At the end of this term we say farewell to Mrs Kalgovas, who has been with us for the last 18 months as part of our Priority Schools funding. On behalf of the community I would like to thank Mrs Kalgovas for the time and effort she gave to our school. In particular I would like to acknowledge the dedication and support she showed towards keeping our Reading Recovery program alive. Without her willingness to take on Reading Recovery, many of our Year 1 students would not have received



the additional reading support that they needed. I know that this program has made a huge difference to those students, and it is greatly appreciated by their parents. I would like to take this opportunity to wish Mrs Kalgovas a very happy and successful return to Thomas Acres Public School, and hope that she takes with her many fond memories of her time here at Edensor Park.

While we are on the topic of thanking people, may I thank you – our school community, for the ongoing support that you have offered the school throughout the year. This has been a very disruptive year, with all the building works going on and relocation of classes. Your support has given a great deal of stability to the staff and students throughout this process and is greatly appreciated. We look forward to working with you next year, with your continued support, in an exciting and stable year. Please don't forget to join us for our Christmas Concert and Presentation Day next week. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at these two major celebrations.

School finishes for all students on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2010. The 2011 school year begins on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January for all students going into Year 1 to Year 6. Our new Kindergarten students will join us on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February. This will be a very exciting time for everyone. The school will be open on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011 for parents who wish to purchase new uniforms, or for new enrolments.

Please stay safe over the holiday period, and have a happy time together over Christmas and the New Year celebrations. We would love your support in keeping our school safe and secure over the holiday break. If you have any concerns about the security of our school during the holidays, please contact 1300 880 021.

K. de Falco

**Principal** 

### Principal's Awards

#### K۷

Vince Florio—Task 10

Amelia Hovilia—Yellow Spelling Wizard

Amelia Hovilai—Blue Spelling Wizard

Amelia Hovilai-Pink Spelling Wizard

Brendan Tran—Yellow Spelling Wizard

Brendan Tran—Blue Spelling Wizard

Brendan Tran—Green Word Wizard

Alannah Greska—Green Word Wizard

Daniel Abbasi—Task 10

Taylah O'Toole—Blue Word Wizard

Daniella Grima—Green Word Wizard

Daniella Grima—Yellow Spelling Wizard

Chloe Athanasiou—Silver Mathematics Award

Daniel Ramirez—Blue Word Wizard



#### KM

Joshua Talevski—Green Spelling Wizard Jennifer Marano—Pink Spelling Wizard Chelsea Robinson—Green Spelling Wizard

#### 2C

Ricky Hermiz—30 Tasks Antun Lucic—50 Tasks Benny Simamora—100 Tasks Cathy Ninh—90 Tasks



#### 1/2G

Aaron Ly—Tasks 50 & 60
Victoria Scott—Green Spelling Award
Jemma Vogiatzis—Task 20
Alex Portokallis—Task 10
Jake Razov—Addition Challenge Award
Jake Razov—Task 40

#### 3/4D

Jardelliah Papalii—Silver Mathematics Award

#### **1S**

Rosina Carbone—Completing Addition Pyramid Challenge in 4 minutes

#### **Whooping Cough**

There has been a recent increase of whooping cough (pertussis) among primary-school-aged children and a modest increase in high schools.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough caught at school can spread to younger brothers and sisters at home and can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and is worse at night. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children.

- Children with symptoms should see a GP.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken five days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades. If your school-aged child has younger siblings, it's a good idea to check that they are up to date with their vaccines.

More information at www.health.nsw.gov.au

# Cut Nathan's Hair and raise money for the Cancer Council

\$2
per ticket
for a chance
to win the
right to cut the
pony tail off!!



Buy your tickets from the Yr 6 students at recess and lunch each day until Friday, 10/12/2010, when the winner will be drawn and Nathan will lose his curls!!

- Nathan has to have short hair to start high school next year.
   He would also like to support the Cancer Council.
- 5/6M have come up with the brilliant idea of raffling the rights
  to cut his pony tail off, and donating all money to the Cancer
  Council, thus making all of Nathan's dreams come true!!
- For just \$2 per ticket, you have a great chance to snip Nathan's curls off!

Please help us to support this very worthy cause. \$2 per ticket!!

Thank you in advance to Mrs Nim who has offered to straighten the hairdo after the pony tail has been snipped, and make Nathan look very handsome!

	CLASS AWARDS	PEER AWARDS	Aussie of The Month Nominees	SPORT
X	Joshua Talevski Jennifer Marano	Natalija Bobanovic	Jennifer Marano	
K	Amelia Hovilai Dylan Soliman	Chloe Athanasiou	Vince Florio Daniella Grima	
15	Andrew Gardner, Tibet Vongphakdy, Halyna Nguyen, Anders Yousef	Gabriella Florio	Paul Younan Isabella Azis	۱ Kristian Jurisic—Dance
1/2G	Isabella Puglisi, Paris Tran, Kearly Simpson, Alanah Nicholas	Dre Haghyanus	Paris Tran, Alana Nicholas Kearly Simpson	Megan Duong—Dance
2C	Jon Vogiatzis, Winston Le, Jake Pasnin, Sarah Lewis	Winston Le	Jon Vogiatzis	Antun Lucic—Basketball
3F	Samantha Carr, Ethyn Toon, Mel Lim, Dragon Soumpholphakdy	Mathew Petkovic	Sarah Picciotto Mathew Petkovic	Charla Karakaya—Basketball
3/4D	Sue Tran, Chelsea Pham, Joshua To, Brandon Grima	Mack Nguyen	Cindy Huynh, Houston Le, Sue Tran	Cindy Huynh—Skateboard Soccer
4R	Sarah Walsh, Jessica Veljanovski, Brandon Inu	Jessica Veljanovski	Sarah Walsh	
5W	Emilija Josevska	Sheridan Greska	Angelica Soumpholphakdy	Luke Topic—TBall
2/6M	Christian Maran, Leilana Ngalu, Natalie Kiryakos, Johnny Huynh	Selin Gogebakan	Sabrina Chiriano, Nathan Ibrahim Gina Syromahos, Shinae Caruso,	
<b>6K</b>	Danyon Wagner, Jaica Alvarado, Jessie Morris, Samantha Neron	Lisa Cammareri	Jennifer To	Sina Ngalu—Oztag

# Aussie of the Month Winners



















# YR 4 C.A.R.E.S

On 25th November, 4R and 4D went on the best excursion of their whole life. We went to a place in Bass Hill called CARES (Community and Road Education Scheme). It was a boiling day until we got into the bus. The bus was so cool and refreshing. It took a long time to get there but it was worth the drive. Everyone was so excited. The place looked like a jail because everything was locked up just like a jail. We met two real police and their names were Amanda and Tony who introduced themselves to us. Amanda gave us each a colour to make up

the equal groups. I was in the orange group. There were three courses. They were the road course, the skill course and watching videos. My best was the road course because there were real traffic lights. We all got a licence with 12 points on them. If you lost all twelve points you couldn't go on the bikes for the rest of the day. When we went to the skill course, it was cool because we had a race to see who could go the slowest. It was cool because it was so hard to keep your balance whilst going really slow. I won in my group. When we watched the videos it convinced many people to wear their helmets at all times when riding their bike because it could save your life. After having an exciting day at CARES, sadly we had to go back to school, but luckily, we hopped back into the cool and refreshing bus to cool down for another half an hour. We all got back to school just in time after having a wonderful day at CARES.

REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR HELMET AT ALL TIMES WHEN YOU'RE RIDING YOUR BIKE!

By: Jovana Kolar—4R

We went to CARES to learn about road safety. When we arrived there we were split into three groups. There were two senior constables who looked after a group each, and Mr Ramirez and Miss Dragicevich looked after the third group. We were also divided into groups according to who could or couldn't ride a bike. Those who couldn't ride a bike were given tricycles so that it would be easier to balance. Some of us got brand new tricycles. The tricycles were really easy to ride. There was a bike riding skills course where you had to ride the bikes around road cones. I found this really easy. We had a bike race to see who was the slowest rider. I was the winner in the

tricycle group. The bike track had stop signs, roundabouts, traffic lights and pedestrian crossings. They built this track to teach us the importance of road safety. We had to follow all the road rules on the bike track because if you don't you might crash or cause another accident.

We watched a couple of videos about road safety. It showed what to do when we are on the road. Bicycle riders need to indicate when turning, always look before you actually go, just like our parents do when driving a car. We also need to know how to choose a good helmet, and you must always wear a helmet when riding your bike.



# EXCURSION

Mr Ramirez also told us some stories of people who had crashed on their bikes. If we are not careful when we ride our bikes, we could be injured or die. The story I found the scariest was about a boy named Jason who was about 11 years of age. One day Jason when for a bike ride to his friend's house. The street that he lived on went downhill and at the end of the street there was a T-intersection. Jason started to go too fast down the hill. When he tried to brake, they didn't work. Then he realised there was a bus in front of him. The bus



driver tried to swerve out of the way but it was too late. Jason had already gone through the bus window. Luckily he survived. I thought this story was really scary because when you ride your bike dangerously, chances are you're going to get hurt or even die.

Did you know that wearing a cap underneath your helmet is bad for you? It is bad because if you crash, the metal button from your cap can go into your head and cause an injury. This is weird but true.

My favourite part of the CARES excursion was riding on the bicycle track. I enjoyed it because you get a taste of what it really feels like to drive a car. I would love to go back there again because it was fun and it was a really nice place to learn about road safety.

By: Brandon Inu-4R



On Thursday, 25th November, 4D and 4R went to the CARES facility at Bass Hill. We were involved in activities such as skills tests, road tests and watching educational videos. The skills test was all about signals and when to use them. The road test involved taking your bike onto a pretend road and the educational videos told us about tragic accidents and how to be safe on the road.

The best part of the day was riding a bike! There were lots of cool bikes and tricycles to choose from.

But, you had to obey the road rules or you would lose demerit points ... That was the sad part.

At recess and lunchtime we got to go on the equipment and play with the balls. It was great fun just hanging out with your friends. Then it was time to go and almost everyone was upset about this!

By Zane Droscher—3/4D

# Dates to Remember ,7 5

#### **December**

6th : Parent Helpers Morning Tea

: Christmas Concert - 11:30 am





8th : Presentation Day - 9:30-10:45,

: Yr 6 Farewell - St Johns Park Bowling Club, 5:30 p.m.

15th : Last day of term!



BACK TO SCHOOL



2011

Jan 31st: Classes commence for Yrs 1-6

Feb 1st: Kindergarten commences

We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday!

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