



## Zig Zag Public School Newsletter

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Term 4 - Week 7

Thursday, 24th November, 2011

### Principal's Report

#### Kellogg's Big Breakfast

Last Friday we held the Big Breakfast in our school grounds. We had guests from Portland Central School, Lithgow High School, Lithgow, Cooerwull and Capertee Public Schools as well as our winner Kathy McNamara in attendance. We had fruit and juice to eat along with our healthy choices of Kellogg's Cereal followed by art activities, karaoke and Country Rugby League skills sessions. Past students and visitors then conducted skills sessions for Zig Zag and Capertee students until morning tea.

#### Car Boot Sale

We had a fantastic day last Saturday with our car boot sale. We had 18 stalls and the weather was kind to us. Apart from a few first-time hiccups, the car boot sale was a success with many stall holders hoping to be able to come again. Thanks to all our parents, grandparents and supporters who cooked, organised and sold on the day. Your support is always appreciated very much!

#### Celebrate Lithgow

Yesterday we travelled to the Recreation Hall at the Showground to perform for our Senior Citizens. Kindergarten and Year 1 played the percussion instruments along to Nursery Rhymes, Years 2, 3 and 4 said a poem about 'Welcome to Australia', Years 5 and 6 played the recorder and the whole school sang 5 songs as a choir. The students loved having the opportunity to perform in front of an audience and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Thanks to anyone who was able to come along and support us.

#### Museum Excursion

On **Friday 2 November** we have our Museum excursion to Sydney. I am asking that all notes and money be handed to the school by **Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> November**. We have informed State Rail we will have school students on the train and they are aware of us. We have had an overwhelming response from parents who would like to join us on the excursion next Friday and I am happy for all parents wanting to come along to join us. Unfortunately we can't accommodate younger siblings on the day.

As we've received a smaller number of free tickets than we have parents attending I will need to ask parents to take any pension cards that you have to get you into the museum for free and if parents wish to attend workshops you will need to pay \$4.40 each. When parents are buying your train tickets for the trip (we buy the students' tickets) ask for return to City Circle.

Please ensure students arrive at Lithgow Railway Station with plenty of time to catch the train as we can't wait for late students. The train leaves at **7.37am**.

I have had some parents approach me regarding students travelling on the train rather than a bus. If you have any concerns about this at all please ring me to discuss them.

#### Christmas Activities

As we are nearing the end of the school year we have many activities still to come. On Tuesday the P & C held a meeting to discuss the **Carols night** where it was decided it will start at **6pm** on **Monday night 12 December**.

To help fill our hamper up I am asking, on behalf of the P & C, for any items we could use for a Christmas hamper. Things might include packets or boxes of food items, puddings, sweets etc. Any donation you can make will be appreciated. This can be left at our front office.

**For more information about ZIG ZAG PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**Visit our website:** [www.zigzag-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.zigzag-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)



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## Books For Sale

We have completed a stock take of books in our Library and have decided that some books have aged and are not as inviting to read as we'd like. We have a stack of books that Mrs Wallace is happy to sell for a small donation of around 20c. If your child would like to buy 1 or 2 books then we'd appreciate your support. They will be available for sale before school each day.

## 2011 Mayor's Christmas Appeal

Lithgow Council is asking for parents and students to donate a small present this year for the aged care facilities in Lithgow. Many of these patients are too ill to leave the facility on Christmas Day or don't have any family to share Christmas Day with and our Lithgow Council Mayor visits the facilities and takes your small gifts. They are asking for wrapped items labelled male or female consisting of non-allergic, personal care items or soft sweets. Other suggestions are available at: [www.lithgow.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lithgow.nsw.gov.au) under the title of "2011 Mayor's Christmas Appeal". These items can be left at the Council Offices or at Zig Zag PS by the end of November – they will be collected on the 1<sup>st</sup> December. On Christmas Day your gift to yourself will be in knowing you have made someone else's day happier.



## Leave

I will be absent from the school on Friday and Monday due to urgent family matters. I will be available on Tuesday 29 November.

## Social Skill for the Week

Each week at assembly we are discussing a social skill with the students. I will include in the newsletter the Social Skill for the week which we would appreciate your support through discussions at home as well also. This week we are talking about: - **Giving a Compliment**

Steps to help you are:

- Decide what you want to tell the other person
- Decide how you want to say it
- Choose a good time and place
- Give the compliment in a friendly way

## Helpers' Morning Tea

Over the course of the year we are fortunate to have many parents and members of our community

that work with the staff at Zig Zag to ensure our students have wonderful opportunities. Next **Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> November** we would like to thank you by holding a morning tea for all volunteers, scripture teachers, P&C members and canteen helpers.

The morning tea will be held at **11.00am**.

Mrs Vicki Burke

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## **CALENDAR**

### Term 4 Week 7

<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Y6 Leaders Day</b> <b>Wallerawang PS</b>
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### Term 4 Week 8

<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Helpers Morning Tea</b>
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>Lunchtime Disco</b> <b>P&amp;C Slushy Day</b>
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	<b>K-6 Excursion to Sydney</b>

### Term 4 Week 9

<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Year 6 Orientation LHS</b>
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### Term 4 Week 10

<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Combine Schools Carols</b>
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Presentation Day</b>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Class Parties</b>
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Last day for students</b>

### Term 4 Week 11

<b>19<sup>th</sup> &amp; 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>School Development Days</b> <b>For Teachers</b>
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## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

**PCYC Lithgow – Gymnastic Open Day** Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 11am-3pm. Come along and bring a friend. One Free Visit.