From the Head of Junior School
Mr Chris Jackman

Year 5 and 6 Camp
The Year 5 and 6 students had a wonderful time last week on their annual Outdoor Education Camp to Newnes in the Wollemi National Park. I was very impressed by the student’s initiative and willingness to participate in all of the camp activities. I would like to thank the class teachers, the GAP Students and Mr Siede, Mr Gardiner, Mr Green and Mr Goodlet for their assistance with the camp.

Monday Afternoon Sport for Year 3-6 Students
Please note that Monday afternoon sport is compulsory for Year 3 – 6 students. If your child cannot participate because they are involved in another sport please email me seeking an exemption from sport for your child.

Junior School Assemblies
All parents are welcome to attend Junior School assemblies. In the warmer months they are conducted on the Outdoor Assembly area and during the colder months we move into the Kemmis Building. Assemblies begin at 9.00am.

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Important Dates for the Calendar
- 24/10/14 Pre-Kindergarten 3 & 5 Day Orientation Day
- 28/10/14 Year 3 & 4 Waste Management Centre Excursion
- 29/10/14 Kindergarten 2015 Information Night

Uniform Shop News
Year 6 Students going into Year 7 in 2015.
Don’t forget to make a uniform shop booking to organise your new uniform items for Year 7. Appointments are open now until the end of November.

Year 4 Girls going into Year 5 in 2015
You will need to make a uniform shop appointment to be fitted for your kilt and tie for Year 5.

Year 4 Boys going into Year 5 for 2015
You will require a new tie for Year 5.
(No appointment necessary to purchase tie)

Please phone Lizzy Moller on 6332 7303 to make an appointment

Please note the Uniform Shop will be closed from Monday, 10th November to Friday, 14th November 2014.

Cricket shirts are now in stock in Uniform Shop
PreKinder 5 have been exploring ideas of giving - doing something special for others, as well as the digraph th and weighing and measuring mass. We have made thumb prints on trees, thick and thin painting, feather painting, feather counting and also weighing and balancing toys and natural materials. In our book, A Life Like Mine by UNICEF, we are learning what children overseas play, eat, how they live and even how they get water. The children have been grinding wheat with a mortar and pestle and are realising we can be thankful for the food we have and how tasty and easy our food is to prepare. We remembered early in the year how Fynn donated her long ponytail to the Alopecia Foundation. The children are finding secret ways to help others at school and home so look out for some nice surprises. We look forward to the Life Education Van’s visit next week. Next week we are also going to be doing some jobs at home to raise money to buy presents for children overseas through the TEAR foundation. We will choose together but some great ideas may be a chicken or to send a child to pre-school for a year (both $5).

The mega blocks were a huge hit with everyone this week.

Archie, Eliza and Lily worked together to balance tiles on the scales.

Archie, Hayden and Phoenix made fabulous thumb print trees.

Fynn reminded us of many ways that she helped others.

Thick and thin painting brushes make interesting effects.

Eliza, Grace and Sian worked hard to grind the wheat.

Archie, Harry and Chaise made interesting patterns with feather painting.

Chaise enjoyed a very tricky rhyming match puzzle.

Eliza, Grace and Sian had a surprise visit from Bx City Council with his colouring in first prize package. Well done Charlie.

Grace threaded straws onto feathers to match the numbers at our finger gym table.

Harry’s book showed us how being thankful for little things can brighten our lives.
FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Rev. Tony Card

Then the people rejoiced because these had given willingly, for with single mind they had offered freely to the Lord. (1 Chronicles 29:9, NRSV)

Congratulations and thank you to everyone who contributed to the Operation Christmas Child appeal this year. On Sunday an enthusiastic band of parents and students gathered to pack 190 boxes which were taken to Sydney on Monday, (see the photos).

A key part of our gift to these children is funding the costs to get the gifts to them. It is pointless getting a gift for someone far away if we don’t send it to them. It costs $9 to send a shoebox to a child. This sounds like a lot but when we consider what that $9 funds it represents excellent value. After delivering our boxes to the sorting centre they are checked and packed into cartons of like gender and age group to allow for efficient distribution. Whilst the sorting centre is mainly used for only a few months of the year, commercial leasing arrangements mean that the rent must be paid even during the down time. The cartons are packed into containers and sent across the Asia Pacific region. The corrugated tin shacks that line the dusty dirt track cutting through the heart of Viel Thom expose the village’s poverty. Of all the communities in the region, Viel Thom is the poorest. While most of the men in the village are handicapped former soldiers, now retired because of their disabilities, the women of the village farm rice, or tie hay to make thatch to build homes. Samaritan’s Purse has worked in Viel Thom providing the village with some of its most basic needs: water filters through local partners, a school for the children of the community, and support for the village’s men.

With every blessing, Rev. Tony Card
Join WIRES to make a REAL difference in YOUR local environment.

WIRES Central West is holding an introductory Rescue and Immediate Care Course (RICC) on 8-9 November 2014 at All Saints’ College, Bathurst.

The cost is $80 and includes WIRES membership, manual, morning and afternoon tea and a lot of information.

A fundraising sausage sizzle will be held for lunch.

For more information or to register your interest please email: cwwires@hotmail.com

Please note you must be over 18 to join WIRES.
Fundraising Trivia night
Orange Ex-Services Club
24 Oct '14 @ 7pm

$20 per head - includes canapés

Help us to raise money for the ongoing care of our precious and unique wildlife here in the Central West and have fun doing it!

Tickets available from Jane on 0411 186 683 or from Orange Ex-Services Club.

Tables and teams of 10.