Dear Parents,

‘AUSTRALIA: STORY COUNTRY’

At our Book Week Assembly this week, all students and parents enjoyed a colourful and entertaining Book Character Parade. It was rewarding and encouraging for the children to see that many of their parents and relatives had come to witness another one of our best Book Week performances.

After lunch, all children transformed themselves into their favourite book character and gathered in the Gemjian Hall to share their story. Every child delivered a brief speech, well prepared and presented. At the same time photos of their character including the book that they came from were being projected on the big screen. Not only did they depict these characters well but they were able to inform us about their character, telling us why this character was special to them and what their favourite part of the story was. They were able to recommend many wonderful books to their peers, encouraging them to read a wide variety of books and well known tales. They covered books too many to mention and made us aware of the wonderful adventures and experiences that we can gain when we pick up a book.

As well as representing their favourite characters the students recited poetry and sang bilingual Book Week songs, which related to the students’ knowledge and love of books. Not only did the spectacular costumes make the afternoon a colourful and entertaining experience for all but also engendered an excitement in the books that were being read by the children.

Much to the delight of the children, parents also had the opportunity to browse the Book Fair. The full list of book donations to the school Library will be listed next week. If you would like to contribute, we still have a number of books waiting to be donated (see page 3). Please contact the office for more information.

We thank everyone for their support and hope they all enjoyed the show as much as we enjoyed giving it.

Next week is National Literacy & Numeracy Week and will also mark the start of Fruit & Veg Month.

MANOUG DEMIRJIAN

26th August, 2016
DATES TO REMEMBER
29/08 National Literacy & Numeracy Week
30/08 Start of Fruit & Veg Month
02/09 Fathers’ Day Stall
04/09 Fathers’ Day Picnic - Lane Cove River Park
07/09 Start of Year 5/6 Canberra Excursion
09/09 End of Year 5/6 Canberra Excursion
21/09 Armenian Independence Day
23/09 Alexander Rest Home Visit - Year 5/6
13/11 Armenian Cultural Day
11/12 Christmas Concert and Graduation

FATHERS’ DAY STALL
Friday, 2nd September
Students will be able to shop for Fathers’ Day on that day.
On Friday students can bring money to go shopping for their dad!
Fathers’ Day gifts will be provided by the P & C up to the cost of $10 each.
We have organised a good variety of gifts for students to choose from.
If there are extra gifts students can also buy for granddads, uncles etc. as long as they have enough money…. So come prepared!
Thank you for your support.

ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND
WEEKLY REPORT: Term 3 Week 6
8 Points – SEVAN …………… $0.00
6 Points – YEREVAN ……… $0.00
Total: …………… $0.00
ACCUMULATED: ………… $481.05

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HOUSE POINTS TERM 3
Uniform, Playground, Charity & Awards
SEVAN - 84 points
YEREVAN - 97 points

TEACHERS’ AWARD
TERM 3 – WEEK 6
Year 6: Talia
Year 5: Anita
Prep: Lucas

BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK
Happy Birthday to…
Martin
Sofia

LIBRARY BAGS
Congratulations to all the students who remembered to bring their library bags for borrowing this week. If you forgot to bring yours in, try to remember next week.
LIBRARY DAY IS MONDAY

CONGRATULATIONS TO

AGBU Alexander Primary School
Internet Web Site www.alexander.nsw.edu.au
The above books which are short-listed for the Children's Book Council of Australia Awards have been purchased by the school. If parents wish to donate books for the Library during Book Week, it would be most helpful if they could donate the average purchase price of these books - $20. Please indicate below and return with your donation. Thank You.

Donations will receive acknowledgement in our Newsletter and a label of appreciation will also be placed in the sponsored book/s with your child’s name.

Please Note: Award Winners will be announced on 19th August 2016.

I/we ………………………………………………………... (Name) wish to donate …………………………………………………………………….. (Name/s of Book/s)

SIGNATURE: __________________________________________  MONEY ENCLOSED: $_________
TV or Not TV!

Was there fun before the digital screen? In an age of digital entertainment, gaming and social media, it is hard to imagine how much fun people had without being glued to a screen of some sort.

During Book Week (Tuesday, 23 August), the students of Alexander school together with the students of the Sydney Jsapanese School were treated to an innovative, inspiring and action-packed programme that showed us there was life before the digital age... and still is!

Mic Conway combined music, comedy, circus tricks, juggling, illusion, puppetry and even tap dancing to encourage children to use their own imagination and resources. We discovered that there’s more to life than staring at a screen as Mic took us back through history with an old time radio show, gramophone music, dancing, a mini-melodrama, magic, circus, bush and Aboriginal music. In addition, Mic demonstrated the endless possibilities of creating and improvising music and theatre from household objects. This fun-packed show was full of surprises and involved the students in the performance. The students from Prep to Year 6 were totally enraptured and absorbed by the show.
INTERNATIONAL SPORTS DAY: Wednesday, 31st August

As part of the ‘Integrated Schools’ annual activities, this year’s International Sports Day is once again being held at the Sydney Japanese School. Students in Years 3 to 6 will attend, supervised by class teachers. Transport will be by private cars of teachers and volunteers, leaving school at 10am and returning at 2pm.

The children will join with other school students in their colour (house) teams so will not be in competition with them. The activities include running races, relays and tabloid games, with the main focus of the day being integration and enjoyment. Our past experience is that this is a most enjoyable day for all.

Children should take morning tea, drink, lunch, sunscreen. They need to wear a t-shirt of the house colour they have already been told. Please be sure it is neat and with no writing on it. Winter sports uniform including the school hat is a must. Please return permission slips by Tuesday, 30th August.

Remember: Hat ☑, Uniform ☑, Colour T-shirt ☑, Morning Tea ☑, Lunch ☑, Permission Slip ☑. Check! ☑

INTERNATIONAL SPORTS DAY
Years 3 - 6 Students Only

☐ Yes - I do ☐ No - I do not

Grant permission for my child/ren to attend the International Sports Day at the Sydney Japanese School on Wednesday, 31st August.

I understand he/she will travel to and from school by private cars of teachers and volunteers at 10am and return by 2pm, being accompanied and supervised by class teachers.

NAME OF STUDENT/S: _______________________________________________

PARENT’S SIGNATURE: ______________________________________ DATE: _______________________
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Working Bee

A big THANK YOU to all the families who attended the Working Bee last Sunday to help maintain the grounds.
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MR KAYLAR MICHAELIAN
Australia’s Permanent Representative to the Republic of Nagorno-Karabakh

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For further details contact: Mr Nishan Basmajian
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FATHER’S DAY PICNIC

Sunday, 4 September 2016

Lane Cove National Park

Location: Tunks Hill Picnic Area
Located at the northern end of Riverside Drive.
Best entry from Ryde Road

Time: 11am onwards

Food, Drinks & Sweets will be available for sale by the P&C.

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