Dear Plumpton PS Community,

I continue to be grateful for the amazing staff at Plumpton Public School.

Our teachers and staff go above and beyond the call of duty to provide the best care for our students. Not only in the many hours spent preparing lessons and seeing to their needs, the additional hours they dedicate to organising sporting carnivals, PSSA, school sport, dance, choir, gardening, arranging excursions, awards and special presentations, charities and fund-raising, liaising with the local high school, preparing for special events, arranging thank-you morning teas – and the list goes on and on and on. So much of this goes by without acknowledgement. They are a great team.

We are student-centred here at Plumpton Public School.

Students: The teachers and staff do all of this because they want the very best for you. Make sure you take the time to thank them for all they do.

Harmony Day and National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

This Friday 21st March is Harmony Day, the day each year we celebrate diversity and encourage harmony between all who make up Australian society (see [www.harmony.gov.au](http://www.harmony.gov.au))

This year, Harmony Day coincides with the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence.

The website [http://bullyingnoway.gov.au/](http://bullyingnoway.gov.au/) has a lot of information for parents and carers about bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence in schools as well as information, ideas and activities for students. It is well worth a look for parents and students who have concerns or are looking for solutions.

Students will be taking part in activities in their classes throughout the day.

ANTI-BULLYING INFORMATION SESSION

Parents are invited to attend a presentation of the Plumpton P.S. anti-bullying strategy.

WHEN: 9:00am Friday 4th April
SCHOOL PHOTOS
The photographer has been booked in for Thursday, 27th of March. Please remember full school uniform – and very best smiles!

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Maureen Johnson
Principal
Don’t forget: “Be on time at 5 to 9!”

REPEAT ITEMS:
SCHOOL HOURS & DUTY OF CARE
There seems to be an increasing number of children being dropped off in the playground before 8:30am AND also children waiting to be picked up well after the bell at 2:55pm, some as late as 3.20pm.

Can I remind you that there is no supervision provided before the first morning bell at 8.30am. In addition, staff are quite often unavailable to supervise children after 2.55pm (other than supervision of bus lines) as they are participating in school planning, preparing lessons for the next day, attending professional learning or committee meetings, or meeting with parents.

We do understand that on the odd occasion, there may be genuine reasons for children to be here before 8:30am or not collected until well after 3pm. Please ensure you contact us if this occurs. However, if this is a regular occurrence you should be accessing the before and after school care centre. There is one located right here within the school. Please ring 9675 5299 for more information.

SRC REPRESENTATIVES
Congratulations to the following students who were voted to be the SRC Representatives for their class.

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These students will be presented with an SRC Badge at an upcoming assembly.

Ms Katon, Mr Tasker and Miss Alexander
SRC Co-ordinators
BLACKTOWN PSSA WEBSITE

Blacktown PSSA has a new improved website. It contains draws, rules, results and other useful information.

Currently the results of the swimming carnival are there, as well as the draws for the current competitions.

The website address should be very easy to remember: www.blacktownpssa.com

SWIMMING TRIALS AND ZONE CARNIVAL.

On Tuesday 25th March, Matthew Gentles, Mia Friesendorff, Nicholas Penney, Danielle Byron, Emma Wilson, Katie Toogood, Ebony Furneyvall, Mackenzie Collier, Mikayla Cleasby, Ashleigh Eastham, Kelly Gentles, Hope Beetson, Shaneel Kumar and Amy Brines went to Nirimba Pool for the Zone Swimming Trials. Each student should be congratulated for their effort, enthusiasm and sportsmanship on this day.

Students that had a qualifying time and went to the Zone carnival on Wednesday 5th March were Mia Friesendorff, Nicholas Penney, Katie Toogood, Mikayla Cleasby and Amy Brines. At this carnival they represented our school with pride and swam their personal best. Congratulations on your performance!

A special thank you to all parents, grandparents and caregivers that came to support their child or children on each of these days or helped with timekeeping. It was much appreciated.

Leanne Katon and Sue Devlin
Swimming Trial Organisers

SCHOOL PROCEDURES & REMINDERS

PAYMENTS

All payments for excursions, camp, activities etc must be paid by the advised closing date and given to the class teacher. Please ensure you have enclosed the correct money (no change will be given) in an envelope clearly marked with child’s name, class, activity and amount. Sorry we do not supply envelopes.

P&C NEWS

Our AGM was held on Monday night where our 2014 committee was voted in.

President-Idette Mannell.
Vice President-Sharon Rowlands.
Secretary- Tracey Emanuel.
Treasurer-Sue Barrand/Jim Ball
Uniforms-Pam Williams/Justine Crozier.

Big thanks to our outgoing president Jenny Wingfield for all the work she has put in over her years as president. And welcome to our new president Idette.

Even though these positions have been filled we are always looking for new members to bring some fresh ideas and lend a hand. Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings.

Due to school holidays our next meeting will be held on 19th May at 5pm in the staff room.

Uniform shop
Monday and Thursday 8.30-9am and 2.30-2.55pm
CASH ONLY
# PLUMPTON VACATION CARE PROGRAM
## April 2014 MAIN EVENTS

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**PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY MONDAY 7TH APRIL**

Please contact the centre on 9675 5299 if you have any questions.

*We look forward to sharing in some holiday fun with your children.*

**IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER:**

- Please bring a hat for outdoor play.
- Children will need to bring morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and snacks. Food is not provided during Vacation Care.
- Lunch is occasionally eaten while we are out on excursions. Please do not pack hot lunches on these days.
- Children are permitted to bring DS, iPods and other electronic devices. Staff take no responsibility for these items. Games and music must be age appropriate.
- Children are encouraged to wear enclosed shoes and shirts with sleeves.
- Please advise staff if your child will be absent for a day you have booked in for.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOOD PYRAMID WHEN PACKING YOUR CHILDS LUNCH!**