Leadership

In the coming weeks, our students and teachers will be forming the Student Leadership Team for 2011.

Year 5 students have undergone leadership training, and have discussed the qualities that leaders must possess to positively influence others. They have considered how their peers behave when in the presence of adults and when they are with their friends and other students. They have discussed the expectations and challenges that come with being a student leader and reflected on the impact of being a student leader on their choices and behaviour.

Following this training, the Year 5 students have nominated those that they feel are the best candidates to fulfil a leadership role as a prefect or captain in 2011. Teachers have also added to these nominations, in line with our policy.

Soon, these nominees will talk to the wider student body about why they aspire to be school leaders, after which students and teachers will cast their votes.

From this pool of students, captains, vice-captains and prefects will be selected.

The Leadership Team will be further expanded with the selection of House Captains, and supported by the 2011 Student Representative Council.

The role of parents and carers in guiding student leaders is considerable. Ensuring that students understand the expectations and hard work that come with leadership; ensuring that they are always correctly and neatly dressed in full school uniform; reinforcing the skills of leadership in being a good role model in and out of school; and helping them to always display our values in action are crucial ways in which students become exemplary leaders.

We thank all those who have been willing to put themselves forward for this challenging role; while not all will receive a formal leadership role, all of our senior students are leaders and role models for others and need to act accordingly.

Dates to Remember 2010

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Focus

With so many activities and changes to routine that always occur at this time of year, it is very important that students maintain focus on their behaviour, attitude and learning.

Being punctual to school; wearing correct uniform (including school shoes and socks); and having neat and tidy hair are all important disciplines that send the message that we are still at school and expecting appropriate behaviour and manners.

For Stage 3 children, in particular, the temptation to drop standards and lose focus is especially strong. We will be working very hard to maintain our high expectations. The support of parents and carers in also keeping expectations high and making sure students comply with school rules is most important.

Participation by students K-6 in our Year 6 Fete and Picnic Day are rewards for hard work and good behaviour. Students whose behaviour is less than satisfactory may find that they lose this reward.
Awards

Principal's Awards have been received by:

- Bryana
- Sophie
- Chloe
- Julian
- Alexandra

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

Special congratulations to Ella who has received our highest award, an Outstanding Achievement Principal's Trophy for Values in Action.

Sydney Region Choir

Do you like to sing? Would you like to join the Sydney Region Choir?

Years 5—12 are invited to come and audition on the following dates:

**Venue 1:** Sutherland Public School hall (double storey building)
- Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 November between 3.30pm and 5.00pm
- Tuesday 30 November between 3.30pm and 5.00pm

Regular weekly rehearsal time: Tuesdays 4.00pm—5.30pm
Conductors: Deborah Mulcair & Kipi Fifita

**Venue 2:** Darlington Public School (school hall)
- Thursday 18 November and Thursday 2 December between 3.30pm and 5.00pm

Regular weekly rehearsal time: Thursdays 4.30pm-6.00pm
Conductors: John Smiley & Kipi Fifita

Your commitment to the program would include attending weekly rehearsals all year. Annual membership is $350 for all weekly rehearsals, plus a uniform fee of $100 and music score fee of $50. Scholarships for ATSI students are available, after a successful audition.

You are invited to book in for an audition by contacting Heather Causley—Manager—Sydney Region Choir 0400 808 603 (all enquiries) causleys@bigpond.net.au

Book Fair Thank You

Thank you to all the parents and students who donated books to the library during our recent Book Week. The school community’s generosity has again provided more than 300 quality publications for the students’ enjoyment.

A very special thank you to Mrs Carroll for her wonderful work in covering so many of the donated books.

Dr M. McKirdy Librarian

Planning 2011

To assist in our organisation for 2011 it would be helpful to know if any student, other than Y6, will not be returning next year. Please advise the office as soon as possible if you will not require placement next year.
Invitation

Last week, we incorrectly reported that Dayna had recently participated in the Regional Finals of the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition.

In fact, Dayna was the Sydney Region representative in the State Finals of the competition.

This was an outstanding achievement, and placed Dayna among the “best of the best” public speakers in Stage 2 in New South Wales.

As the adjudicators reflected, the quality of the speakers at this level is amazingly high, and the standard seems to rise each year. It is a reflection on the talent and focus on public speaking at Connells Point Public School that we have had two state finalists in the last three years.

Congratulations to Dayna, and to her teachers, parents and fellow public speakers who have developed and challenged her skills over the years.

Multicultural Public Speaking

If you have volunteered to help in any way this year including, Canteen, Parent help in classrooms, Reading & Music Tutors, Uniform Shop, Fundraising, Library and Book Club, School Banking, P & C, School Council and any other role, we would like you to join us for a ‘Thank You’ lunch.

Where: The Assembly Hall
When: Wednesday 24 November, 2010
Time: 1.25 pm
RSVP Please complete and return the slip below by Friday 19 November.

We look forward to seeing you
The Staff of Connells Point Public School

THANK YOU LUNCH

Please tick where applicable:

I am pleased to accept

I am sorry I cannot accept your invitation

Name:___________________________________
Child’s Name:____________________________ Class:________________
SRC News

Basket Brigade is a registered charity specialising in Christmas hampers for the needy over the Christmas period. The P&C and the SRC are combining our support for the Christmas drive this season.

You can demonstrate your support by donating small gifts, food, money, etc as suggested in their advertisement below. The students will be creating art works as decorations for the hampers.

Please forward your donation to your child’s class by Tuesday, 30 November.

Thank you
SRC Teachers

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THIS CHRISTMAS!

FILL ME UP WITH GOODIES AND YOU CAN HELP TO MAKE CHRISTMAS SPECIAL FOR A FAMILY IN NEED!

CANNED FOOD - GIFTS (unwrapped) - SWEETS - BISCUITS - CANNED DRINKS - PASTA/RICE CEREALS - TOILETRIES - SMALL APPLIANCES - MUSIC CDs

EVEN THE LITTLE THINGS COUNT!
A DONATION OF AS LITTLE AS $10 CAN HELP PURCHASE THE BASICS FOR A FAMILY IN NEED TO MAKE THEIR CHRISTMAS SPECIAL.
CHILDREN - ELDERLY - HUNGRY - HOMELESS
Tickets for our annual showcase are now on sale for $12 per ticket. At the moment, families are limited to 4 tickets, but you may request more. Please note, if you are offered further tickets, they will not be next to your first lot of tickets. Tickets are allocated as the requests are received, beginning with dress circle seats, from front to back, then continuing with ground floor seats, from front to back. If there are any questions please direct them to the office and they will be relayed. Cheques are to be made out to Connells Point Public School.

As mentioned in an earlier newsletter, all children in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will be performing, as well as children in the selective dance groups, Performing Band, Senior and Junior Choirs, skipping team and the winners of our Speaking Competitions.

Date: Wednesday, 1 December
Time: 7.00pm until approximately 8.40pm
The Showcase 2010 Committee

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Connells Point Public School
proudly presents

Showcase 2010

To be held at
Sutherland Entertainment Centre

On

1 December @ 7pm
**P&C News**

**Individual Calendars**

Children from K-6 will be given the opportunity to undertake an individual calendar as a fundraising event for our school.

**WHAT DOES IT INVOLVE?**  
The children will complete an A4 piece of artwork in their class. This will be sent and made into a laminated calendar with 12 tear-off months.

**COST:**  
$12.00 per calendar.

**DUE DATE:**  
Laminated calendars are expected back in by 10 December, 2010 and will be handed to children.

**LAST DAY FOR ORDERS:**  
18 November, 2010

Order forms are available from the office. A percentage of the profits will be donated back to our school. This is an ideal Christmas gift for family and friends.

Please contact Sue if you have any further enquiries.

**Canteen News**

**Volunteers for 2011**

In 2011 we will be open for lunch orders Monday to Friday. This will require a change to the current Friday roster system. Friday volunteers will now be required the same hours as Monday to Thursday—9.30am to 2.15pm.

To all our current volunteers, if you are planning to stay on the same rostered day in 2011 there is no need to do anything. If you are changing days or joining the roster please contact either Sharon or Robyn.

To all our volunteers, thank you for your time throughout the year.

**Canteen Roster**

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**Christmas Baubles Fundraiser**

Please note the following delivery dates for your Christmas baubles-

**Orders received by 19 November will be returned on 24 November** and can be collected at the P&C Christmas Shopping Night.

**Orders received after 19 November and by 26 November** can be collected from the School Hall verandah on Tuesday, 7 December.
Sausage Sizzle—26 November, 2010

We are holding a sausage sizzle on Friday, 26 November. The cost is $2.50 per sausage. If you would like a sausage, please complete the below order form and return it, together with your money, to the office clearly marked “Sausage Sizzle”.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE—26 NOVEMBER, 2010

NAME: .................................................................................................................................
CLASS........................................
NO. OF SAUSAGES........................................

$2.50 per sausage

P&C Guest Speaker - Cyberbullying

Given the technical age we live in, our children have many different avenues open to them to communicate with each other. They have mobile phones, Facebook, Twitter, MSN Messenger, email, even their ipods have communication ability! Gone are the days where they have to wait until they get to school to talk with their friends!

With the ability to “talk” with their school mates anywhere and anytime comes the possibility of Cyberbullying. Cyberbullying can affect anyone and everyone! Mrs Hewson has written about this very important topic on a number of occasions.

Do you know how best to deal with this issue? Would you like some valuable tips and guides? Do you have concerns you would like to discuss with others?

To help you answer these, and many, many more questions, the P&C have arranged for the Youth Liaison Officer from Hurstville Police LAC, Constable Dawn Pointon to speak about Cyberbullying at our next P&C meeting to be held in the Performing Arts Room on Tuesday, 7 December at 6pm.

No one is exempt from this issue – come along and listen to Constable Pointon.

So we can accommodate everyone, would you please fill in the below form to indicate your attendance and return it to school in a clearly marked envelope?

Cyberbullying

☒ Yes, I will be attending the Cyberbullying P&C talk.

Name:.................................................................................................................................

No of people attending:.................................................................................................

Cyberbullying
THREE GREAT CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISERS
NOVEMBER 2010
From some sponsors of our
CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT MARKET

We are so pleased to offer Connells Point Public School three options for Christmas gift ideas that will directly benefit us!! 10% of all sales raised through our School will be donated back to us.

OZE GOURMET - www.ozegourmet.com.au
Beautiful Gourmet Food Hampers - Order before November 30th and mention CPPS - and 10% of your purchase will be donated back to our school!

LOLLYPOTZ - www.lollypotz.com.au
Unique Chocolate / Wine Bouquets
By purchasing from Lollypotz until November 25th 2010, 10% will be donated back to our School. Delivery back to the School on 7th December 2010.

THE CHRISTMAS CART - www.thechristmascart.com.au
Purchase personalised baubles as gifts as well as a whole range of beautiful Christmas ornaments.

All offers will be on display at the Christmas Twilight Market on WEDNESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER in the school hall.

ORDER YOUR TICKETS NOW!

PLEASE GET BEHIND THESE FANTASTIC FUNDRAISERS....and help raise money for our school!

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Pick Up Zone Roster

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