From the Principal….

Welcome back to 2016 and the start of another fantastic school year. A huge welcome to our new families also, I hope the transition to Cattai has been a pleasant one for you all. We have had a fairly smooth start to the school year and all of our classes are now getting in to the routines of Term 1.

You may well know by now that we look like retaining 3 classes. The classes and teachers are as follows:

K/1 – Mrs Sohani (formerly Miss Mellefont) and Mrs Maurer

2/3/4 – Mrs Pennycuick

5/6 – Mr Carter and Mrs Sohani

This structure may change next week, depending on numbers, however we look like holding 3 classes and continuing with this structure for the rest of the year.

I look forward to a fantastic year ahead and wish students, parents and staff a happy 2016. We look forward to working with you to create a positive school experience with your child in 2016.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Could I ask that all families make sure that your email address is up-to-date at the front office. A majority of the notes going home this year will be sent via email in the first instance. If you require paper copies, you will need to see Mrs Weatherstone in the front office to collect these. This will allow us to keep printing costs to a minimum. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

CHANGE OF DETAILS

Mrs Weatherstone has this week sent home a note with your child’s contact details etc listed on it. Could you please check these details thoroughly and return to school ASAP to allow us to keep our records up to date.

ICE CREAMS

While it is hot we will look to sell ice creams every day of the week. For the new families to the school Year 6 students sell ice creams at lunch times for 50c. Thank you to the P&C for supplying the ice creams and providing this service to the students of Cattai.

SPORT DAYS

At this stage our main sport day will be on Friday. Students will be learning to play Hockey this term and we have Ty Malouf coming in to teach the students Hockey skills each week. Students will still take part in fitness on other days throughout the week, however this will be up to each classroom teacher’s discretion.

BMX DAYS

BMX days will be Thursday and Friday at lunch time.

UNIFORMS

Linda Hurst has kindly offered to look after the school uniforms this year. She will be in throughout the week to fill orders and these will be handed out each Thursday. Please ensure orders are placed at the office no later than Wednesday each week to avoid delays in filling these orders. Thank you 😊

Black shoes are a part of our school uniform. I have noticed a lot of students wearing coloured shoes to start the year. Coloured shoes are ok on Friday, or specific sport days. However, black shoes should be worn Monday to Thursday. Thank you for helping us to keep our uniform looking great.

LUNCHES

We have two meal breaks throughout the day. Recess is at 11.00am each day and lunch is at 1.45pm. Please ensure that your child has something healthy to eat at each meal break and avoid fatty and unhealthy foods.
Students are also allowed to have a crunch and sip to eat during the morning session. So make sure they have some fruit cut up or something small to nibble on like grapes or strawberries.

CLASS REQUIREMENTS
A list of equipment needed by students was sent home at the end of 2015. It is really important for students to have the correct equipment at school to ensure they engage with learning in the most positive way. If you need a new list please see Maryce in the office and ensure that your child has sufficient materials. Thank you.

SPORTS REPORT
We had a fantastic day at Richmond Pools yesterday. All students were well behaved performed admirably at the carnival. We would like to thank those parents who helped us keep time. Your help was greatly appreciated.

The Small schools’ Swimming carnival will be held next Tuesday 9 February. Students who have progressed through will receive a note today. Could this note please be returned to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

STUDENT TRANSPORT SCHEME—SCHOOL OPAL CARD
Most students won’t need to apply for the Opal Card. The Opal card will be sent to a student’s school automatically at the beginning of 2016. However, you will need to complete an application form if:
- applying for SSTS for the first time
- enrolling in kindergarten
- progressing from year 2 to year 3
- progressing from year 6 to year 7
- changing name, school and/or address
- requesting a new additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.

Application for 2016 School Opal Cards and SSTS passes started from Monday 2 November. For more information please visit www.transportnsw.info/school-students.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK
For all Kinder and new parents to the School
If you would like to come and help in the school – in the classroom or transporting students, you will need to complete a

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK
Kinder parents will have received a copy of this form and will need to complete it with identification. You will need to produce 100 point proof of identity i.e. licence, passport, birth certificate, Medicare Card etc.

The working with children check now lasts 5 years, and the licence check must be renewed each year.

Parents who previously filled out the Working with Children Check who may be asked to transport student will need to have licence and rego sighted this year before transporting students in 2016

THANK YOU
A great big thank you…to the Lehrer, Kinsela and Politis families for taking care of our chooks during the Christmas break.

Matt Carter
Principal

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Pitt Town Pirates Soccer Club

2016 Registrations

We welcome children turning 5 this year, to all ages!
9-16 yr old girls are encouraged to register for our GIRLS ONLY Competitions!

Register and pay online at:
www.myfootballclub.com.au

ALL new PLAYERS must attend a registration day for photos

Registration dates:
Sunday 31st Jan 1pm-3pm
Sunday 7th Feb 1pm-3pm
Monday 8th Feb 6pm-8pm

At the
Pitt Town and District Sports Club
139, Old Pitt Town Rd, Pitt Town

For any enquiries or more information, please see our website:
www.pitttownsoccer.asn.au
or contact:
Anton Raunjak 0411 695 272, araunjak@yahoo.com.au
Melissa Crane 0408494682, Melissacrane74@yahoo.com.au

“A great way for kids to make friends, learn some new skills, learn to be part of a team and most importantly have fun!!”

EAT IT TO BEAT IT – NUTRITION SNIPPET

The simplest way
...to make pineapple sorbet.

On a hot summer’s afternoon, there’s nothing better than some refreshing sorbet. Why not make it yourself? It’s easy, cheap and fun!

Ingredients
440g can crushed pineapple in natural juice, frozen

Method
Roughly chop frozen fruit and place in the bowl of a food processor. Process until fruit becomes granular. Scrape down sides of bowl with a spatula and process again. Repeat 4-5 times until fruit mixture is a smooth, thick and creamy texture. Spoon into bowls and serve immediately with fresh fruit, if desired.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatat.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatat
The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.

Health
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Local Health District
CAKE DAYS ROSTER 2016

Cake day is the 1st Wednesday of every month.

As our school does not have a canteen, the P&C put together this roster each year. Along with iceblocks sales (60c each) in Terms 1 and 4 and our hot lunches twice a term, this gives our children the opportunity to choose and purchase items at school.

We require each family to donate a MINIMUM of 1 dozen cup cakes, muffins, biscuits or slices, to be dropped into the office on your allocated day.

(NO PEANUTS)

If you are unable to supply a cake on the rostered day or if you child has specific allergies or dietary requirements, please call Kim Smith on 4572 8502 or 0419 435 022 on or before the day to ensure the children don’t miss out.

They are for sale at RECESS for the children to buy at 50c EACH.

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Thank you for your support.
Cattai P&C Association

SMITH
Talai Estate
Winery Pizza and
Pub night

Friday the 26th of February, 6:30pm - 12:00pm Unlimited gourmet wood fired pizzas $25 per head. Beer/wine/spirits/soft drinks available at bar prices. Espresso coffee also available.

No BYO, No Eftpos (cash only)

Please book early as numbers are strictly limited.
Call: 45 728 598 or email joroughley@bigpond.com

Due to licensing laws you must be over 18 to attend this venue.

Talai Estate, 748 Wisemans Ferry Rd, South Maroota.
Sunday 7th February 2016

At Hawkesbury Hornets BMX Track

Colbee Park, Bismarck St,
McGraths Hill

This is a great opportunity for new riders, of all ages, to come and ride at the local BMX track.

Coaches are available on the day to help teach the basics of BMX racing.

Stay for our first friendly "Clubbie" for 2016, with racing from 4pm.

2 Sessions:
11.30am & 2.00pm
You choose but please arrive at least 15 minutes prior for registration.
Visit our page for **more details** and all the latest info:

**Hawkesbury Hornets BMX Cycling Club Facebook**

and for all membership enquiries


or call Sheridan on 0428 730 259

*New riders may wish to consider our 4 and 12 month membership options.*