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We are always pleased to celebrate the achievements of our students, and to commend them for their application and hard work which leads to success. Sometimes, this success is personal and sometimes it is played out on a larger stage. In both situations, we recognise that success is most often the result of hard work and dedication.

Yesterday, students from our school participated in the Regional Finals of the Premier’s Spelling Bee. 22 schools sent along two representatives in both the junior and senior sections. Our senior representatives were Evan of 6C and Anastasia of 4/5M; our junior representatives were Anthony of 4C and Reece of 4P. All of the students represented us and themselves so well. It is a challenging process and one could be forgiven if nerves took over! However, all of the children were worthy representatives and handled the challenge admirably.

After being runner-up in the same final last year, Evan was able to go one better, and is this year’s Regional Spelling Bee Champion. He now goes on to the State Final at the Eugene Goosens Auditorium (ABC Centre) in November. We wish Evan the very best of luck. We also extend congratulations to Anastasia, who came third in her first year in the senior level, and Anthony, who came third in the junior section. A great effort, all round. The high performance of our representatives is a credit to their hard work and talent, and to their teachers and families for supporting and encouraging their efforts.

Our congratulations, also, to Lefteri of 5/6G. Lefteri was presented with a Commended Award in the 2011 Minister’s Awards for Excellence in Student Achievement - Community Languages Schools. This was presented at the University of New South Wales earlier this month. Lefteri attends Greek Community Language classes held at Connells Point Public School. We congratulate him, and his teachers, on his achievement and are very proud of his success.

As we come to the end of a very busy term, my thanks to all our staff and parents who work consistently to provide positive and challenging experiences for our children. There are so many opportunities for students to challenge themselves and try new things, and this only happens because teachers are willing to give extra time and commitment to making it happen. Our students are also wonderfully supported by parents and grandparents who value learning and who support teachers in

**Holiday Safety**

Your help in keeping an eye on our school during the school holidays would be very much appreciated.

Only children attending Vacation Care should be in the grounds at any time during the holidays. Skateboarders have caused damage to seats during previous vacations and on weekends, and we have had trouble in the past with vandalism.

If you see anyone behaving suspiciously, or on the school premises without approval, please contact School Security on 1300 880 021, or Hurstville Police on 9375 8599.

Students and staff return to school on Monday 10 October. We wish our families a relaxing, safe and enjoyable break.
PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Principal’s Awards have been received by:

- Elise N
- Dimitra P
- Arthur F
- Alex M
- Amalie S
- Zane C
- Adriana R
- Jessica W
- Charlie W
- Olivia P
- Stephanie F
- Lachlan B
- Nataria F

Congratulations to these students for consistently displaying our Values in Action.

NAPLAN

We have received this year’s NAPLAN results for Years 3 and 5. Overall, the results are very pleasing. Year 3 students performed strongly in all of the areas tested and have improved upon the performance of previous years. Year 5 students did well in all areas, with the only dip in performance being the percentage of students placed in the very top band in Reading. That being said, our overall average showed a rise from the previous year. Particularly pleasing was the reduction of students in the lower bands.

Across both grades, our students were extremely strong in Spelling and Grammar and Punctuation.

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## K-2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2011 RESULTS

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## PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE 2011

Congratulations to the 369 children who have completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year — our biggest group ever! Certificates will be distributed in November and the people who have completed it for 3 years will receive their Gold Certificate!

Thank you to all the children who entered their reading record online. I hope you enjoyed your books and that this experience has increased your love of reading. Start reading now, ready for next year’s challenge!

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We are currently in the process of reviewing our menu for 2012. If you have any suggestions you wish to offer, please contact us via our email address of CPPSCanteen@Gmail.com

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THE FRIENDSHIP PATH

Want to cement your school friendships? Why not buy a paver in our ‘Friendship Path’?
Below is a diagram of another playground upgrade being professionally constructed by our own
Mr Frank. We are calling it “The Meeting Place”. It will be a nice area where our children can
sit quietly with their friends or where teachers can take small groups to. In between the new
area and the softfall playground we thought it would be a wonderful idea to create another
pathway (similar to our 75th Anniversary Path) and allow our students to purchase pavers with
their names printed on them. If you would like to purchase a paver, please fill out the form
attached and return it and your money to the office.
CPPS 5 cent Challenge
as at 20/09/2011

Main Target: 1,000,000
Collected: 274,051
To Go: 725,949

2011 Target: 300,000
Collected: 32,464
To Go: 25,949

WOW!! A huge week this week. I collected an impressive 7,076 coins!
This was mainly due to the efforts of KS - 2,052 coins (thank you Ashten, Kristian and Kyla) and 4/5M - 1,615 coins (thank you Emma). Thanks also to Erin in KC, the students of 5/6G, 3D, 1L and 2J for bringing in more than 300 coins. The winners for Term 3 are: KC and 4/5M - congratulations.

**Collection by Class**

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You are invited to be part of our “Friendship Path”

To be located in the school grounds

You are invited to participate in this unique opportunity to have your name as a permanent part of our school.

OPTION 1
Single name or message paver

COST: $35.00

OPTION 2
Family double paver set

COST: $65.00

For as little as $35.00 your name or message will be engraved into a paver which will then be laid permanently in our “Friendship Path”.

Offer Closes 21 October 2011

Connells Point Public School P&C invites you, your child and your family to become a permanent part of our school’s history. If you decide to take advantage of our offer your paver will become a part of our “Friendship Path”, which will provide an enduring link between the past, present and future that includes the essential partnerships that make our school what it is – students, parents, school and community.

To order your paver please complete the order form and return it to the school.
FOR PATHWAY PAVER
Please complete the details of the name or message you would like engraved in your paver/s in the template provided below.

~ ORDER FORM ~

**SINGLE PAVER**

Please print clearly. Each letter, number, punctuation mark or space represents one character.

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COST: $65

**OPTION 1**
Single name or message paver

**OPTION 2**
Family double paver set

Simply complete your details in the template provided and return with your cash or cheque.

Name: ____________________________  Child’s name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________  Class: ____________________________
Ph: Sue - 0404 022 482

Cheques should be made payable to: Connells Point Public School P&C

Thank you for your support
KIDS’ HOLIDAY CAMPS

Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camps are a great way to help your child develop in a fun, secure and professionally run environment. They’ll try new things, make new friends and help shyer children come out of their shell. Camps cater for children from 7-17 and include activities, accommodation, 24-hour supervision and nutritious meals. Supervised transport is also offered to and from most camps. Camps are located around Sydney and regional NSW. For more information and to book go to:


FREE

FUN AT SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK

There are heaps of wallet-friendly activities for younger children these school holidays at Sydney Olympic Park.

For example, children can join a fun dinosaur dig with Circus Solaris and search for the mysterious ‘Olympasaurus’. The day includes craft activities as well. Details of this and more at: