Dear Parents and Carers
I hope that all of you who have celebrated Eid have enjoyed a lovely festive occasion with your family and community. I am sure some of the students will share news of their celebrations when they return to school after the weekend!

Winter Chills
Haven’t we had a mild winter? I still think our main playground is the coldest place in Campbelltown first thing in the morning! Please remember to send your child to school in a jumper to keep them warm! I know there are some students who remove their jumpers once out of sight, but don’t worry – we’re here to get that jumper back on!

Bunnings bbq
Thank you to the many parents, friends and Cr Darcy Lownd for helping to raise over $1000 at our last Bunnings bbq in July.

Wednesdays with Purple Class
Mrs Smith will be taking leave on Wednesdays each week until the end of November. Mrs Beers will be teaching the students of Purple Class on Wednesdays. Di Beers has many years experience teaching students with special needs and has been working casually at school for a number of years, including Fridays on Pink Class!

Parents and Friends
Our next meeting for the P&F will be on Friday, 23rd August at 9.15. Sarah (Silver Class) and Belinda (Orange Class) will be showing some of the apps used on iPads across the school. Come and join us to have a look at the amazing digital world out there!

Warm wishes

Julie Raciborska
Principal

Check out our school website
www.passfield-s.schools.nsw.edu.au

Peanut Allergy
Just a reminder not to pack peanut related foods for your child to bring to school. This includes nutella sandwiches. Some of our students have severe peanut allergies. Thank you for your consideration.

Diary Dates…..
September 14 Trivia Night
November 8 HS Formal
November 29&30 School Spectacular
December 11 Presentation Day

Pink Class prefer pikelets
Pink Class students enjoyed dressing-up for our Multicultural Day and all looked beautiful in their bright island clothes. In cooking this term, as well as continuing to practise spreading and pouring skills, we have been focusing on measuring and mixing and learning about full and empty. Students have decided that warm pikelets are yummy and some like to start eating them as soon as they come out of the pan, before they have even put any spreads on them. Now that they have decided that they like pikelets, we will experiment with variations, such as adding mashed banana, grated apple or sultanas.

In Reading, students are enjoying Lettergetter alphabet activities on the interactive whiteboard. These activities are reinforcing recognition of sounds and upper and lower case letters. They are also developing phonemic awareness with students being challenged to look for objects that start with a specified sound.

Cheryl A and Narelle

Pink Class students enjoy dressing up for Multicultural Day!
Blue Class Putt Putt all the way to the Ukraine

Welcome to Term 3. This term, Blue Class is looking forward to playing putt putt golf for our sport. We will be travelling to Campbelltown every Friday for our game.

The class enjoyed education/multicultural day last Tuesday. We represented Ukraine and the girls looked beautiful with flowers and ribbons in their hair and the boys looked great with their sashes and carrying swords. We watched Cossack dancing on youtube and the students were astounded with the energetic dancing of the boys and the talent of the beautiful girls. The class tasted some typical Ukrainian food such as cheese dumplings, beetroot and horseradish, and marinated herrings. We then went to the other classes to taste food from various countries.

Selected members of Blue Class along with Green Class performed in Fire in the Fields this week. As usual, they are to be commended for their performance and behaviour.

Birthday wishes go to Raya, Blair and Zac who recently celebrated their birthdays.

A la carte in Yellow Class

Yellow Class has enjoyed practicing their money skills by making purchases at the local supermarket for their cooking classes. Before going shopping, students make small notes for themselves to remind them of what they need to select for purchase at the supermarket. Each student has displayed their ability to be responsible for their own wallet, money and carry bag. They can make selections of items, pay for items, collect the receipt, change and item. It has been great to see them also develop their confidence and communication during these tasks.

The class enjoyed making their chefs’ hats and dressing as French chefs to celebrate Multicultural day. For their class contribution to the food tasting, Yellow Class created bread sticks and frog jelly. The day was a terrific success as the students visited other classrooms and tasted many foods from around the world.

Olena and Mandy

Cheryl A and Narelle

Schools Spectacular 2013 Fundraiser

Some of our high school students have been chosen to take part in the NSW Schools Spectacular. This year is a special year for the Spectacular, being it’s 30th anniversary. In order to meet the costs involved in our participation, we are holding a chocolate fundraiser.

For sale is an assortment of Cadbury chocolates such as freddo frogs, cherry ripes, boost bars etc. If you would like to purchase any chocolates for $1 each, please put the money and quantity required in an envelope and send to school with your child.

Your support is much appreciated.

Kris
Organiser
**Purple Class go exploring**

Purple Class had a wonderful time at our school’s Multicultural Day which was held last week to celebrate Education Week. The class’ choice of country was Italy. Students engaged in classroom activities such as identifying Australia and Italy on a world map, painting their own Italian flag, viewing photos of Italian cities and famous landmarks, counting to ten in Italian and listening and singing Italian songs. Everyone loved dressing up in Italian colours and visiting the other classes. They enjoyed seeing their peers dressed in the theme of their chosen countries, viewing displays and best of all sampling a wide variety of foods. The Multicultural Singalong proved to be an enjoyable way to finish a great day. Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended our Multicultural Day activities. The students were very excited to see so many visitors at school. We hope you enjoyed your day with us. We would like to wish Mrs Beers a warm welcome to Purple Class. Mrs Beers will be teaching Purple Class each Wednesday until the end of the year.

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**Red Class—Bollywood and bowling**

Red Class learnt about India during Education Week. We enjoyed watching Bollywood songs, made craft inspired by Indian animals such as cheeky monkeys, dancing peacocks and swaying elephants. Our students were fascinated by the ‘henna’ patterns made on the palms of their hands. They happily waited for their turn and keenly spread their palms out to get them decorated. On Multicultural day, Red Class students wore a peacock feather in their hair. We had a taste of the food from our chosen country and also visited other classes’ stalls, enjoy more food from eight different countries. ‘Gluabjamun’, a dessert from north India was the most popular at our class food stall. Thanks to the parents who experienced the multicultural activities with the children.

Red Class is going to Campbelltown City Bowl and students are having a wonderful time learning to bowl using the ramps.

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**Resourcing Parents**

The organisation, Resourcing Parents, is running two free healthy lifestyle for children parenting programs during Term 3 in the Macarthur area. If you would like further information, please visit www.resourcingparents.com

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**Change of Trivia Date**

Due to the change of date for the federal election, we have had to change the date for our trivia night to September 14, 2013. There has also been a change in venue. The evening will now be held at Glenfield Community Hall, Seddon Park, Railway Parade, Glenfield.

We need items to auction on the night. If you have any contacts who are able to donate items or services, please let Cheryl (in the office) know.

To book a table or for further information, please phone Cheryl on 9820 1700. All proceeds will help towards the purchase of a new school bus.
White Class enjoy Putt Putt

White Class has had an exciting start to Term 3. We have been out and about in the community learning about our environment. In Geography we have been learning about Australian ecosystems – deserts, coastal and rainforests. We were able to visit Mount Annan Botanical Gardens and observe some of the differences. It was lovely to see the plants coming into bud and the wattle in bloom.

Whilst there, we took advantage of the BBQ area and enjoyed our fill of sausage sandwiches. We were also able to use the playground as it had suitable equipment for our age and size.

As well as this, we went to Indoor Putt Putt Golf and after trying it, have decided to do it as our sport for the term each Friday.

Multicultural Day was another exciting day. White Class represented Australia and we celebrated with vegemite sandwiches, pavlova, lamingtons and grubs. Our cowboy hats with corks on were a great success although some students were not really impressed with corks swinging across their faces. Much better than flies we told them.

This term, there has been a small change in our canteen orders – fish fingers have replaced ‘super doopers’. Fish fingers were met with approval from some students so if your child would enjoy a change, please remember we now offer ‘fish fingers’.

Congratulations to our students of the week