**WALK A THON**

On Monday we are having the P&C walkathon. This is for all students. It will begin at 9.30 and should be finished by 11.30. Please make sure your child wears sports shoes to school on Monday.

Funds raised will go towards installing more air conditioning in our classrooms.

**STEWART HOUSE**

Stewart House is an amazing place to which we are able to send some of our students each year. They always have a great time.

It is funded by teacher contributions and student fundraising. One form of fundraising is the clothing collection. Bags have been sent home already. Please place clean, wearable clothes in them and return them to school by Wednesday 20 March.

Each year 1,800 public school children go to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, children are provided with optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle.

Children in the care of Stewart House attend a specific purpose school onsite for 8 days of their 12-day stay. The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school. All other costs associated with the children’s stay are met from charitable donations.

Stewart House needs your support to ensure we can continue to provide important services to children.

**HEAD LICE**

We have an outbreak of head lice at the school in some classes. Please be vigilant in checking your child’s hair and treating it if you find any signs of lice or eggs.

Information can be found on the NSW Health website below


Cheryl Glover
Principal
WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO GET TO SCHOOL ON TIME?

- To be part of the morning greeting
- To know what’s happening during the day
- To start lessons on time and to understand what to do in class

Arriving to school on time allows children to be part of the daily school routines.

The bell rings at 8.55am at our school. Please ensure your children are in the playground before the bell rings.

PSSA WEEK 7

PSSA Sport will be held at Clemton Park this week.
The walkathon is NEXT WEEK on **Monday March 18**. So far the weather is predicted to be fine and 24 degrees.

**REMEMBER** *All students who raise above $10 will receive a prize.*

The more money each student raises the more prizes they will be entitled to. Please support your child and encourage them in participation and getting sponsors from family and friends.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

As soon as the walkathon is over please collect your sponsored amounts and return all monies as soon as possible so the prizes can be given out.

The next P&C meeting is on Wednesday March 27 @ 7pm in the staffroom. If you are unable to make any of these meetings the minutes are always on the websites under the P &C tab. If you would like anything raised please email traceydillon@optusnet.com.au
We will be conducting a Walk-a-thon as a major fundraiser for this term so we do ask for your support. The event will be held on 18 March 2013. Family support is most appreciated.

Funds raised will go towards providing air conditioners for every classrooms.

Students have received a sponsorship form with a selection of over 75 prizes to choose from such as Barbie, Nerf, Hot Wheels, Razor, Pillow Pets and much, much, more.

We ask you to seek donations on a $2 or $4 or $5 or $10 per sponsor. Students who raise a minimum $10 will be entitled to choose a prize of their choice from the prize categories listed. You will also receive a family discount voucher for Baskin Robbins, Stefan Salon and Pixie Foto valued at $140.

Also on offer is a 2GB MP3 player for the highest fundraising student and a free surprise party for the highest fundraising class. Each student will also receive a Berri Quelch frozen juice stick on the day of the event.

**WIN AN IPAD** - each student has the chance to win an iPad. At the end of each term a winner will be selected. If one of our students wins the prize, our school will also win two (2) iPads. So don’t forget to enter. For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view the back page of the sponsorship form or visit [www.myschoolathon.com.au](http://www.myschoolathon.com.au)

Once the fundraiser is complete, please cut out the ‘how to claim your prize section’ on the sponsorship form and return along with your monies to the school office on or before the 12 April. Please be sure to fill out your prize request. The individual prizes will be delivered shortly after.

Happy fundraising, and we look forward to seeing you at our walk –a-thon to cheer on the students.

Julianne Spillane
Vice President
P&C Association
Swimming News!

Congratulations to Jordan P. of 5/6W for making it into regional swimming.

Stewart House donations are due back no later than Wednesday 20th March 2013.
Dear Parents & Carers,

Book Club magazines are being distributed to students in Kindergarten to 6 this week (Tuesday or Wednesday). Orders are due back by Friday 15 March 2013.

Once again, students have the opportunity to purchase great books, software, DVD’s etc on a variety of themes for great prices! Once you and your child have had a look at the magazine and have decided that you would like to purchase resources follow the following steps.

1. **Place your order form identifying what you would like to order, along with correct money in a clearly labelled envelope with your child’s name & class on the front office.**

2. **Place the envelope in the box clearly labelled “Book Club Orders”**.

3. **A parent helper will collect your money and order form and then process your request.**

4. **A few weeks later you will receive your order to your classroom.**

When you order from Book Club you are also helping our school ‘McCallums Hill Public School’ in receiving extra resources.

Remember please make cheques payable to: **Scholastics Australia**.

Please note that no late orders will be accepted.

Thanking you all for your support.
About the Schoolkids Bonus

What is the Schoolkids Bonus?

The Schoolkids Bonus is a payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies.

When does the Schoolkids Bonus start?

The Schoolkids Bonus starts from January 2013.

Who is eligible?

You could receive the Schoolkids Bonus if you have a child in primary or secondary school, or you are a primary or secondary student, and you receive one of the following payments:

- Family Tax Benefit Part A
- Youth Allowance
- Disability Support Pension
- ABSTUDY Living Allowance
- Carer Payment
- Parenting Payment
- Special Benefit
- Education allowances under the Veterans’ Children Education Scheme and Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act Education and Training Scheme.

Children in preschool are not eligible.

How much will I receive?

If you are eligible, you will receive:

- $410 for each child in primary school (paid in two instalments of $205)
- $820 for each child in secondary school (paid in two instalments of $410).

If you share the care of your children and receive a percentage of Family Tax Benefit Part A or an education allowance, you will receive the same percentage of the Schoolkids Bonus.
When will I receive it?

Payments are made in January and July every year. You must be receiving one of the eligible payments on 1 January to be eligible for the January payment. Similarly, you must be receiving one of the eligible payments on 30 June to receive the July payment.

If you claim Family Tax Benefit Part A as a lump sum at the end of the financial year, you will receive the Schoolkids Bonus then.

What do I need to do to get it?

It's easy. You don't have to fill out any forms, keep receipts, or claim the Schoolkids Bonus in your tax return.

You just need to let Centrelink know:

- when you or your child starts primary school to start receiving the payment and
- when you or your child move from primary to secondary school to start receiving the secondary school amount.
- when you or your child finishes secondary school to receive the final secondary school payment.

How will I be paid?

If you're eligible, the Schoolkids Bonus will be automatically paid into your nominated bank account in January and July.

Has the Schoolkids Bonus replaced the Education Tax Refund?

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund, which means you no longer need to keep receipts and claim it through your tax return.

Is the Schoolkids Bonus less than the Education Tax Refund?

No – the Schoolkids Bonus is $410 a year for each primary student and $820 for each secondary student compared to a maximum of $397 for a primary student and $794 for a secondary student under the previous Education Tax Refund. In addition, most families were not claiming their full entitlement under the Education Tax Refund because they didn't have the receipts when they did their tax returns or forgot to claim the payment. Schoolkids Bonus is paid automatically and no receipts are required.

Where can I go for more information?

To learn more about the Schoolkids Bonus, visit

australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus
Morris Iemma Indoor Sports Centre
Fun Day

Celebrating our 2nd Birthday!

When: Saturday 23rd March 2013
Where: Morris Iemma Indoor Sports Centre
Time: 12:00 - 4:00pm
S5 donation per family
All proceeds going towards Fee Assistance, providing for families in need.

Fun Activities Include:
- Jumping Castles,
- Inflatable Obstacle Course,
- Face painting,
- Zumba & Fitness demonstrations,
- Visit by Philbert the Frog
- BBQ + lots more!

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Call us on 02 9153 0441 to RSVP your family!

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Sydney Local Health District Oral Health Services

Sydney Dental Hospital provides free dental care to all children under 18 years of age (including preschool children) and have clinics located at Marrickville, Canterbury, Croydon and Concord.

Their service can be accessed by calling 9293 3333. Go to the Sydney Dental Hospital website to find out more

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