Special reminders:
Last day of Term 3 is Friday 18 September.
Students return Tuesday 6 October.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Dear Parents and Friends of Cawdor PS

The past two weeks have been filled with more wonderful school events and achievements. Congratulations to the boys and girls who represented Cawdor at the Premiers Spelling Bee and the Greater Sydney Public Speaking Competition. We are proud of their efforts and enthusiasm in representing the school. Special congratulations go to Troy Sitkowski who came 2nd in the public speaking...an excellent achievement.

Last Wednesday three of the senior girls—Scarlett Crimmins, Alexis Madrill and Bella Mastroieni—took part in the Camden Community of Schools Showcase. The dance, which the girls choreographed, was beautiful and their parents and I were so proud of them on the night. Many thanks go to Mrs Mastroieni who organised some outfits for the girls and met us at a very crowded McDonalds to do the girls’ makeup and have dinner with us.

Tomorrow the Stage 2 students will be heading to Sydney for an excursion with Mr Willcocks and Mrs Napoleone. Their day will include a visit to the Museum of Contemporary Art for an Aboriginal art workshop and an historic walking tour of The Rocks where they will dress in period costume. The children are very excited about their day which will provide them with some valuable and unique learning experiences in their unit of work on the early history of Australia.

The night at McDonalds and disco last week were both very well supported by our community and again we thank all of our families for participating in and assisting with the events.

During the holidays the teachers will be taking part in professional learning activities on a School Development Day on Thursday 24 September. This day will replace the final SDD of next term, Friday 18 December and the school will be closed on this day.

I would like to thank everyone for an amazing term. I wish you all a very relaxing and enjoyable Spring holiday and look forward to our final term for 2015.

Kind Regards
Ms Sharon Ihlein
Principal
Mufti Day

To celebrate the end of another busy term we will be having a mufti day on Friday 18 September. Please remember to wear your SPORT SHOES though, as there will be normal Friday sports activities.

At lunchtime the SRC will be running a 'radio broadcast' and there will be lots of fun and free games, dancing and quizzes.

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Well done to our Spelling Bee representatives, Skye, Wyatt, Flinders and Lachlan who competed at the Regional Spelling Bee last week at Thomas Acres PS.

Our Public Speaking representatives, Troy and Skye who also competed last week at Buxton PS.

Special congratulations to Troy, who was runner-up in the Greater Southern Sydney Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition, a wonderful achievement.

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New procedures for Newsletter and notes distribution

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Our annual School Disco, held last Thursday night, was a great success. The girls from Footsteps did a fabulous job with the music and dancing, and had all the kids participating and having lots of fun. Thank you to the parents who assisted on the night with the BBQ and to the teachers for giving up their evening to supervise the children.

2016 Enrolments
Enrolments and classes for 2016 are now being finalised. Parents are asked to forward enrolment forms to the school office ASAP if you have not already done so. Please advise any family and friends who are considering enrolling their children at Cawdor PS next year to get their applications in as soon as possible.

“PIXELS” (PG)
on Monday 21st September (first day of school holidays)
Ticket order form on school website

The Woolworths Earn and Learn campaign has now finished. Now it’s time to send in your sheets or any loose stickers so that we can bundle them up and post them off for counting. Please send them in to the school office before FRIDAY THIS WEEK. Thank you to everyone for collecting them and sending them in. When our sheets have been tallied we will be able to choose some great classroom resources from Garden News

We are continuing to plant in our Sensory garden, and would love any cuttings or seedlings from your gardens of suitable sensory plants. The children really enjoy our special ‘touch, sight, taste and smell garden’. So do the butterflies.........

Notice Board
Macarthur Children’s Developmental Clinic’s Speech Pathologists at Narellan are offering FREE screening services for preschool and school aged children in their clinic. The Speech Pathologist informally assess speech development, receptive and expressive language and literacy skills. Bookings are essential as places are limited. Please contact on 4648 0837, or by email on admin@macarthurcdc.com.au

Remember to check out the noticeboard in the parent carpark for holiday programs and activities happening in the local area.
Special thanks to Mrs Erin Christmann and Masters Home Improvements at Gregory Hills for the donation of 500 paint sponges to our art room.

CAWDOR PS

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS:

◊ Quality, innovative teaching
◊ Creative and engaging learning
◊ Enhanced student wellbeing and mindfulness

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Week 10
Mon 14 Sep       Footsteps 2pm
Tue 15 Sep       Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) Sydney Excursion
Wed 16 Sep       9am Assembly: Year 1
Thu 17 Sep       Footsteps 9am
Fri 18 Sep       LAST DAY TERM 3— Mufti and SRC Radio Broadcast; CANTEEN CLOSED

STUDENTS RETURN TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER