Dear Parents and Carers,

Our best wishes go with our Stage 2 and Stage 3 Dance Groups who are performing tomorrow, Wednesday in the Sydney North Dance Festival at 5.00pm and again at 7.30pm on Friday evening at the Glen Street Theatre.

**K – 2 SPORTS DAY**

K – 2 children are looking forward to their Sports Day to be held on Thursday this week 20 June. Please note that the Opening Ceremony will be taking place in the school hall. Parents and carers are requested to assemble on the hall COLA for the opening at 11.30am. It would be appreciated if you could bring a gold coin donation to raise money for the purchase of another tree to beautify our K – 2 school site environment.

**MUSICAL EVENING – CELEBRATION OF THE PERFORMING ARTS**

Congratulations to all children who performed at our Musical Evening held at Pennant Hills HS last Wednesday evening. I know that the audience was very impressed with the talent displayed. Once again, I would like to thank Ms Stevens who coordinated the evening, teaching staff for their assistance and support for the day rehearsal and the evening performance and administrative staff for their assistance with program printing and ticket allocation.

Apart from our very talented children’s efforts, the evening could not have taken place without the following people. Our thanks and appreciation go to:

- Dance teachers Jacqui Lalor and Arnold Sychampanakhone;
- Dance Coordinators Jeanette Cox, Melissa Coventry, Di Maddison and Simone Partridge;
- Band Conductors Mr Peter OAM and Ms Catherine;
- String Conductor Naira;
- Band Coordinator Michele;
- String Coordinator and program producer Dayan;
- Choir conductors Julie Anne Stevens, Anne McLaren and Ingrid Stubis; and
- Accompanists Janet, Jeanne and Emma.

We are also very grateful to Pennant Hills High School who very kindly allowed us to use their hall and some of their musical instruments. Special thanks to their General Assistant, Mark, who set up the hall and high school students Brad, Byron,
Christian and Lachlan who worked hard throughout the day rehearsal and evening performance to provide us with light, sound and smoke.

ANTICIPATED ENROLMENTS FOR 2014
In early August, I am required to submit our anticipated enrolment numbers for 2014 to the Department of Education and Communities. To assist in this process, it would be very much appreciated if you could inform me in writing as soon as possible if you know that your current Kindergarten to Year 5 child will NOT be returning to Pennant Hills Public School next year.

In addition, if you have a child starting Kindergarten here next year and you have not yet completed and submitted an enrolment application form, please do so as soon as possible. Please note that it is also necessary to bring your child’s Birth Certificate or identity documents, copies of any family law or other relevant court orders, your child’s immunisation history statement and proof of residence.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS
Next Monday 24 June, students will be taking home their Semester 1 report.
I encourage you to read through the report with your child and to celebrate their progress.

If you have any concerns or questions about your child’s report, I encourage you to contact your child’s teacher to make an appointment for a mutually convenient time to discuss these.
Please note that the whole day and partial absences recorded on your child’s report cover the period from the beginning of the 2013 school year up to and including Friday 31 May.

RAINWEAR REQUIRED URGENTLY
Parents and carers are reminded that it is imperative for all children to have rain protective gear in their schoolbag at all times.

Children in K – 2 should have a hooded raincoat. Children in Years 3 – 6 may either have a hooded raincoat and/or a small umbrella.

Being a school on two sites, walking between is a regular, if not daily occurrence, regardless of the weather.

AREA CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL
Congratulations to Matthew, Brendan, Ellen, Nicholas, Aidan, Hamish, James, Zara and Zoe who represented our school and the Beecroft Zone in very muddy conditions at the Area Cross Country Carnival last Thursday. All of the children did extremely well.

PRINCIPAL’S WOW WORD OF THE WEEK
ascertain

As part of their homework, children in Year 3 can look up the word and write it and its meaning in their homework book. Students in Years 4 – 6 can look up the word in their dictionary and in their homework book, 1) write the word, 2) write its meaning, 3) write a sentence which includes the word and 4) write five words which are in the same “word family” or have the same suffix or prefix. Students in Year 2 might like to look up the meaning of the word for discussion in class.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

I look forward to seeing parents and carers at our Term 2 Recognition Assembly to be held in the school hall on Tuesday next week 25 June, commencing at 10.00am.

With my very best wishes to families,
Penny Willis
Principal

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SPORT

PSSA SCOREBOARD
Last week we played Normanhurst PS.

Soccer A won 1-0      Soccer B won 4-0
Netball A won 30-6    Netball B lost 15-3

This Friday we play Epping PS at Pennant Hills Park.

Mark Bryant - PSSA Coordinator

NAIDOC

During the last week of school, Years 3-6 will be running a NAIDOC fundraiser on the 3-6 site on Monday 24 June at recess and lunch. Stationery packs will be for sale for $2.50 and wrist bands for $1.00. These funds give opportunities for rural primary aged Aboriginal students to experience the city. The fundraiser will coincide with the Aboriginal performance “Beatty Clan Crew” being held in the hall on Wednesday 26 June.

Janette Thambyrajah - NAIDOC Fundraiser Coordinator

THE INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM

BAND
A huge congratulations to CB3, CB2 and CB1 who all performed brilliantly over the last week at the Yamaha Festival. A very big thank you must go to Mrs Willis, Mr Moran and Mrs Gilchrist for attending the three days of competition. I hope to have the results by the end of this week.

A reminder that CB1 and CB2’s rehearsals next Tuesday 25 June will be held in the hall due to the recognition assembly.

If families have not already done so, could they please email me by Friday their ordered preference dates for the parent helper roster for Term 3.

Michele – Band Coordinator

P&C REPORT

SCHOOL DIRECTORY
Just another reminder that the P&C school directory is coming out with an updated version.

- Could the families who did receive the directory, please check the details that have been included to make sure that they are correct. For any amendments, please email the corrections to pandcpresident@gmail.com.

The directory works best if the information is correct. Please get your corrections in by this Friday 21 June so that the updated directory can be distributed before the school holidays.

3 – 6 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL BBQ
The 3 – 6 Athletics Carnival is in Term 3 Week 2 on Thursday 25 July. If you, or a group of friends can assist in organising the BBQ, please contact me.

Alison – P&C Secretary

FABULOUS FUN-FILLED FAMILY FETE NEWS
A big THANK YOU to all the families who supported our Fabulous Fun-filled Family Fete.

The final figures are nearly complete and at this stage it looks like our fete has raised approximately $59,000.00. This is an amazing result achieved through many months of hard work by lots of people.

Thank you to the fete committee, class parents, stall coordinators and all parents and carers who dedicated their time for the whole weekend to support this mammoth event. Without you we would not have a fete and be able to raise valuable funds to support our school and our children’s learning. On fete day it was so wonderful to see our school community come together to help make the day such a success. The crowds were enormous, the food sold out and the atmosphere was buzzing with excitement and fun.

There will be a few changes to the fete in 2014. As always, there will be “old” families moving on to high school and “new” families starting Kindergarten next year. Our fete has the reputation of being a really wonderful community event. It is the involvement of families both past and present that adds to the fantastic community feel of the day.

Thank you to the K-2 and Year 6 staff who had to reorganise their classrooms for the weekend. The money raised from the fete will assist the P&C to fund the landscaping of the playground areas at K - 2. We had some great clothes and books donations left over after our fete which you all donated, and this year, instead of throwing them in the skip bin, they have been donated to Connect Redfern, who provide services for disadvantaged families in the Redfern area, such as playgroups and a toy library. They now have our donated books and clothes in the hall where they hold the playgroups, for families to take from as they need. Jo at Connect Redfern sends her thanks. It is great that our donated wares can go on and help another community groups.
Thank you to the many people who supported me in the role of Fete Coordinator. While I will not be coordinating the fete for next year I look forward to supporting whoever steps into the role. If you are enthusiastic about coordinating a stall for our fete next year, please let me know. There are some very keen parents who have already volunteered to coordinate some of the stalls for next year. Finally, a huge thank you once again to everyone who supported this event and had a fabulous fun-filled family day!

Sue – Fete Coordinator

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Carolyn - Canteen Manager

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UNIFORM SHOP

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