, Maxi and Dylan from everyone at Annandale.

Finally, congratulations to Steve and his team from Steve Garland Landscapes. They were recently recipients of the "2009 Landscape & Design Award" for their design and pro bono work in creating our school's Learning Garden. Congratulations Steve!

Public Education inspires every young person to achieve their best.

Craig Nielsen

Dates to Remember

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| 28.9.09 | P & C Hot Food Day |
| 1.9.09 | Primary Touch Gala Day |
| 4.9.09 | P & C Father Day Stall and Afternoon Tea |
| 8.9.09 | P & C First Aid Course |
| 18.9.09 | (Saturday) P & C Spring Fling |

BOOK SAFARI-BOOK PARADE THURSDAY 27th AUGUST

Remember to join us for Book Week Celebrations on Thursday. There will be coffee and cake at **The APS Cafe** from 9:30am until 12:00pm. Shearer's Bookshop will be running a Book Fair; you are welcome to purchase books for your child or donate a book to the library on their behalf. The Book Parade will commence at 10:30am on the Basketball Court.

If you can't attend on the day, don't forget to send some money along with your child for a cake and/or a book.

I look forward to seeing you all on the day.

Susie Ferres

Reading Parents

Thank you to all those parents who are able to spend part of their week listening to children read. This regular 'one on one' reading practise for the children is invaluable. It greatly helps their fluency and reading comprehension. We have children across the school who benefit from this time.

We are still looking for more parent volunteers. If you have even 1 hour a week that you could spare, please contact Mrs Corbett by leaving at the office:

1. Your contact details including email address, mobile and contact phone numbers
2. Times you would be available for helping with reading

Thank you for your continued support.



Narelle Derwent

Learning Support
Team Leader

Sally Corbett
STLA Teacher

Reminders to school families



The first item was raised as a concern about dogs coming on to the school grounds. We are advised that it is a strict DET and local council policy that no dogs are allowed on the school grounds. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure their dogs are not left unattended or in a position whereby children are potentially endangered. No dogs are allowed to be on the school site unless permission is sought and granted.

This includes drop off and pick up times. There is more information on the council website <http://www.leichhardt.nsw.gov.au/Dogs.html> for those interested. I appreciate everyone's support in this matter.

The second item is the use of the teacher's drive-way off Trafalgar Street by parents. To facilitate easier access to Before and After School Care, the driveway can be used by parents / carers before 8:30am or after 4:00pm. We do ask for the safety of all children that families do not use the driveway after 8:30am or before 4:00pm

Kids First Aid Session Tuesday 8 September Annandale Public School Hall

Cost: \$55 per person incl. GST and take home material.

(Note: \$5 per person will be donated back to the school's Learning Garden)

Would you know what to do if a child is choking, burnt or fitting?

Kids First Aid is a program for parents and carers' of children 0-16Yrs.

The evening will be presented as a fun and informative 3 hour session by front line medical professionals who will identify 10 common emergency situations involving children and will provide the most relevant and up-to-date first aid responses, including: poisoning, fits and fevers, CPR, asthma, allergic reactions and burns.



To book—forms will be available from the office
Or call Leanne Eastway
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