Dear Parents,

**Canberra Excursion**

As reported last week, Years 5 and 6 recently visited the National Capital Canberra as part of their studies in Human Society and Its Environment (HSIE). This excursion, to a variety of venues in the Capital, including Parliament, is part of the students learning about how democracy and the government in Australia work and its importance to us its citizens. The students participated in education programs at both Parliament House and the War Memorial Museum. I would like to sincerely thank their teachers Mrs Swift, Mrs Moggian and Mr Jones for volunteering the additional time required to provide our students with such a wonderful learning opportunity. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated staff here at SIPP.
Additional photos of this Canberra excursion can be downloaded from our school app.

The Australian Federal Government through the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) provides a subsidy for schools travelling more than 150 kilometres to visit the national capital as part of a civics and citizenship education excursion. Schools must visit Parliament House, Old Parliament House (Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House and/or the National Electoral Education Centre) and the Australian War Memorial, and, where possible, participate in an education program at these institutions.

These excursions are expensive but we consider them important in assisting our students to better understand the process of government. *We would like to acknowledge PACER’s subsidy ($20) per student which helped towards the cost of the excursion.*

**Class Parent Afternoon Tea**
Last Monday afternoon, Mrs Anderson and I enjoyed the opportunity to meet with a few of our class parent representatives to enjoy a ‘hot cuppa’ and discuss upcoming school events and share our enthusiasm for improving the learning opportunities of all SIPPS students.

We will be continuing with this initiative as a way to invite community representatives to engage with us as part of the process for future school planning. Our next meeting will be **Monday 9 September at 2:30pm** in the staffroom.

Another opportunity for parents and carers to be actively involved in the school community to support their children is by attending the regular P&C meetings. These are held on the third Wednesday of every month at **7:30pm**. The next meeting is this **Wednesday 20 September**. It will be held in our staffroom. I look forward to seeing many parents there.

**School Photos –Date Change**
We would like to advise students, parents and carers of a revised date for School Photographs. The new date for School Photos will be **Thursday 11 September 2014**. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Order envelopes have been sent home with full instructions on the outside regarding order/payment options. Please call in to the office if you wish to have a sibling photo taken – a separate envelope is required. Thank you for your understanding.

Best Wishes for a great week
Gillian Tegg

**3G Launches school ipads & Model Ships**
Class 3G tested our ipads and wireless connectivity last week with great enthusiasm. Thank you to Mr Guzman who as our Computer Co-ordinator, has managed the delivery, configuration and installation of the ipads. Students in Years 3 and 4 are already working on their preparation for their upcoming ipad boot camp with Turramurra North PS. This 21st Century learning initiative is one of many we have planned to promote **engaged, authentic, collaborative and connected learning** at SIPPS.
In addition, several versions of Cook’s HM Bark Endeavour sailed into the office foyer last week. These models were made by 3G as part of their HSIE unit on British Colonisation. Great job 3G!

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**Omission from last week.....**

**U.T.S Experience**

On Wednesday the 31st July, our teacher Ms Swift, Ymke, Aryan and I went to the UTS campus located in Lindfield, to share our ideas and suggestions about what should be included in the new High school being built.

Professor Stephen Heppell is in charge of getting ideas for the new high school, and he was keen to find out our opinions and suggestions. He was interested to know five things we do and don’t need in our school and what would make it a really inspiring school. He asked us more questions on the spot and wrote down our ideas. Ymke even had an idea of including a treehouse.

Professor Stephen Heppell showed us some other schools he had visited. I was surprised that one school overseas only had four children with only one teacher. It wasn’t very big and it was really different compared to most other schools overseas. When we finished we got to have chocolate cupcakes and we drove back in Ms Swift’s car.

I had a fun day and I now realise how much planning you have to do when building a school. I had no idea it was going to be so interesting and that so many other schools are different to ours.

By Claudia

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**UTS Experience**

On Wednesday the 31st of July, Mrs Swift, Claudia, Aryan and I travelled in Mrs Swift’s car to the University of Technology Sydney in Linfield to discuss what the new high school was going to look like.

We arrived and took an elevator up to where the meeting was being held. The moment we arrived in the office, Dr Stephen Heppell invited us inside to take a seat; he was very calm and welcoming. There were other school children to share their ideas about what this amazing high school was going to look like. There were lots of different ideas as students and teachers around us brainstormed on a piece of paper what they thought would be best for the school. To stimulate our creativity of what to brainstorm, Dr Stephen Heppell took us through a power point showing his vision and took different and interesting pictures from schools all around the world that he has travelled to.

One of the things that really fascinated me was that in one school there were only four children and they communicated with the outside schools by skype because they were the only children on the island, and they didn’t have any roads. The thing they thought was the most interesting was watching traffic, because they thought it was funny that people ride on the same road every day and get stuck in traffic every day.

I honestly thought that Stephen was very good at communicating with the audience. He asked a few of the children questions to answer on the spot, things like what do you think the bells should sound like? Or what play equipment should we have? He asked me to tell him what ideas I have to be in the environment of the school. I suggested the idea putting a tree house in the trees as an outdoor classroom. Dr Stephen agreed with me and so did some of the other teachers.

After the meeting we thanked Dr Stephen, he offered us these cute little cupcakes and we were off back to school. I learnt a lot from this meeting, not only did I feel like I was helping, but I was learning more and more every minute.

By Ymke
**U.T.S Experience**

On Wednesday 31st of July I went to UTS with Mrs Swift, Claudia and Ymke to help Stephen Heppell make a great High School.

When we entered the University it took a while to get through the UTS but when we arrived to the meeting we were seated on a table with A3 pieces of paper and markers to brainstorm. After we sat down I looked around and saw teachers from schools all around Sydney. Then I realised the professor Stephen Heppell was showing pictures of some schools he had visited from all around the world that had interesting features and rooms. After some questions, we were asked to brainstorm on a piece of paper some ideas of what we would like to change in our school. When we finished our brainstorming and ideas the professor asked us to brainstorm and write our ideas again about what we should add to our school for it to be a better place to get an education. After we finished we read our ideas to the professor. Afterwards we talked with the professor and the students about some cool educational rooms for the school that is going to be made by the professor. When we finished we were asked to brainstorm 3 ideas of what features should be in our school. After we finished every school read all 3 ideas that they had. For our ideas Ymke said that we should have a tree house classroom and I said better furniture and Claudia said moving chairs. After the meeting was finished we had afternoon tea and came back. **By Aryan**

Best Wishes for a great week.

Gillian Tegg
Principal

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**Notes from Office**

- G3 & 4 Excursion to Field of Mars Reserve on Tuesday 2nd September. Permission and excursion fee to be returned via class teacher by Friday 29th August.

- K-2 Excursion to Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Gardens on Thursday 4th September. Permission and excursion fee to be returned via class teacher by Tuesday 2nd September.

- 1C Class Parents are organising a Father’s Day Breakfast on Friday 5th September. The note and order form has been sent home today. If families wish to participate, please return completed form, with money, in sealed envelope as indicated, and place in collection box in office foyer. Please do not combine this payment/order with the school excursions.

- A Child Safety booklet has been sent home to students in Grade K-2. These booklets are issued through the Police Service and have handy hints and ideas for parents.

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**PSSA**

ALL PSSA netball is played at Canoon Courts, South Turramurra.

**Term 3: Soccer**

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## Library

### Book Week 2014

This week we celebrate Australian Children’s Book Week. The slogan is “Connect to Reading”. It is a time to celebrate all the wonderful literature written and illustrated by Australian writers and illustrators available for our students to read and enjoy. At SIPPS we celebrate all aspects of reading and literacy every day.

You might like to visit the official CBCA website to read more about the official winners of the Book Week awards for 2014.


Virginia Allman

Teacher Librarian

### Premier’s Reading Challenge 2014

If you child (Years 3-6) has been independently completing the 2014 PRC please note that:

**All reading records need to be entered online by August 22 for the 2014 Premier’s Reading Challenge. The PRC closes for all students on this date.**

Please see your child’s teacher or myself if you have any issues or questions.

**NOTE:** all students in K-2 have completed the 2014 Premier’s Reading Challenge as part of their school reading program so **nothing** is required from families for these students.

Certificates will be forwarded to the school later in the year acknowledging students who successfully completed the 2014 PRC Challenge.

Virginia Allman

PRC Coordinator

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## P&C

Our next P&C Meeting for 2014 is this **Wednesday 20 August**, and it will be held in the Staff Room 7.30 - 9.00.

All parents and carers are most welcome to attend. Please let me know if there are any items you would like to add to the Agenda below:
Agenda

FORMALITIES
Attendees (present/apologies)
Approval of previous minutes
Communications

REPORTS
President's report
Principal's report
Treasurer's report

SOCIAL/FUNDRAISING/EVENTS
Bare Creek Trail Run update
Father's Day
Working Bee Social/BCTR promotion
Other social events
Year 6 Farewell

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Uniform Shop
Canteen
PR
Tennis Courts
Class Parents
Environment

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Support for Anastasia

Dimitri, Misaki and Anastasia have asked me to give their heartfelt thanks to the school community for its support in raising funds through the fundraising raffle tickets organised by the NSW Primary Schools Sports Association, as well as our coffee fundraiser. In turn, outstanding achievements by our students will always be good for our school, and we wish Anastasia all the best for her tennis tournament in Darwin this week.

Keith Oliver
keitholiver@hotmail.com
SIPPS Tennis Courts available for permanent and casual hire.
To arrange a booking please call Vera Dedijer 0403 500 301 or sippstennis@gmail.com

Canteen

2014 – TERM 3 CANTEEN ROSTER

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Does your child order their lunch?

We now have re-useable lunch order bags available to purchase!

Stickybeaks “Lunch Wallets” are available in black with a green trim. We would like you to consider purchasing one via the uniform shop or from the canteen (at the window) or write it on your next lunch order and your lunch will come in your new Stickybeaks Lunch Wallet! The Lunch Wallets are just $10 each!

Not only will you help us raise much needed funds for a new oven in the canteen! You will also be rewarded with the ease of using the lunch wallet along with helping reduce our paper waste!

**Product features include:**
- Holds a substantial amount of more food inside than brown paper bags.
- Collapsible sides and a Velcro tab that secures the bags in a closed position.
- Sturdy flat base makes them easy to pack and stack.
- Stylish design which folds conveniently to fit in every child’s school bag.
- Clear pocket to display name and class.
- Clear pocket to display order and place money away from your child’s lunch.
- Free name & order tags are available to print from the Stickybeaks website www.stickybeaks.com.au
- Easy to clean. Simply remove base then wipe clean with a damp soapy cloth after each use just like you would your school lunch box. Its that simple!!

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### Uniform Shop Roster Term 3, 2014

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Now is the time to cull those old school uniforms that no longer fit as WE ARE HAVING A SALE!!! Yes, all 2nd hand items will be selling at 50% off!!

On Tuesday 26th August from 2.30pm til about 4pm, come in and shop for some second hand items. It will be cash or cheque only and items are sold AS IS. I do try to determine quality prior to putting items on the racks, but I can only do 'so much', so please inspect items carefully before purchase.

Any uniform donations will be gratefully accepted - our school really benefits from your uniform donations when we on-sell them.

**Sale date - Tuesday 26 August from 2.30 - 4pm....all 2nd hand items 50% off!!!**

See you in the red and green!!

*Amanda Vince*
*SIPPS Uniforms Coordinator*
*0417 083650*
Sunday 2nd November 2014

**HURRY - EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION CLOSES 24TH AUGUST.**

Register online at [www.barecreektrailrun.com](http://www.barecreektrailrun.com)

If you register early you will also have your name on your running bib.

The plans for the run are coming along nicely. We have some fantastic sponsors on board. We have an exciting opportunity for a company to sponsor the race number bibs PLUS the medals which every runner receives. If you work for a company that might be interested we would love to talk further. Please contact Andrew Tong (Tongy) on coaching@trifocus.com.au or 0406677444 urgently.

Like us on Facebook to spread the word amongst your friends. [https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bare-Creek-Trail-Run/154510074618371?ref_type=bookmark](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bare-Creek-Trail-Run/154510074618371?ref_type=bookmark)

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**Community Notices**

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**St Ives Girl Guides**

Would you like to get involved in your community and help girls develop skills for life?

St Ives Guide District is looking for women 18 years and over interested in leadership.

You will be supported in becoming a Leader of Guides: training, mentoring, resources and friendship. Challenge yourself as you enable girls and young women grow into confident, self-respecting, responsible community members.

**Call the Membership Department on 1300 447 548**

**Or to find out more about Guides**

**visit our website:** [www.girlguides-nswact.org.au](http://www.girlguides-nswact.org.au)