McCallums Hill Public School

P&C Meeting 27 March 2013

Principal's Report

- We have a three year school plan. It has been updated and is tabled.
- The sensory playground has been installed and we will be holding an official opening.
- The classroom teacher vacancy has been filled by merit selection. The successful applicant is Danii Underwood. Danii just got married and will come to our school as Danii Riley. She will start here at the beginning of Term 2. Danii will be teaching the current 3/4A.
- Ms Allsopp will finish up at the end of this term.
- We will be having planning days for all teachers during Week 11. Teachers will forego their RFF to be able to have this time to plan for Term 2.
- The 2012 Annual School Report is due to be uploaded tomorrow. It will be able to be found on the school website.
- We had a new server installed two weeks ago. The internet should be faster now. We are still getting used to the new ways of doing things. It was a smooth transition due to our recent new computers.
- We’re looking into offering EFTPOS as a way of paying for school events, excursions, etc. Payments, by cash or EFTPOS, will be made at the office and not go to the class teacher. I’ll bring you more information as we learn more about it.
- The DEC is undergoing a re-alignment. Under the new structure we will no longer be a school in the Inner West network of Sydney Region. We will be in the Canterbury group. There will no longer be regions as from the end of this year.
- ACARA has been developing an Australian curriculum for all students in the country. The NSW Board of Studies has taken the first four curriculum documents and produced new syllabus documents for NSW students in English, Mathematics, Science & Technology and History. We need to become familiar with each of these new syllabus documents and fully implement the new English syllabus next year. An additional School Development Day has been given to all NSW public school teachers at the beginning of Term 2 to assist in getting ready to implement the new syllabuses. Brochures “NSW Syllabuses Parents’ Guide” are here for distribution.
Upcoming events:

- 28 March  Easter Hat Parade
- 3 April  K-2 performance at the Seymour Centre
- 4 April  School photos
- 11 April  P&C movie night
- 12 April  Whole school assembly (and last day of term)
- 29 April  School Development Day
- 30 April  School Development Day
- 1 May  Students first day back Term 2
  ANZAC Day school service
- 8 May  Dancesport Challenge begins
- 14-16 May  NAPLAN
- 20 May  Cross Country carnival

C. Glover
Principal