Principal’s Message
As we reach the end of a busy term at Riverstone Public School I would like to wish all our students and parents a happy and safe holiday period. For staff it is a well deserved break and a time to regroup and prepare for Term 2. We have many programs and playground activities starting in Term 2 which will be a fantastic support for the students.

Please remember that at the start of Term 2 we have two staff development days. Students return to school on Wednesday May 1, we look forward to hearing all about the many holiday adventures.

Annual School Report
Our 2012 Annual School Report will be uploaded onto our school website today. This report provides all school stakeholders with important information from the 2012 school year.

Books in Homes
Tomorrow is our last assembly for the term. At this assembly we will be presenting class and Bronze awards and our Stage 1 students will be receiving a library bag containing 3 books chosen by the students. These books are for the children to take home and encourages reading and literacy in the home. The books are beautiful and the Stage 1 students are very excited to be receiving them. We are currently seeking sponsorship to extend this initiative across the whole school. As always parents are very welcome to attend. We will be starting as close to 2.15pm as possible.

Easter Hat Parade
Thank you to everyone who participated in the Easter Hat Parade last week. This event was well supported by the students, parents, staff and wider community and we really appreciate the effort that people went to with the hats, masks and hair. Thank you to the P&C for the hard work at the cake stall and the support provided to the BBQ. A great job as always!

Mrs Emma Thompson
Principal

Stage 3 Report
The students in Stage 3 have begun the year with a positive attitude towards their learning. They have been revising and developing their numeracy skills. Through shared and guided reading they are further developing their literacy skills.

They have settled in well to their school leadership roles. Our school captains and prefects have been involved in organising and running assemblies. They have also

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Calendar

What’s On

**Term 1 Week 10**

Monday 1 April  Easter Monday Holiday
Wednesday 3 April  School Photo Day (full school uniform to be worn)
Thursday 4 April  Whole School Assembly 2.15pm
Friday 5 April  P&C Meeting 1pm

**Term 1 Week 11**

Friday 12 April  ANZAC Day Service 9.30am
                Last day of Term 1

**Term 2 Week 1**

Monday 29 April  Staff Development Day
Tuesday 30 April  Staff Development Day
Wednesday 1 May  Students return for Term 2
Thursday 2 May  K-2 Assembly 2.15pm
assisted is events such as the Captains Induction Ceremony and the Easter Hat Parade.

During this term many of our students have attended a Leadership day at Longneck Lagoon and Young Leaders Day at the Sydney entertainment Centre.

Last week some of our students were involved in the Premier’s Sporting Challenge at Riverstone High school. They had the opportunity to refine some skills while being mentored by Year 9 students. We look forward to future opportunities for Riverstone High students to support our Stage 3 students in sporting activities.

All of Stage 3 students enjoyed the opportunity to spend a night out at Dubbo Zoo. It was a long way to go but the experience was worthwhile. They saw many animals but the favourite ones were the monkeys, elephants and otters.

Next term we will be visiting Canberra for our Stage 3 camp. This will be the catalyst for our HSIE Unit on government and should provide many opportunities for discussion and learning.

The Year 5 students will be completing their NAPLAN assessment early next term. We wish them the best of luck an encourage them to take their time and read all questions carefully.

Stage 3 students look forward to organising sporting and other activities for their peers next term. They will continue to be excellent role models for the rest of the school.

**Year 6 News**
The commemorative Year 6 shirts have been ordered and we are hoping they arrive early in Term 2 so the students have plenty of time to wear them throughout the remainder of the school year. Thank you Mrs Finn for organising this for Year 6.

Our High School transitioning has commenced with some students attending taster lessons this term. In Term 2 we will continue to work closely with Riverstone High School to provide our students with a strong understanding of what happens in High School and assist to relieve any anxieties our students have about this important transition period.

We look forward to a very busy Term 2 in Stage 3
Mrs Pettitt  
Assistant Principal Stage 3

**Like us on Facebook!**
Our Facebook page is up and running with many likes from parents. It is a very easy way to keep updated with the latest school news and reminders.

**P&C News**

**April P&C Meeting**
Our last P&C meeting for Term 1 will be held on Friday 5 April at 1pm in the Community Room. Coming to a P&C meeting is your opportunity to see what is happening in your school community and share your ideas.

The disco that was to be held this week, has been cancelled. We have not received enough student payments to go ahead with this event.

Regards  
P&C Committee

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**26th Annual Penrith Working Truckshow**

**Sunday 7th April 2013 - 8am-5pm**

**Australia's Best Value Family Day**

- The Best In Country Music
- Adam Brand
- Chelsea Basham
- Plus much much more

- Direct access from Penrith Station
- Unlimited FREE amusement rides all day (18 rides)
- Concert sound & full stage
- Specialist trade stalls & displays
- Entertaining games & competitions
- Free Ballroom & Fairy Floss
- Free face painting
- BBQ, drinks & beer tents
- Major prizes & trophies
- Price includes entry to Museum
- Adults $30, up to 3 Children FREE with paying adult

**Held At:**

Museum of Fire - Penrith  
3 Museum Drive, Penrith  
Ph: 4731 3005

- Entry: $6 Adult, $3 Student, $15 Family  
- Children Under 5 Free

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Planting Spinach!
Here 1-2 W were collecting data and counting how many times a six could be thrown and looking at the possibilities of chance in how many times a certain colour could be drawn out of the container!

Mrs Belinda Weisback and Mrs Tanya White