2014 Walkathon – What’s It All About?

The major fundraising activity for the Penrith Public School P & C Association this year is a WALKATHON. It will be held on Friday, 22nd August.

The students will walk around a course and complete as many laps as they can in a given period of time. They will be sponsored for the number of laps completed. For example if ten (10) laps are completed and a sponsor has pledged twenty cents (20c) per lap, then the sponsor owes $2.00.

The maximum number of laps to be walked by a student is 15.

Each lap that the student walks will be marked off by their teacher, on a card. You will then have a record of how many laps they have walked, and how much needs to be sent in to school.

The students will wear mufti but their clothing needs to be appropriate for the activity. Good walking shoes are vital for the day.

Collection of all pledged money will finish on the last day of term, Friday, 19th September. Donations can be brought in before the walkathon, if you wish.

Stage 1 and Early Stage 1 will be walking in the morning session (9.30), whilst Stage 2 and 3 will be walking straight after recess (11.50).
Both walkathons will last for one hour.

All parents are welcome to walk with their children.

This is a fun activity that is health centred for all walkers, so come and join in.

**The P&C has organised that there will be prizes for students who return their sponsorship money.** Each student who returns their money and sponsorship form before the end of term will get a ticket to be in the draw to win a $50 Coles Myer voucher; there will be one voucher for each stage.

Please make sure that children only ask family and friends to sponsor them and not strangers.

Phil Ward
Relieving Principal

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**Library - BOOK WEEK**

This week is our annual celebration of books and reading. The students K-6 have been investigating the shortlisted books over recent months. You may have seen newspaper coverage of Australia’s award-winning children’s book titles last weekend.

The theme this year is “Connect to Reading”. Classes have been creating displays for the school library, based on the shortlisted books or the theme. Parents and caregivers are welcome to pop in before or after school to see these displays.

Thank you to the teachers who have worked with their classes to produce these exciting displays.

**MS Readathon**

Students interested in participating in this year’s MS Readathon (during the month of August) should request a form from Mr McLean. All books read for the Premier’s Reading Challenge this month can also be counted as books read for the Readathon, but there is no definitive book list.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

The PRC finishes up at the end of this month. Students in K-2 have all sent their results to the library. Students in Years 3-6 should make sure that their online reading records are up to date by the end of this week please.

Congratulations to all students who have completed the challenge.

Ian McLean
Teacher-Librarian

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**Penrith Cup Touch Football**

On Friday 8th August, Penrith Public School was represented in the Penrith Cup Touch Football Gala day at Hunter Fields by both junior and senior girls teams.

All of the girls displayed excellent sportsmanship, team work and competitive spirit throughout the day. The junior team won all of their games and the senior team only lost one game.
All of these girls were wonderful ambassadors for our school and they should be proud of their effort and behaviour.


Mrs Footit

**Girls Soccer Team**

Last Wednesday, 13th August, our Girls Soccer team played in the regional final at Seven Hills. While we were not successful the team has shown great enthusiasm, sportsmanship and improved skills to reach this final.

I would like to congratulate them on a great effort and thank all the parents who supported them throughout the year.

Mr Emmingham

Sports Organiser

**Silver Certificates**

Congratulations to the following students who have earned Silver Awards:

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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS are 8.30am – 3.15pm
Canteen News - **NO** lunch orders will be accepted after 9.30am

Lunch orders are to be written out and placed at the canteen before morning lessons. There is definitely no credit given.

Phone orders will not be taken.

Please note that **NO** lunch orders will be accepted after 9.30am. This is to enable the canteen staff enough preparation time to fill orders for recess and lunch.

Thank you for your understanding.

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**Penrith Public School Group Photo Orders**

**THERE’S ONLY ONE WEEK TO GET YOUR ORDERS IN!**

Envelopes for ordering are available from the office.

Payment is by cash or cheque (payable to The School Photographer).

Photos are $14.00 each
- 2 for $26.00
- 3 for $36.00
- 4 for $44.00
- 5 for $50.00

Additional orders over 5 photographs are $10.00 each.

This discount is only available per family order.

**Please return all orders to the office by**

**Monday 25th August 2014**

Photographs available are:
- Boys Dance Group
- Junior Dance Group
- Senior Dance Group
- Councillors
- Library Monitors
- House Captains
- Year 6
- Stage 2 Dance Group
- SRC

**Father’s Day Stall (Friday 5th September)**

Don’t forget to send in a gift for the Father’s Day stall. The aim is to have at least one gift for each child to give to their dad.

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These items are only ideas, **ANY** donations will be greatly appreciated.

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School Banking
Students can bank every Tuesday morning before school, under the COLA (near the canteen), 8.30 – 9.15.

Clothing Pool
The school Clothing Pool is open every Wednesday morning before school, in our hall.
If you have any suitable uniform items that your children have grown out of, please consider donating them to the Clothing Pool. They will be gratefully accepted.

Athletics Carnival Ribbons
We will be awarding the ribbons from our School Athletics Carnival at our next whole school assembly, Friday 22nd August at 11.50.

Dance Groups
Doing us proud, our four dance groups will be performing at The Joan next week. This is their second set of performances.
I know that those people who have bought a ticket for these performances will have their socks knocked off by our dancers’ talent.

SPECIAL SWIMMING SCHEME
Perhaps one of the most important skills we can give our children is the ability to swim. Our school has been allocated two weeks of swimming lessons in term 4 of this year. The swimming scheme will be offered from 20th October until the 31st October.
The cost of this important activity is $85.00. This includes transport and admission to the pool for the lessons.

Excursions and Visiting Shows (Incursions)
There are a number of excursions and incursions coming up over the remainder of this semester. We have done our best to ensure that they are of great educational merit and that they offer good value.
We encourage you to support these aspects of your child’s learning.
Please contact us if you are having difficulties with this matter.
Bus Shopping Tour 2014

School fund-raiser  bargains    treats
Christmas presents  homewares  clothing  manchester

Date: Saturday 25th October

Cost: $55 Including morning tea and delicious lunch and prizes

Get some friends together and register your interest

NOW - places will be filling quickly

Send a $20 (non-refundable) deposit to the office.

It’s lots of fun and there is some good shopping to be had!

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Bus Shopping Tour

I/We would love to be included in the Bus Shopping Tour 2014.
I include $20 per person deposit and understand that the balance must be paid by Friday, 12th September 2014

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Choose your Tuesday Meal Deal Special for just $3.50!
1. 5 Chicken Crackles or 5 chicken nuggets + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper
2. 3 Hash browns + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper
3. A Fresh Ham, Cheese and Tomato Sandwich + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper
4. A Fresh Chicken, Cheese and Tomato Sandwich + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper

Clothing Pool
Open every Wednesday
8.45am - 9.15am
Penrith Public School
Calendar

**Important Dates**

**TERM 3**

**2014**

**AUGUST**
22  Walkathon
26  Last day for payment for Stages 2 and 3 for Blue Mountains Crossing
    P&C meeting 6.30pm
27  “Brainstorm”
29  Blue Mountains Crossing – in-school performance - Stage 2

**SEPTEMBER**
3   Last day for payment for ES1 for excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm
5   Father’s Day stall
8   Stage 3 camp to Berry
10  ES1 excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm
12  Stage 3 campers return
19  Last day of term 3

**OCTOBER**
7   All students return to school for term 4
9   Stage 2 students overnight camp to Mowbray Farm
10  Stage 2 campers return
20  Swimming school commences
31  Swimming school concludes

A copy of this newsletter is also available on the school website along with other school related information [www.penrith-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.penrith-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

Are You Ready For The **WALKATHON**?