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Next week, all NSW public schools will be celebrating Education Week.

It is a week to celebrate the power of education to transform and enrich the lives of students, and to remind ourselves of the importance of public education. I firmly believe that a strong, well-resourced, well-supported public education system is essential for creating and maintaining an equitable, fair, tolerant, inclusive and cohesive society.

Many would argue that public education has been one of the most significant influences in creating our Australian identity and character. It has been the glue that has bound us together and established a shared set of values and experiences. I believe it is hugely important that children and young people grow up together experiencing, understanding and valuing their similarities and their differences; that they have friends whose backgrounds are different from their own; that they visit homes that are not the same as theirs; that they learn with and from each other. And that they learn to see beyond “different” to find the important things that are the same.

I don’t think we should ever take public education for granted, and as advocates for and users of this proud system, we should be vigilant in ensuring that it is an attractive “first choice” for all families.

There is so much that our NSW public education system achieves for the full range of young people in its care. It is not a perfect system—nothing is—but it does a remarkably successful job given the challenges of meeting the widely diverse needs of many hundreds of thousands of students, parents and staff throughout the state. At Connells Point Public School, we try to do our small part in providing excellent and varied learning opportunities for our students, as well as developing strong values and positive attitudes and behaviours.

The theme for this year’s Education Week is “Creating the Future”. On so many levels, this is what we, as a community, are doing every day, not just for our children and their individual futures, but for our society as a whole.

**Value of the Week**

Next week’s value is “Cooperation”, with focus on the aspect of being a team player. A team can be any group to which a child belongs—school, class, friendship, sporting, dance, choir, band, club, etc.

In talking with students about this value, we place emphasis on the commitment required when one is part of a team. Not letting the team down—by pulling out, not giving your best, being late, not attending practices or rehearsals, by putting self-interest ahead of others—needs to be central to any decision made by a team member. Criticising others in the group is also not part of being a team player. Team players are supportive, positive, dedicated, reliable, cooperative, selfless and committed.

Parents can assist the development of these values by spelling out expectations, very clearly, when children express interest in joining a team or a group. Ensuring their participation, until the conclusion of their commitment, is crucial. Making sure that they see things through is a life-skill which will serve them well in their future.

**Dates to Remember 2011**

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EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY/BOOK WEEK

We warmly invite parents, carers and family members to join us for our Education Week Open Day. Classrooms will be open for visits between **9.45 and 10.45 am**. Visitors are welcome to stay with us for morning tea, and then to take part in Book Week activities in their child’s room. We hope you might also find time to visit our Book Fair (details below).

THURSDAY, 4 AUGUST

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ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

As part of the 2011 Education Week activities, the school will be holding its annual Book Fair on Thursday August 4 from 9.30 till 2.00pm. You are invited to accompany your child/children to the *library* in order to purchase a book and donate it on the student’s behalf. All donated books will be acknowledged on the inside cover.

*Bloomin’ Books* is the school’s supplier and all donations are quality resources that are extensively used by K-6 students.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

M. McKirdy
Teacher - Librarian
**THANK YOU**

This week marks the end of Miss Dorian’s temporary engagement as teacher of 1D. On Monday 1 August, Miss Julie Challenor will commence her permanent appointment to Connells Point Public School, and will take over as 1D’s teacher. We warmly welcome Miss Challenor to our school, and congratulate her on her appointment.

On behalf of our staff and students, I would like to thank Miss Dorian for her commitment to 1D this year, and for her collegiality and commitment to our school.

**PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS**

Principal’s Awards have been received by:

- Ruby D
- Claudia C
- Lachlan W

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

**CPPS PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION**

As a key part of our Talking and Listening program, all Connells Point Public School students take part in our school-wide public speaking competition.

Each student in the school presents a prepared speech to his or her class. From these presentations, representatives are chosen to progress to our school stage semi-final competitions. Finalists are then selected to represent stages which compete in the school-wide competition. To assist in the differentiation of student performances, finalists will be required to present an impromptu speech on a topic provided at the final.

Stage winners of finals will proceed to represent the school at the Georges River Network Public Speaking Competition and, should success be achieved at that level, progress to represent at the next level.

In view of the time involved in preparation of speeches, students from K-2 have already brought home notes regarding the details of the competition. Students in Grades 3-6 will be bringing home notes about the competition by early next week at the latest. The Connells Point Website will have reference links available which may assist in the planning, writing and presentation of good speeches.

We look forward to all students taking this opportunity to further develop their confidence in speaking before an audience.
**EXPRESION OF INTEREST—SCHOOL FETE PERFORMANCES**

Friendly reminder that expressions of interest for performances by the School Junior and Senior Choirs and School Junior and Senior Bands are due by **1 August**.

Please see the newsletter from Week 10 of Term 2 for details and the expression of interest slip.

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**WOOLWORTHS—EARN & LEARN POINTS**

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We will also be taking part in the Coles Sports for Schools program commencing **11 August**.

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**P & C NEWS**

Help us earn great educational products and help young Australians with cancer by simply bringing in your old, unwanted mobile phones.

A collection box is available in the Office.

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**WHITE ELEPHANT STALL**

This week please bring in all your unwanted (but **GOOD QUALITY**) TOYS & GAMES

These items can be brought to the school on **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings between 9am – 10am** and taken to the demountable classroom in the infant’s playground.

**ANOTHER PERSONS JUNK IS SOMEONE ELSE’S TREASURE!**

**BOOKS, DVD’S AND CD’S**

Year 2 are still collecting used books, DVD’s and CD’s for their stall. If you have any of the above that you are looking to donate, please bring them in and put them in the collection boxes inside the Year 2 classrooms.

**FACE PAINTERS WANTED**

We are looking for any talented Year 6 children who would be willing to help out on the Face Painting Stall at the Fete. If anyone is interested in helping us would your parents please contact Sue on 0404 022489 to discuss?

**YEAR 6 PARENTS WANTED**

As you know, it is the responsibility of year 6 parents to run the **Café** and **BBQ** at the fete. We need as many Year 6 parents as possible to make scones for the Café. I have a great recipe for very easy scones so, if you can help out please contact Sue on 0404 022489.

**Recap of Year Stalls:**

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P & C NEWS CONTINUED

CPPS FETE
10 September, 2011

7 Weeks to go

CARNIVAL RIDES

Rides, rides and more rides. We can now confirm that we have secured the following rides for the fete.

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+ one more to be confirmed

Do you want to be able to take your time browsing around the many different stalls at the fete without your child telling you to hurry up? Why not purchase a pre-paid unlimited rides ticket?

We are selling EARLY BIRD unlimited ride tickets for $20.00. To secure your early bird ticket, please fill out the below form and return it, together with your money, to the office in an envelope clearly marked “Carnival Rides Ticket”.

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