A note from the principal….

The end of the year is nearly here. It has been a very busy and exciting year. I have enjoyed my first year as principal at Regents Park PS and would like to thank the students, parents, teachers and community for their support.

Fete
I would once again like to thank the school community for their support of our School Fete. I would like to announce with great pleasure that the Fete raised $6369.75 that will be held at the school and go towards covering the playing field near the library with artificial grass. I would also like once again to thank all our helpers and sponsors. Without their support and assistance we would not have had such a successful Fete.

Safety
Just a reminder that all children riding bikes or scooters are required by law to wear helmets. Please ensure your child is wearing their helmet when riding to school. Once children arrive at school gate they need to walk their bike or scooter into the school grounds. Riding of bikes and scooters is not permitted in school grounds. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Security Fence
Our security fence has finally been completed. I would like to remind the community that school grounds are enclosed lands, that is, there is no general pedestrian access through the school. Only students, parents and people attending events or have school business should enter school grounds. The gate located on Auburn Road will be open from 7:45 am until 9:15 am and reopened from 2:45 pm until 4:00 pm. Access to the school during school hours is via the gate on Bagdad Street.

Enrolments 2015
To help with class formations for next year we are asking all families please advise the school if your children are not returning to the school next year. If they are returning later than the start of school (January 28) because of an overseas/extended holiday please advise us before the end of term.

Year 6
I would like to wish all the Year 6 students the very best for 2015. I am sure they will all make a successful transition from primary school to high school. I look forward to hearing their great success stories.

and finally…
I wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday. A Merry Christmas to those that celebrate Christmas and a great holiday for everyone.

Please don’t forget school returns on Wednesday 28 January 2015 for Years 1 to 6.

Mrs Elizabeth Rump
Principal

Breaking News !!!
Make Online Payments – new for 2015
It will soon be possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include choir, drama and dance). There is also a category called Other this to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice. More information will be made available soon.
Kindergarten

Kindergartens have been busy bees in Term 4. It has been filled with lots of quality Writing and Reading. We are now learning to always check what we read is right and when it doesn’t make sense, to go back and fix it! We have continued to visit the Language Enrichment Room and have continued to produce fabulous writing.

The weather is getting warmer and warmer. Please remember to pack a bottle of water for your child as they are free to have a sip during learning time. Don’t forget to label all your hats and other school uniform items!

Miss Fletcher Miss Yeung & Mrs Kula

Stage 1

Stage One students have worked extremely hard this term in all areas. The teachers are very proud of the students’ achievements, particularly the progress they have made in Reading, Writing and Number.

We will acknowledge their hard work at our K-2 Presentation Day on Monday 15th December with some songs and certificates for all students. Please join us on the day in the School Hall at 2:00pm.

Our special Fun Day on Tuesday 16th December will be a celebration of their hard work this year. Students will take part in various art and sport activities as well as a Talent Show. They are eagerly looking forward to the day.

Stage One teachers would like to thank all the students from Years One and Two for their hard work this year.

We would like to wish all children and families a happy and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing you in 2015.

Don’t forget to continue reading during the holidays and to buy essentials such as pencils, erasers and rulers in preparation for the new school year.
Stage 2 News

It’s hard to believe Term 4 is nearly over!
In English, we have been working on visual literacy through the theme of ‘The Environment’. Students are looking at the text of ‘The Lorax’ as well as the movie. Stage 2 have been learning about the consequences of deforestation and the effects of pollution.

As a reward for being so amazing during the year Stage 2 will be going to the movies on Monday 16th of December, for our end of year reward.

Congratulations to those students who have achieved their Bronze, Silver or Gold Award already!

Gold: Yvannah, Niketa, Anna, Andy, Evangelynne.


Bronze: Abdul F, Ahsan, Jayda, Maafu, Mattin, Saariah, Zamzam, Sela, Isabelle, Ahmed K, Aya, Tristina, Aaron, Almaz, Hondfa, Joshua, Katalina, Kobe, Mikayla, Nawaf, Roland, Shaima, Sheree, Yasin, Zaynab A.

Keep working hard these last few weeks of term.
Stage 2 Teachers,
Miss Martyn, Mrs DeMarcellis, Miss Thomas, Mrs Arevalo

Stage 3
Teen Ranch
On the 3rd to the 5th of November, Stage 3 went to Teen Ranch for our annual school camp. It was a really cool experience and I learnt a lot of skills.
On Monday the 3rd, all of stage 3 met at school at 8:30 to catch a bus to Teen Ranch. We took pictures and said goodbye to our family and friends, then we were off! The bus ride took at least an hour, but we all had fun. I read, people talked and some slept. As we got there, we met our instructor, Mel, and we had our orientation. After our orientation, we got changed and went swimming. The water was cool and was a nice blue. Then we had morning tea.
For our second activity, we had archery. We had different groups; my team was called the BoBs. It was a really original name. We scored third place in our little competition. Archery was something I will remember, it was so cool!
Our third activity was bush skills. We made shelters and damper. Our shelters were
made out of sticks, it was really hard, but it all paid off. Everyone thought we were going to sleep in them, but we weren’t. The damper was fun to make. Mel had already made the mixture; we just had to cook it. We wrapped it around the end of long sticks and cooked it in the fire. We ate it with golden syrup; I really want to try it at home!

The second day we had horse riding! YAY! I shared a horse with Lyn, her name was Tennessee. She was a really fun pony, she loved hugs, too. After, we went kayaking with Nathan. I was teamed with Angela.

After Kayaking, we went swimming. And after dinner and showers, we went to aw bonfire in the woods. Well, not in the woods, through the woods. We roasted marshmallows and told ghost stories. What we were really scared of, was a girl in a white dress walking up the hill. Miss Jade and I told stories; her story was a tad bit scarier than mine, though.

On the third day, we went to go have breakfast and tower. Tower was a rock climbing wall and wobbly logs. But first, we had to learn to belay. Climbing was fun, but a little scary for others.

After climbing, it was free time in the pool, but we had to bring our bags up the hill first. It was so HEAVY! But we did have an awesome time, awesome, cool and fantastic time.

GOODBYE TEEN RANCH!

Taylor Tran
5/6J

Teen Ranch

On the 3rd of November, Stage 3 departed Regents Park Public School to arrive at Teen Ranch. When stage 3 arrived at Teen Ranch we unloaded our bags to settle in to our cabins. Once we settled, we had to change our clothes to swimming clothes for our first swimming session and it was so fun.

Once swimming was done we went to morning tea and had fruit and cakes. After morning tea went to our archery session and I nearly hit a bullseye! Archery was really entertaining and enjoyable. Later on the bell rang for our second activity and that was bush skills.

Basically we had to build a house and cook damper which is mixture of water and flour which was so tasty with maple syrup. Once that was done we had spaghetti Bolognese for dinner and then we played games in the main hall for about an hour and then we went to bed.

On the second day we did horse riding first and I was really nervous but when you start riding it isn’t so bad and that was one of my favourite activities of camp. Then we had chicken burgers for lunch and it was fantastic. After that we had kayaking and one of the boats capsized and that was kind of scary but really funny.

After kayaking we went to the pools for about an hour then we went had free time for 20 minutes. Then we had beef and peas with sliced carrots. Once we had dinner then we headed over to the bonfire and cooked marshmallows and told really creepy stories. After that we went to bed.

On the third and final day we had lunch then we did our tower session which was rock climbing for about an hour. Then we headed for the pools for 30 minutes and then we had to pack up and head home.

Overall stage 3 had a fun time

Aiden Pillay 5/6W
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