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2014 Staff Organisation and Timetable Changes

Library: Wednesday – all classes. Library bag required

Assembly: Every Friday after lunch.

Newsletters: Will be distributed on Tuesdays. Please indicate on the note your preferred method of receiving the newsletter– paper version, emailed to you or access it from the school website.

House Captains: The house captains will be elected by the students on Friday. Their first major role will be to offer support to the competitors in their teams at the swimming carnival.

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For your information:

- Fees due– $40 book pack and $10 for the Maths Online subscription. All teachers will be using the Maths Online as part of their maths program.
- School hats are available at school for $10.
- The canteen will not be operating tomorrow Friday 31 February or next Friday 7 February due to the swimming carnival.
- The date for the first P&C meeting will be confirmed on the newsletter on Tuesday.
Coming Events

Friday 7 February  Swimming Carnival (back-up date 15 February)
Friday 25 February  Highlands PSSA Swimming Carnival
Friday 28 February  Schools’ Clean-up Australia Day

Concerns

At times parents have concerns about something that is happening at school. The best way to deal with your concerns is to speak directly with the teacher involved. If this is done promptly, most problems can be sorted quickly.

Smoking Near the School

There are a lot of cigarette butts on the ground at the front of the school. Mrs Murray has provided tins for smokers to put their butts in. Preferably we would prefer for parents, carers and visitors not to smoke at the front of the school.

Family Contact and Emergency Contact Details

Attached is a copy of your family’s (excluding Kindergarten) contact and emergency contact details that the school has on file.

To ensure that the school has all of these correct, could you please amend any corrections that need to be made to mobile numbers, home numbers, emergency contacts (2 must be provided) and doctors details. Some areas have been highlighted as this information is required and must be completed.

Please make any necessary changes and sign this form. All forms need to be returned, with or without changes to school by Friday 7 February.

The 2014 Class Requirements list and the 2014 General Permission Note were sent home yesterday. The permission note needs to be returned to the school by Monday 3 February.

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

Please indicate on the note your preferred method of receiving the newsletter—paper version, emailed to you or access it from the school website.

☐ Emailed – if so preferred email address:.................................................................
☐ paper    ☐ website – www.adelong-p.schools@nsw.edu.au
Please write hotdog order on a brown paper bag for each child on Friday 7 February and place it in the canteen order box with your money.

*Return the slip below for ordering purposes – no money.*

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL – WHOLE SCHOOL (K–6)\nHOT DOG LUNCH ORDER**

Name: .............................................................. Class: ....................

I would like to order ................... hot dogs at $2.00 each

Drinks $1.50 each

.......... Pop tops – Apple or Orange..................

Water available or day for $1.50

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**ADELONG COMMUNITY AQUATIC CENTRE**

Due to maintenance the Adelong Pool will be closed today Thursday 30 January until midday Friday 31 January. Sorry for the inconvenience.

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**ADELONG SWIMMING CLUB**

There will be no Swimming Club to due to the pool closure.

All NSW Swimming registration forms are due by Monday 3 February. If these have not been returned you will be unable to swim with the club.

If your child is wishing to participate in the Junee Swimming Carnival on Sunday 9 February, I need to have their names and what events they will be entering by tomorrow Friday 31 January via text to mobile number 0428 384 734.

Any further enquiries please contact Rose on the number above.