Dear Parents & Caregivers,

It has been an extremely busy term. We are all very excited about the talent quest being held tomorrow at school – Plumpton’s Got Talent! Please make sure you take the time to read our school newsletter each fortnight.

**OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

Plumpton P.S. has a school uniform policy which has been developed in partnership with the community. This policy requires all students to wear the full school uniform.

A reminder to families that the uniform policy requires all students to wear black school shoes, in laceup, buckle or velcro. Sports shoes are acceptable to be worn on the designated sports days which will be advised shortly.

**OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY – SCHOOL HATS**

Our school hat is part of our school uniform.

Parents, you may not be aware that many students have drawn texta markings and/or graffiti on the yellow band of their school hats. In addition, due to years of wear, some hats are split at the seams making them almost un-wearable. This is not a good image for our school. Please ask your child about this.

From the beginning of Term 4, the following policy will be enforced:

A Plumpton P.S. hat (that is free of texta markings / graffiti) must be worn on excursions, when representing the school in sporting and academic events, and any other outside school activity. School hats must be graffiti free to attend any of these events.

FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY or until stock runs out – school hats will be available for purchase from the front office at a discounted price of $8

It is an expectation that all students abide by the School Uniform Policy.
THE PLUMPTON PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM

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SUPERVISION AT SCHOOL

Many students are arriving at school very early in the morning and many are not collected until well after the bell in the afternoon.

There is no supervision provided for students **before 8.25am or after 2.55pm** (other than bus duty supervision)

Classes **finish at 2:55pm** each day. Parents, if you pick up your children, you need to collect them **promptly** at the end of each school day. Our teachers often need to attend meetings after school or courses away from our school, collecting your child as close as possible to **2.55pm** will assist us, as well as be in your child’s best interest.

As specified in regulations, determinations, Department of Education Handbooks and in NSW legislation: “The duty of care must be exercised from the time the school formally accepts the presence of students half an hour before normal classes begin until they safely depart the school after normal classes finish” – which is 2.55pm.

Where there is a child safety, welfare or wellbeing concern, I will contact the Department of Education’s Child Wellbeing Unit or another government agency for advice and support.

GATE ACCESS

The main school gate (located near the pedestrian crossing on Bottles Road) is open from **8.25am** and remains open throughout the day. This is the main access gate.

The other school gates are open from **8:25am-9:00am each morning and from 2:45pm-3:30pm each afternoon**.
MOBILE PHONE POLICY
We understand that some parents give their children mobile phones for ease of communication and perhaps a sense of personal safety.

It is the school policy that mobile phones are handed in at the front office first thing in the morning (where they will be kept in a secure location during the school day) and collected by students at the end of the day. The school accepts no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged phones in the instance that they have not been handed in.

Students, please have a safe as well as enjoyable holiday!

Students return to school on Tuesday, 6th October.

Yours in partnership,

Maureen Larkin
Principal

P&C NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS
The P&C will be helping out with the Plumpton/Oakhurst Soccer Gala Day on Sunday the 25/10/2015. If anyone can spare some hands with running of a BBQ please let us know any help will be appreciated.

Regards,
Kellie
P&C Secretary

KINDERGARTEN IN THE LIBRARY
This term in Library, Kindergarten as been learning about where bread comes from. We have learnt about how wheat is grown and then harvested and taken to the mill to be ground into flour. Last Friday we finished our Unit by making bread and of course you enjoy eating it. Here are some photos of the Kindy students making bread.

Bronwyn Bailey
Teacher Librarian
PAYMENTS
All payments for excursions, camp, activities etc must be paid by the advised closing date and put into the chute in the office counter.
Please DO NOT PUT ANY PSSA money in the chute as this goes direct to the teachers handling the PSSA.
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. Please use separate envelopes for each activity.

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update – Please Read
Following the decision last month to recall the Cosmic Light Beam Torch due to a potential safety issue, a decision has been made to also withdraw the upcoming Lunar Light Band reward from the School Banking Rewards Program.

To avoid disappointment there is a new reward item available for redemption in Term 4 while stocks last. Students can now test their skills with a game of frisbee with the new Galaxy Glider!
When students are eligible to redeem, they can simply include a note, in their deposit book on banking day to advise that they would like the Galaxy Glider reward item.
Don’t forget the Outer Space Savers Money Box is also available in Term 4.
UNIFORM SHOP.

MONDAY & THURSDAY ONLY 8.30-9AM AND 2.30-2.55PM. CASH ONLY

3 MONTHS UNLIMITED BOOTCAMP ONLY $247

LIMITED TIME LAUNCH OFFER
FREE TRIAL SESSION

MAKING STRONG Women STRONGER

THE SIMPLEST WAY
...to protect your skin at the snow!

Did you know that you can almost get a double dose of ultraviolet (UV) radiation at the snow?

Snow and water increase your risk of sun damage as they reflect up to 90% of UV radiation on a clear day. Are you heading for the slopes? Check out these SunSmart tips:

- Slap on a winter hat, such as a beanie, hood or a beanie-wellington caps to cover your ears.
- Slap on goggles or wrap around sunglasses.
- Apply SPF30+ or higher broad-spectrum and water resistant sunscreen and lip balm at least 30 minutes before going outside.
- Reapply sunscreen every two hours – put a small tube in your jacket pocket.
- Take a break from the slopes during the middle part of the day.

Be SunSmart and your children will follow your lead. Enjoy the winter!

Visit sunsmart.org.au to find out more.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT

It’s that time of the year where we start taking enrolment applications for children commencing Kindergarten in 2016.

We need to have our anticipated student numbers reported to the Department of Education soon. Staffing is calculated on these anticipated numbers so it’s important that they are as accurate as possible.

If you have a child commencing Kindergarten in 2016, could you please request an enrolment form and have it returned to the office as soon as possible.
PLUMPTON VACATION CARE PROGRAM
September/October 2015 MAIN EVENTS

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<td>PAPER PLANE COMPETITION: MAKE YOUR OWN PAPER PLANE AND TEST IT OUT! PAPER PLANE RACES</td>
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PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

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.
- 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 CHILD'S LUNCH!

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