Welcome to week 3 and to Education Week.

I’d like to congratulate our P&C Executive Committee, as voted by members at last week’s P&C AGM.

President: Jo Arnott
Vice President: Vanessa Miller
Secretary: Lorissa Lindsay
Vice Secretary: Karen Muir
Treasurer: Vanessa Blackmore
Vice Treasurer: Glyn Blackmore

If you have business with the P&C please contact the relevant person, and we’d love to see you at our next meeting, on Wednesday, 13th of August, 2014, at 5:30pm.

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, our HIGH TEA will be on Wednesday, catered by our Kitchen Garden program participants. Please look for your invitation, going home today.

Following our afternoon tea, is our area’s Education Week awards, at Cessnock High School commencing at 4pm. We have nominated students, staff and parent community members for these awards and we would like to congratulate them. These awardees will be recognised in next week’s newsletter.

We have invited potential 2015 enrolments, of pre-school age, to visit us on Friday afternoon for a look at our terrific school. During this afternoon, our students will show visitors the many features of our school and share just a few things that make us stand out from the rest. If you know of children of other ages who’s parents might like to visit, please feel free to extend the invitation.

On Thursday, we will be travelling to Millfield to listen to author/illustrator Gus Gordon. We would like to thank the Paxton Hotel for the loan of their bus, to make our travel to and from easier. Please bring permission notes back by Tuesday please, to enable us to plan our travel methods.

Three of our students are competing in the public speaking competition next week along with many children from our Cessnock area. They will be busy practicing this week.

On Friday, some of our primary students are competing in the Zone section for athletics in both running and relay. We wish them well and know they will represent us with pride.

“Reading to self” using an ipad, lets Cain listen to his skills.....
CLASSROOM NEWS

**Home Reading** - Our students have been enjoying their home reading program, this week they will bring home a sheet to fill out. This is to be completed based on just one of their books. Each week, they will have a different activity to do, and they may choose which of their home reading books to base the activity on.

**Maths** - This week our sub-strand for Infants it is Multiplication and Division for Primary it is Angles. We will also be studying numbers as we do each week.

**Science Infants class** – Last week our K-2 students investigated the critters in our school garden, this week they will be looking at the plants that grow in our school grounds.

**Morning News** – Our topic for this week is “Our Environment”. Our students may choose how to present this, they may bring props to add emphasis to their information or may choose to rely on their verbal skills.

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Library borrowing on Thursday.

Many apologies for library borrowing not happening last week, we had a somewhat busy and unexpected week, with most of our staff away with illness. Children have borrowed today.

We’d like to invite parents and family members to visit us at school for afternoon tea to celebrate Education Week.

**Wednesday**

30th July 2014

1:30 -3pm

Please note: Due to the early start time of the Education Week Awards, we will be finishing our high tea completely at 3pm, as our school staff will be attending the awards, as will some of our school families, and we need to be in Cessnock by 3:45pm.

Thank you for your understanding.

Our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus is on being

RESPONSIBLE.

We will be discussing what this means in a school context.