From the Principal…

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the end of the year approaches can I draw to your attention that semester 2 school reports will be sent home on Wednesday 10th December 2014. Please take this opportunity to discuss with your child their progress.

Teachers will be happy to make an appointment to discuss any aspect of the report with you before the end of the year. Please contact the Office to make an appointment.

Our new school plan is taking shape and I would like to thank all the families who have participated in the process. If you would like to be involved please complete the slip which is in this newsletter.

Celebration of Learning

Parents, Carers, Family and Friends,

You are invited to attend our Celebration of Learning presentation for 2014.

Class Awards, Achievement, Academic and Sports awards will be presented at the ceremony. School medals will also be presented to qualifying students and our new Student Leaders for 2015 will be announced.

WHEN:       Wednesday 10th December 2014
WHERE:      The School Hall
TIME:       9.10am

We hope you are able to join us for this special occasion as we celebrate the success and achievements of our students at Ashcroft Public School.

School Information

Notes and Newsletters are available from the office or you can download them from our website at www.ashcroft-p.schools.nsw.edu.au in the Notes Home section. You can also keep up to date by checking out our Ashcroft Public School Facebook page.

Enrolling NOW for Kindergarten 2015...

If you have a child who is turning 5 before 31st July 2015 they are ready to enrol in Kindergarten for 2015.

Enrolling NOW for Preschool 2015...

If you have a child who is turning 4 before 31st July 2015 they are ready to enrol in Preschool for 2015.

Like us on Facebook...
Anzac War Memorial Visit
On Monday the 24th of November, we went to the ANZAC War Memorial in Canberra to learn about the history of the wars in the past and present. We had the opportunity to see items that people had used in war. We also saw weapons, aeroplanes, tanks and the uniforms that men and women wore. During our time there, we learnt about the Victorian Cross, which is the highest badge that soldiers can ever receive. We also learnt about the Australian aeroplanes that had a symbol. We really enjoyed our time there and recommend others to go there and enjoy their time as much as we did.

Zoey Baines, Vaemoana Lilomaiaiva, Jonathan Morel & Ghazi Bajouri

Crunch@Sip - Healthy Eating & Drinking
Our Crunch@Sip Healthy Eating & Drinking competition has now ended, the following students are the lucky winners who have won a $5.00 lunch voucher from our canteen.

Congratulations and great work.
KM - Nawal Marouch
KH - Aaishween Thind
1/2M - Ethan Canfarini
1/2P - Isaac Orji
1/2R - Abbey Canfarini
1/2S - Mia Vailanu
3/4M - Paea Uilou
3/4G - Gabriel Mehana- Lee
3/4K - Destiny Lyons
3/4S - Junior Loto
5/6A - Sylvia Ali
5/6B - Papa Tuileapa
5/6D - Nazirah El-Halbouni

Thank you to all students who took part in this Healthy Eating and Drinking Drive, remember… ‘Keep on making the Healthy Choices’.

Preschool Graduation
On Monday 15th December our Preschool students will be celebrating their 2014 Graduation. Family and friends are invited to attend the Graduation celebrations in our Hall from 9.00am. Students will perform a range of songs and will also receive their graduation certificates followed by a party and fun activities including a visit from someone special to help with our Christmas Raffle draw.

A number of our Preschool students will be attending Kindergarten in 2015 at Ashcroft. We congratulate them on their wonderful time this year at Preschool and look forward to welcoming them to our fantastic school next year.

Reminders of upcoming events...

V8 Students on Track
Tomorrow Friday 5th December selected students will be attending the V8 Supercars Students on Track excursion. Please remember to wear full school uniform including a school hat and bring your lunch, recess, lots of drinks and sunscreen.

We will be leaving school at 8.30am and are hoping to return to school by 3.00pm

K-2 Picnic and Movie
Next Monday 8th December all of our Kindy and Stage 1 students will be attending the end of year Fun Day excursion to the Penguins of Madagascar Movie and a picnic in the park. Please remember to wear full school uniform including a school hat and bring your lunch, recess and drinks.

We will be leaving school at 9.30am and returning before 3.00pm.

3-6 Bowling and Laser Skirmish
Next Monday 8th December all of our Stage 2 and Stage 3 students will be attending the end of year Fun Day excursion to AMF Bowling and Laser Skirmish. Please remember to wear full school uniform including a school hat and bring your lunch, recess and drinks.

We will be leaving school at 9.30am and returning before 3.00pm.

Year 6 Farewell
Next Thursday 11th December our Year 6 students and teachers will be celebrating the final year of their schooling at Ashcroft Public School before moving onto High School next year. The Year 6 Farewell is being held at Liverpool Catholic Club from 6.00pm to 9.00pm. Students will receive their graduation certificates and enjoy dinner and dancing with their fellow students. Parents and family members are welcome to attend and see their child receive their graduation certificates from 8.30pm.
Our Stage 3 classes have been learning about...

This term, Stage 3 students have been learning all about Rainforests. Students used their XO’s to research where rainforests are located and investigated how indigenous people use the rainforest for food, shelter and medicine. They also learnt more about animals and plants found in rainforests and used their creative skills to produce some fantastic rainforest inspired artworks. During our Appreciation unit, students have been learning different ways to respond to books and movies. They have written some fantastic reviews and summaries of texts they have viewed.
Buy uniforms now for 2015
Our Uniform shop is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 8.30am to 9.30am. If you are unable to attend during these times you can pre-order through the Office. All you have to do is complete a payment envelope with your child’s name, class, size and the item required. Then just place it in the payment box at the Office with the correct money enclosed.

Our uniform price list is available from the Office or you can download it from our website www.ashcroft-p.schools.nsw.edu.au in the ‘Our School’ section and then just click on the Uniform tab.

Change of Address & Contact details
Please advise the office if you have changed your address, telephone (home or mobile) number as it is imperative that we have up to date information to allow us to contact parents/carers in the case of illness or emergencies.

Student Health Care Plans 2015
If you have a child who currently has an Individual Health Care Plan or Emergency Response Plan for Severe Asthma, Anaphylaxis or a Health Condition that requires support at school, we will be sending home a draft copy of your child’s Individual Health Care Plan and Emergency Response Plan to be reviewed and updated.

It would be appreciated if these forms are sent back to school as soon as possible.

$ Make a payment
POP, EFTPOS and Credit Card Payments

Ashcroft Public School Planning 2015 - 2017
What do you want educationally for your child?

_________________________________________________________________________________

What skills, knowledge and abilities do you want your child to have when they leave for Year 7?

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Ashcroft Public School
Not Returning or Returning After School Year Begins 2015

My child/children will NOT be returning to Ashcroft Public School in 2015. (Not for Yr6 Students)

Name: ________________________ Year: ____  Name: ________________________ Year: ____
Name: ________________________ Year: ____  Name: ________________________ Year: ____
School attending in 2015: ____________________________________________________________

My child/children will be returning after the start of Term 1 in 2015.

Name: ________________________ Year: ____  Name: ________________________ Year: ____
Name: ________________________ Year: ____  Name: ________________________ Year: ____
Date returning: ___________________________ Year: ____  Reason: ____________________________

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