Wednesday 15th February, 2012
Week 4 - Term 1
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our Leaders Induction assembly was a great morning for all involved. Our leaders, parents and school community enjoyed our band and some lovely morning tea after the Induction. Thankyou to Mrs Fletcher, Mr Mathews, Mrs Owens and Terri for their organisation and help.

As always at the beginning of the year we have many notes that need signing. My apologies for this but it is important. We request your permission for internet use, publication of photos, short walking, scripture and homework. These notes help us support your beliefs and wishes for your child. Please return these as soon as possible. If you do not receive these let the class teacher know. Any questions about these can be asked at the Parent Information nights tonight.

5.30pm for Koalas, Possums, Wombats, Echidnas
6.00pm for Bilbies, Penguins, Kookaburras, Wallabies

This week our book pack costings have been sent home. If any family needs support to buy books please ask for a student assistance form. I thank Mrs Bailey who has offered to process any on-line payments for book-packs only.

This year there are no “Student Work Sample Folders” included. Unfortunately due to a host of reasons we will not be making them this year. Garden Suburb folders are available through the office for $2.80 if you wish to buy one to keep work samples and reports in when they are sent home.

All of our students look fantastic in their school uniforms. The transition from the old uniforms to the new have gone smoothly and I thank Donna and Janine for their volunteer work in this area, every Monday and Tuesday morning.

We were very distressed to hear of the sudden death of an ex-parent of our school. Mr Redpath. We express our deepest sympathy for the family. If you would like to make a donation to help support Mrs Redpath and the 6 children please ring Cardiff South Soccer Club who have organised ongoing fundraising support for the family.

Please note that the dreaded headlice have returned to school with the children. Please be vigilant and check your child each week and report to staff if any are found. Neutralice has found to be effective as are some preventative sprays used every morning when leaving school. These can be found at chemists. (AMCAL chemist was noted at the P&C meeting). We need to break the cycle quickly.

A reminder to parents that we have several students who have an allergic, life threatening reaction to nuts. Please be mindful of this when packing your child’s lunch each day. We will be sending home letters to update health care plans for students with medical issues.

Have a great week.
Jo Swadling
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**Canteen Roster**

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The canteen will be closed on 28th March if we cannot find volunteers to help. We have filled the other days only looking for one now.

Please return contact details as soon as possible so we can keep accurate records. New emails are important for newsletters.

P&C would welcome donations of Easter Eggs & Mothers Day gifts for our fundraising. These can be handed in at the office. Thankyou for your support.
Dear Principal and Parents,

Subject: Parking Offences in School Zones

Lake Macquarie City Council would like to welcome your students back to the new school year. Council would also like to take this opportunity at the start of the new school year to provide your school and parents of children attending your school with information on parking in school zones.

Why do we need restricted parking around schools?

- Restricted parking in school zones is there for the safety of our children.
- It is designed to help all road users maintain safe lines of vision.
- It is designed to allow for a turnover of vehicles within a time-allowed area.
- Illegally parking creates a dangerous environment for children as it can severely reduce their view of approaching vehicles.

Please find attached flyer detailing common parking offences committed in school zones, pictures and explanation of common signs as well as the penalties. Could you please attach a copy of this flyer to your school newsletter.

If you have any questions or you would like the parking officers to extend your school and speak with parents please do not hesitate to contact me.

We look forward to working with you in 2012, to keep schools a safe place for all children.

Should you require further information, please contact Council Coordinator Ranger Services Mr Stephen Barry on 4221 0333.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Barry | Coordinator Ranger Services
Lake Macquarie City Council
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We reserve the right to accept or reject any third-party provider.

| SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES |

Penalties for School Zones. Current as at 1 February 2012

**NO STOPPING**

- Means that in the area in the direction of the arrow, you must NOT STOP your vehicle at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.
- Maximum Penalty: $265
- + 2 POINTS

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- Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.
- Maximum Penalty: $147
- + 2 POINTS

**BUS ZONE**

- Means that in the direction of the arrow or arrowed you are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus.
- Maximum Penalty: $265
- + 2 POINTS

**DOUBLE PARKING**

- You are NOT PERMITTED to stop or park your vehicle alongside another vehicle that is already parallel to the kerb.
- Maximum Penalty: $265
- + 2 POINTS

**STOPS**

- STOP in a NO STOPPING zone: $265 + 2 points, or STOP on or near a Children’s or Pedestrian Crossing: $265 + 2 points
- STOP on a pedestrian in a built up area: $147 + 2 points
- STOP or Park in a disabled marked area without a permit: $441

Please note the School CAR PARK is for STAFF and canteen workers. DO NOT USE the CARPARK to drop off and pick up your children. It is dangerous and a child was nearly hit on a rainy day last week. Walking is a great form of exercise and we can change wet clothes. We cannot give you back a child that is killed.

Leaders Assembly on Monday
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