**Sport**

Last Friday I had the exciting experience of watching Connells Point PSSA teams compete in the Georges River PSSA Finals Gala Day. In all sports we had an excellent season, with our Senior Girls Cricket, T-Ball, Boys Softball, Senior Boys Oz Tag and both Junior and Senior Newcombe Ball teams gaining places in the Semi Finals.

At each game, I saw teamwork, co-operation and good sportsmanship. I was extremely proud to see Connells Point students displaying such positive attitudes, playing fair and most importantly having fun.

It is heartening to see this sporting behaviour, because in sport the real winners are those who know how to behave with dignity – whether they win or lose a game. Sportsmanship includes both small gestures and heroic efforts. It is as simple as shaking hands with an opponent before a game and includes acknowledging good plays and accepting bad calls gracefully.

Displaying good sportsmanship isn't always easy; it can be tough to congratulate the opposing team after losing, but students who do are likely to carry the same respect and appreciation of others into the classroom and the playground. It is important to remember, winning is only one of the goals in sport. I thank and acknowledge each of our coaches - Miss Benson, Mr Cohen, Mrs Parsons and Mrs Law - who have guided our players along the road to taking pride in their accomplishments and improving their skills. I'm sure you would agree with me when I say that we all see them as winners even if the score board doesn't show the numbers in their favour.

**SPORT RESULTS**

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Mrs Anne Whale
Relieving Principal

**Value of the Week**

The value for the coming week is **“Care”** with the aspect of treating people with courtesy and kindness.

This value underpins all that we try to instill in our children. It is so important in helping our children to be liked, included, respected and admired. Children who have unfailing good manners, thoughtfulness and consideration for the feelings of others will go far in this world, irrespective of their achievements in other areas.

As parents and teachers, we need to be always aware of our children’s strengths and weaknesses in this area, reinforcing their best efforts through praise and recognition, and raising their awareness of their behaviour when it is less than it should be.
Enrolments 2011

Due to the increased number of permanent classrooms currently under construction, it is anticipated that there will be the capacity to accept some out of area enrolments in all grades in 2011. As this has not been the case for some years, please invite friends or neighbours who are interested in attending our school to contact our office and leave their details.

To help us monitor enrolments, and determine how many places may be available for non-local children, we are also asking for in-area applications to be lodged as soon as possible. Application forms are available from the office or our website. Our website also has our boundary map and other criteria relating to enrolment. There is also a link to translations of the application form.

Your help in promoting early enrolments would be appreciated.

Multicultural Public Speaking Competition

The Stage 2 Multicultural Public Speaking Competition was held on Tuesday afternoon. The standard was very high with all speakers impressing the teachers who were adjudicating. Students had to present both a prepared speech and an impromptu.

Participants to be commended are James, Joanna and Sally. Our two Highly Commended speakers are Mia and Emma. Congratulations to our winners Anastasia and Dayna who will progress to a zone competition.

Regional Band News

Congratulations to Fiona, Oliver and Chrystal who auditioned for the Sydney Regional Band and were successful in gaining a position. We wish these children every success as they challenge their talents with other members from schools in the St. George District, Sydney Region.

SRC News

Thank you to everyone who has already purchased Stewart House dolphins. Unfortunately the LED Light dolphins have sold out but we still have some tattoos and dolphins (no jacket) for $1.00 each.

Please send your order in as soon as possible.

Many thanks
SRC Teachers

Chess Competition

Venue: Exhibition Centre, Rosehill Racecourse
Cost: FREE!!
Time: Registration is at 8.45am on the day of the tournament. Prize giving will commence at approx. 3.30pm
Format: This is an individual and not a team event. Each tournament is a 7 round 'swiss' competition.
Entry: Entry forms are available from the school office
Enquiries: Please phone (02) 9745 1170
**Eco Tip**

**Did you know?**
Australians are the second highest waste producers in the world. We throw away 3.3 million tonnes of food a year—the equivalent of a quarter of the nation’s food supply.

**What can you do?**
Shop smartly—a void unnecessary packaging and buy only what you need. More great tips at www.livingthing.net.au

**Internet Safety Tip**

- Remind your child to keep information such as their name, address, phone number, school and even your credit card number to themselves.

- When signing up to a chat room, they should use a screen name that is a nickname and not easy to work out. The same goes for choosing passwords—don’t make them easy to figure out.

- If your child is going to put photos on the Internet, ensure they don’t show them wearing their school uniform—this can be enough to identify your child’s school. Also ensure that any photos are not the type that would attract unwanted attention from strangers.


**Helping your child with writing**

Ask your child to tell you about events which did not involve you, eg. a friend’s birthday party. This helps them work out what a listener needs to know and prepares them for writing.

More tips at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolparents

**P & C News**

**P&C Meetings**

Tuesday night was our monthly P&C Meeting. I was extremely disappointed that only our 2 vice presidents, secretary and treasurer came to the meeting. It was a cold, rainy night and I understand that on nights like this people do not want to go outside but we didn’t even have enough people to hold this meeting!

The P&C is an extremely important part of our children’s school. Without the P&C their resources would be drastically depleted. The Government does not give our school enough money to buy the extra equipment we come to expect our schools to have.

P&C meetings are necessary, as we need to plan our activities and discuss any fundraisers we have recently held. It also gives us a chance to hear from our Principal on any issues the school might need our assistance with.

Without parent support our P&C cannot exist so I urge you to please consider coming to these meetings and being involved in your child’s schooling.

**The meeting will now be held Tuesday, May 25 at 7.00pm in the staffroom.**

Sue
**P & C News continued**

**Reminder**

Cupcake Day-Friday 21 May
Y5&6 will be providing cakes for all students to purchase.

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**Canteen Roster**

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**Community News**

NSWAGTC PRIMARY SCIENCE WORKSHOP
LEGO ROBOTICS
Saturday May 29, 2010
10.00am to 12.30pm
St George Community Services
72 Carwar Avenue, Carrs Park 2221

NSWAGTC is a non-profit, community based organisation that provides enrichment activities for children with bright enquiring minds. Although these workshops are aimed at children who can be called ‘gifted’, there is no requirement of formal identification for children to attend. We also provide information and support to parents, educators and others concerned with Gifted Children.

Our Primary Science Workshops include a variety of different hands-on enrichment activities for children aged 7 to 14 years and provide an opportunity for children with ‘like minds’ to work together in a fun and relaxed environment. Bookings and payment are essential via the registration form on our website or from the event flyer in our Gifted Magazine (published 4 times per year-free for NSWAGTC members).

More information about our Primary Science Workshops or any other NSWAGTC event can be found on our website—www.nswagtc.org.au or by contacting our Events Co-ordinator Julie Porter-Stephens on 0408 167 249 from 10am to 2pm weekdays.