

# Monday Messenger



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What's on this week term 4 week 8

<b>Week</b>	<b>28.11.11</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Monday Messenger Zumba Scripture SAKGP National Evaluation
<b>Tuesday</b>	Taekwondo School Sleepover meal orders due
<b>Wednesday</b>	School's End of Financial Year Rollover Sue RFF UD Library Parent Planning Meeting notes due Parent Surveys due
<b>Thursday</b>	NO CANTEEN ( if sleepover is going ahead) Greg RFF LD Library School Sleepover – weather permitting (see below)
<b>Friday</b>	



## School Spectacular Performance

School Spectacular was SPECTACULAR! No more need to be said but I will say more.

It was a fantastic opportunity for our children to perform on the forecourt of the Sydney Entertainment Centre as part of this brilliant showcase of the talent fostered in NSW Public Schools.

The Green Machine did three excellent performance in 1 hour under difficult conditions.

While many people were blown away by some of the tricks, it was Hayley and Tyler who stole their hearts! A special thanks to Mrs Smith, our bus driver extraordinaire and Steve (her husband for doing the early and late shift.)

All parents can be proud of their children for their behaviour, effort and composure!

It was a truly outstanding day.

## School Sleepover

A decision will be made about the sleepover on Tuesday or Wednesday. The grounds may be too sodden for camping this week. However we do have some alternate dates in the next two weeks – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December or Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. A note will be sent home on Wednesday informing families one way or the other.

We still need to take orders for the meals. Nikki will provide dinner and breakfast meals, pre ordered please. (see menu attached) If you have not yet sent in your order please do so **tomorrow**.

The proposed program for the night:

5:00pm	Families arrive and set up tents
5:30pm	Family games – families in groups rotate through activities
6:30pm	Dinner
7:15pm	Aboriginal Customs & Beliefs – Steve Brereton, Worimi Man
8:00pm	Santa arrives
8:45pm	Toasting marshmallows
9:15pm	Camp fire songs/Carols – Lead by Lou
9:45pm	Retire to tents

On Thursday, Santa will be coming to our sleepover. In the spirit of giving, we ask that each family have something to give to Santa which we will give to a charity for distribution to those less fortunate than ourselves.

We don't want people to go to any unnecessary expense. A small toy or non-perishable foodstuff should be sufficient.

The presents could be brought to school on Thursday for wrapping.

## Reminder: Parent Planning Meeting – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Planning is well underway for the parent planning meeting on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>**. I have secured the services of two QuickSmart tutors from Forster Public School to present a session on the program in the morning. We are planning to implement the program into Stage 2 and Stage 3 in 2012. The program for the day is as follows:

9:00	Coffee on arrival
9:15	Review of 2011 school targets - Sue
10:00	QuickSmart Workshop – Tracey Horne & Helen Camileri
10:30	Morning Tea
11:00	Review of NAPLAN Data 2011 – Greg
12:00	School Evaluations – Technology, Leadership, Quality of School Life - Sue
12:30	Lunch
1:00	P&C Meeting – Lee-Anne
2:00	Close

If you are able to attend please complete the note below. As we need to let the restaurant know numbers, it would be appreciated if you could return your note by **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November**.

## School Evaluation Surveys

Thank you everyone who has returned their surveys. **Surveys are due back no later than Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November.**

## Reminder: School End Of Financial Year – 30<sup>th</sup> November

The end of the school's financial year is fast approaching – 30<sup>th</sup> November. If you have outstanding money owing for excursions or uniforms it would be appreciated if they could be settled by Tuesday 29.11.11. If you are having difficulty, please don't hesitate to contact me personally.

## Tips for Parents

### Australia Day film and photography competitions

Two competitions are currently open that celebrate what it means to be Australian.

The Australia Day Council's Living Australian online photography competition is running with the theme of 'Make your Mark Australia' for 2012. The junior division prize is \$1000 and a Canon EOS 600D DSLR Camera. The open division carries a cash prize of \$4000 with the winning image immortalized on an Australian stamp. The Reel Australian Short Film Competition is also open. Students can submit an original short film in response to the question: 'What makes a mark on your Australia?'

There are three divisions: junior, open and mobile with prizes including cash, an iPad2 and a camera.

Both competitions close on 6 December. More info at: [www.AUSSIEVAULT.com.au](http://www.AUSSIEVAULT.com.au).

### Primary school

### Healthy lunchbox ideas

We are all so busy in the lead up to Christmas, but it is still important to provide your child with healthy, nutritious and filling lunches and snacks at school.

The School A to Z website has some great quick and easy lunchbox ideas.

The site has printable recipes and food tips as well as allergy buster lunches for the most sensitive.

And remember as the weather warms up, freeze a water bottle and place in the lunchbox (wrap in a cloth to keep food dry) to keep food at a safe temperature for consumption.

Go to [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/recipes](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/recipes)

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## Notes Week 8

### Parent Planning Day – Buddha On The Lake

- \* Yes, I will be attending the parent planning day at “Buddha By The Beach” on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December.

Any Dietary Requirements: No Yes

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- \* No, I will not be attending

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

### School Sleepover

Yes, our family will be camping at the school on Thursday night 1st December.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_