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Theatre Excursion

Our whole school will be attending a performance of ‘My Grandmother Lived in Gooligulch’ at the Civic Theatre in Newcastle on Thursday 21st July. This is in the first week of Term 3. Transport will be by bus and students will be supervised by Mrs. Collier, Ms. Strang and Mrs. Merriman.

After the performance we will have lunch in the park then be back at school by 3.00pm.

Students will need to bring morning tea, lunch and a drink. They will be expected to wear their school uniform including a hat.

Our wonderful P&C is once again subsidizing our families by paying 50% of the ticket and transport costs. This brings the cost of the excursion to $12.00 per child.

The school holds funds known as the ‘Student Assistance Scheme’ which is for use by families who are experiencing temporary financial hardship. Use of this money is completely confidential. Please see Mrs. Collier if you wish to access these funds.

Please return the attached permission note and $12.00 per child to the class teachers before the end of term.

Early Years Conference Performance

Nillo Infants has been invited to supply a performance at the Best Start Early Years Conference which will be held at Muswellbrook on Wednesday 27th July. A selected group of students will be performing a Zumba routine; however we are taking the whole school to this event. After the performance we will be visiting some classes at Muswellbrook South PS and a small school in the area. It will be a great opportunity to showcase our wonderful students and activities as well as extending our knowledge of the Hunter area.

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students:

| K WHITE                          | Jake Alps          |
|                                  | Georgia Brouwer    |
| 09.06.11                         | Reed Sweetman      |
| 16.06.11                         | Sheridan Todd      |
| 23.06.11                         | Travis Bryant      |
| 1 RED                            | Eliza Davies       |
| 09.06.11                         | Ruby Coffey        |
| 16.06.11                         | Emmerson Hodges    |
| 23.06.11                         | Aurella Capararo   |
|                                  | Grace Marshall     |
|                                  | Hunter Sweetman    |
| 2 GREEN                          | Elliot Collis      |
| 09.06.11                         | Matthew Ingle      |
| 16.06.11                         | Lukah Eveleigh     |
| 23.06.11                         | Samuel Ingle       |
|                                  | Fletcher Carlton   |
|                                  | Ashton Lucas       |
| YOU CAN DO IT!                   | Raphael Bedwani    |
| 09.06.11                         | Aki Newberry       |
| 16.06.11                         | Claudia Weerts     |
| 23.06.11                         |                    |
| PLAYGROUND                       | Claudia Weerts     |
| 09.06.11                         | Della Birss        |
| 16.06.11                         | Raphael Bedwani    |
| 23.06.11                         |                    |

Newsletter apology

Somehow or other we missed our usual fortnightly newsletter last week. Sorry for the confusion!
More information will be forthcoming as we receive bus quotes.

**Education Week**
During Week 3 (August 1- August 5) we will be supporting Education week. We have in the past had our dance group perform at Greenhills. We will be holding an Open Day at school where parents/friends and relatives will be invited to visit our classrooms, view some performances and share some recess or lunch. This will happen on Wednesday 3rd August. We will also have our regular school assembly on Thursday 4th August. More information will be sent out next term.

**School holidays**
Last holidays we were unfortunately victim of a break in and graffiti. Please keep a check on the school over these forthcoming holidays and if you see anything suspicious, please call the school security number 1300 880 021

**Kinder enrolments**
We have a healthy enrolment list for 2012, however if you know of neighbours, friends or relatives who may be considering applying for enrolment at Nillo Infants School could you please either inform us at school or urge them to contact the school. Likewise if you know that your child will be leaving us in 2012, (apart from yr 2) could you likewise inform us of your intention so we know what places we have available to offer for enrolment.

**Working Bee**
We are hoping to have a working bee early term 3 to start getting gardens ready for the upcoming Spring Fair in term 3. The P&C have suggested the first Sunday 24th July, but we will have to confirm that upon return to school.

**Life Education Van**
The students enjoyed their visit to the Life Education van, despite the wicked weather that day. Thanks for your support of this worthy resource.

**Maitland Library**
As we have no visits to Maitland Library this term, if you would like us to return your books please bring them to school Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

You most certainly can return the books yourself and it is always a good holiday activity to visit the library.

Attached to this newsletter are the Year 2 entries into Maitland Library’s “Write Now” competition. Most of the Yr 2’s typed their own description and added their own clip art.

**School Reports**
School reports will be sent home next week with your child or mailed to those who have supplied envelopes.

**School Photos**
School photos have been sent home and have been well received. We were very pleased with Master School Portraits especially as the weather conditions were not the best! We are booking in a summer time slot for next year.

**Drama**
We have been fortunate to secure the services of Ms. Anne Coates of Upstage Theatre to provide drama lessons for the classes here at school.

These lessons will commence on Monday 25th July and will cost $5 per lesson. The preferred payment is for the whole term ie $45.00.

As usual, if finance is a problem, please remember the school holds funds known as the ‘Student Assistance Scheme’ which is for use by families who are experiencing temporary financial hardship. Use of this money is completely confidential. Please see Mrs. Collier if you wish to access these funds.

Please sign the attached permission note and return it to school as soon as possible.
Crazy Hair Day
On Friday 1st July we will be holding Crazy Hair Day in support of Cystic Fibrosis NSW. Students are encouraged to ‘do’ their hair in crazy ways and pay a gold coin donation.

Cystic Fibrosis is Australia’s most common recessive genetic condition. Here, every 4 days a child is born with CF.

CF is just as deadly as heart disease or cancer and has a devastating impact on the young people it affects. Each day, even very young children must have vigorous chest therapy to keep the lungs clear and take up to 40 tablets to replace digestive enzymes. A child with CF may spend long periods in hospital dealing with infections that would not affect most children. This can be very disruptive to family life.

Cystic Fibrosis NSW provides a range of support and information services to assist people living with CF and their families. The organization receives very little government funding and relies on the generosity of individual donors, corporate sponsors, service clubs and money raised through special events.
PERMISSION NOTE: THEATRE EXCURSION 21.07.11

I give permission for my child/ren ___________________________ to attend the whole school theatre excursion on Thursday 21st July at the Civic Theatre in Newcastle.

I understand that transport will be by bus and that the students will be supervised by Mrs. Collier, Ms. Strang and Mrs. Merriman.

I enclose $12.00 per child. Total $_____________ with note.

SIGNED: __________________________________ DATED: ________________

PERMISSION NOTE: DRAMA LESSONS TERM 3 2011

I give permission for my child/ren ________________________________ to participate in drama lessons during Term 3 starting on Monday 25th July.

I understand the cost is $5.00 per lesson for 9 weeks at a total cost of $45.00 for the term. Families with more than 2 children are reminded that third and subsequent children will be paid by the school. (Please indicate below how you wish to pay for the lessons.)

- I enclose $45.00 per child with this note. Total $__________.
- I would like to pay in installments and enclose $__________ with this note.
- I would like to pay weekly and enclose $5.00 for the first week.

SIGNED: ____________________________ DATED: _____________
Through my window - Tara
Through my classroom window I can see red, brown, and green leaves swaying from side to side.
Children are playing and singing.
People are going past on scooters and cars are rushing past.
I feel happy because this is a special place to me.

Through my classroom window - Dan
I see the leaves moving outside some windows in our classroom are shiny and clear and bright reflecting too.
Through my classroom window I see nearly everything.
But in our playground it’s more exciting when I’m outside playing on the playground.

Through my window - Elliot
Through my classroom window I can see tall trees with fresh green leaves blowing around in the wind. It is very windy. I see the pink tips on the leaves. It is very cold.
There are small cars rushing past my window to get home out of the water. It is very cold.
I can see different coloured flowers through my window. I love looking out my window, its best!

Through my huge classroom window I can see lemon trees blowing roughly in the wind and lots of green cars going past on the long road. There are big and puffy clouds drifting by in the blue sky. – James

Through my window - Ruby
Through my sparkling bedroom window I can see lovely trees blowing. The rain is pouring and making rivers of rain. I can also see people rushing past to work and the rain is pouring on the cars. The branches are wet and the trees are tapping on my window this morning. They are telling me to wake up and get dressed.

Through My Window - Stella
I lie in my soft comfy bed and I think about if I was in fairy land. Then I see my best friend. She cannot believe her eyes.
I said “hey”
She said “hey” and we ran to the park. Then we ran to get a fairy cream cone.
On our way back I opened my eyes and my real life came back to me.

Through my classroom window - Rose
Through my classroom window I see the pouring rain rushing down the window. I see big puddles caused from buckets of rain.
I see big red trucks and cars rushing past my classroom. I see leaves rustling in the wind. I see the reflection on the glass of the weather shed, the lights, and the data projector. I see the pale grey sky floating above the clouds.
That is what I see through my classroom window.
Through my window - Elizabeth

As I look through my magic window at home, I see blue and purple flowers with silver and gold stems.
I see lots of animals like deers, dolphins, and more. I look at myself and I’m gold and silver like the flowers.
I start to rub my eyes and I look and just know I was dreaming.

Through my bedroom window - Ashton
I can see the big puffy clouds. Behind them are thunderous black sounds and sparkling lightning. I think a storm is coming. I am a little bit scared so I get my lucky bear that makes me feel a bit braver.

Through my bedroom window I can see Sir Camelot and Merlin.
Merlin wandered into the bushes in my backyard.
Natasha pushed him into the fence and tied Merlin up with metal chains.
But then I realised it was my curtains blowing in the wind. – Sam

Through my magical window - Meg
Through my magical window I could see lollipop as trees.
The ground was green sour straps and the path was a zappo. The cars were chocolate.
The fences were gum and the sour tubes were powerpoles.
When I looked up at the sky the clouds were fairy floss. And when I looked out my magical Window, I started to get hungry.
But when I reached out of my magical window to eat some fairy floss I found it was just a dream.

Through my school window - Mat

I can see some flowers. They are yellow and they smile like lollies, sweet, lollies. And I can hear cars and motor bikes and I can see poles. They are power poles. I can see some houses across the road.
Through my window - Fletcher
Through my bedroom window I fly right out and land in candy land. I can see a gingerbread house and I go up to it. Inside there are heaps of lollies built into a house. I taste a bit of candy cane and a bit more. It’s so delicious I can’t stop eating it. Finally it’s time to go home to my bed and just as I was going I wake up and I realised it was just a dream.

Through my window - Lukah
I am in my classroom sitting at my table with my friends. I can see big tall trees with big branches whistling and blowing in the wind. But some trees aren’t even moving. I can see big puffy white clouds. I like my beautiful classroom and looking out my window.

Through my window - Morgan
As I sit in my room and stare through my pink framed window I can see a new land. “I think I’ll call it Trealosa”
So I checked for my parents, “Phew no one’s around”. I climbed out my window into the land of Trealosa. There I played for a while then I ate some traditional Trealosan food. I then take my private jet to my room and fall fast asleep.

Through my window - Lily
Through my school window there is a tree and it has pink and green leaves on it. Then it started to rain. The soft white clouds turned into big black clouds. I was sad because I couldn’t play.

Through my window - Claudia
Through my classroom window I can see it is raining hard. There is a grey fence and shiny, wet cars are going past.
The leaves are light green and dark green with dark brown branches. There are yellow flowers swaying from side to side. Trees are waving and they are bending to the ground, there are small light pink flowers standing still. I love looking through my classroom window.