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Dear Parents,

For the past 10 years, our staff, parents and I have believed that for our students' safety it was necessary to have a school crossing supervisor ('lollipop person') appointed to our school to walk our students across the pedestrian crossing on Adderley Street each morning before school and after school. We have made numerous requests to the Road Traffic Authority (RTA) over 10 years, but on each occasion we have been informed that we were not eligible because insufficient cars and trucks drove along Adderley Street.

At the beginning of this year, your P. and C. executive and I again contacted the RTA requesting that the volume of traffic on Adderley Street again be monitored to determine if we are eligible to have a 'lollipop person' appointed to our school. The RTA has finally responded to our request. (Please find copy of RTA email attached to this newsletter)

This week the RTA has been monitoring the volume of traffic on Adderley Street. We are hoping for a positive outcome. We will keep you informed of future developments.

CONGRATULATIONS TALIA !

Each year, every public primary and high school in the South Western Sydney Region is asked to nominate one outstanding student school citizen to be that school's SCHOOL AMBASSADOR. This selection has always been difficult for our teachers to make because each year we have many outstanding Year 6 school citizens. This year was no exception.

After great discussion, our teachers decided that **Talia** would be our 2010 school ambassador. We are very proud that Talia is an Auburn North student.

Last week, Talia participated in an ambassador leadership program and that evening was presented with an award during a special ceremony. This ceremony was attended by Talia's very proud family and by Ms Donovick, who attended as our staff representative.

STAFFING INFORMATION

We welcome to our school **Mrs Diane Kiraz**, who will be teaching K-6 classes 3 days per week, and **Ms Almond**, who will be teaching 6A for the rest of this year.

We welcome back to our school, **Mrs Christine Archer**. Mrs Archer was a wonderful teacher in our school for 3 years before taking leave to have her 3 little boys. Mrs Archer is returning to our school as a full-time teacher.

We welcome **Mrs Kiraz**, **Ms Almond** and **Mrs Archer** to the Auburn North Public School Learning Community.

RAMADAN and ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This week marks the beginning of the Muslim Holy month of Ramadan. On this occasion, my staff and I would like to wish you and your family the very best during this very important month for people of the Muslim faith.

As you may be aware, our school's athletics carnival is scheduled for Friday 13 August, 2010. This coincides with a day of fasting. **I would like to request that you please negotiate with your children on that day whether they should fast or not.** The athletics carnival is a day when children will be engaged in many sporting activities, and this may interfere with the children's ability to fast. I would however, encourage children to participate in at least some of the activities.

To avoid confusion on this sensitive matter, it would be appreciated if you could please instruct your children as to what they are permitted to do on this day of fasting.

Thank you for your co-operation on this matter.

I would like to thank Mrs Saleh for providing this information to me.

A SPECIAL VISITOR

Our Arabic-speaking students were visited this week by **Mrs May Al Ayoubi**, a Lebanese poet and writer. Last Tuesday Mrs Al Ayoubi, a celebrated Lebanese poet, talked to the children about the importance of speaking at least 2 languages in a multicultural country like Australia, so that "you can speak and communicate with many people around you".

Mrs Al Ayoubi talked to the children in simple Arabic. They played many different games together as well as participating in drama activities. Students in both stages were amazed by the way she talked and communicated with them.

Mrs Al Ayoubi was very impressed by the way our students behaved and the way in which our school operates. Mrs Al Ayoubi said, **"I have learned a lot of positive things about the education system in Australia from Auburn North Public School. I think it is such a great opportunity for our kids to learn their home language in Australia and continue to enrich the Australian culture"**.

At the end of her visit, the students were given the chance to ask questions and to express their gratitude for her visit. It was a very worthwhile experience for our students.

Mrs N Francis

Arabic Community Language Teacher

CHANGES TO ADDERLEY STREET PARKING

Last term, our school's P. and C. executive members contacted Auburn Council requesting that changes be made to the parking signs and 'rules' on Adderley street. Executive members wanted parents to be able to park on Adderley Street for an extended period of time between 9:30 am and 2:30 pm. Last week, our school received a letter from Auburn Council, which has decided that :

- **"1/2 Hour Parking, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm School Days" restrictions on the southern side of Adderley Street West be replaced with 'No Parking, 8:00 am - 9:30 am, 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm School Days'. In other words these areas can only be used as 'drop off' and 'pick up' spaces between 8:00 am - 9:30 am and 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm, but allow unlimited parking 9:30 pm - 2:30 pm.**

Auburn Council will contact our school when this change is about to be introduced.

EDUCATIONAL PARAPROFESSIONAL

Due to our participation in the 'National Partnership Program', our school is entitled to select and employ an Educational Professional over the next 2 years. An 'Expression of Interest' for this position is attached to today's newsletter.

CLASS REPORT : Turkish Community Language

For your reading pleasure, please take the time to read the class report from Turkish Community Language classes. I would like to thank the boys and girls from our **Turkish Community Language** classes, and their teacher **Mrs Mehmet**.

Mr Mark Harris
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Term 3

August

- Friday, 13th - School Athletics Carnival
- Monday, 16th - Author in Library 3:30 to 5:00 pm
- Tuesday, 17th - Zone Athletics Carnival
- Thursday, 19th - GOLD BADGE ASSEMBLY
- Thursday, 19th - 'SCHOOL SPECTACULAR' AT THE OPERA HOUSE

Principal's Award

KK	Momina	For taking pride in her school work and producing work at a high standard.
KM	Donya	For recognising the difference between a letter, a word, and a sentence during guided reading groups.
	Abrar	For working well during literacy groups and being kind to others.
KO	Ayush	For being an excellent role model by always demonstrating the six ANPS values.
	Nasser	For always trying his best to contribute to class discussions.
KP	Cecilia	For consistent effort in homework and all areas of learning.
	Shakhzod	For making significant improvement in handwriting.
1DI	Ola	For her continued effort in class even with a broken arm.
	Simmy	For her enthusiastic attitude towards her learning.
1K	Khadeejah	For taking pride in her work and classroom. For demonstrating kindness and helpfulness to peers.
	Sakeena	For being a trustworthy member of 1K who demonstrates responsibility towards work and kindness towards peers.
1L	Celia	For improving her reading and concentration during guided reading time and using different reading strategies.
	Jonathan	For making an effort to improve his reading level and counting backwards.
2/1C	Samy	For improved concentration in class and trying hard to follow the 5L's.
	Hasan	For writing an excellent description on koalas.
2P	William	For his efforts to answer questions using full sentences.
	William	For always trying his best during all classroom activities.

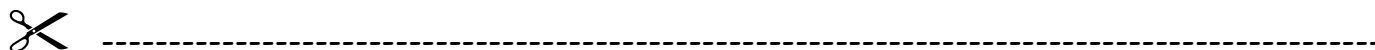
2S	Ali Elijah	For being a responsible and thoughtful scientist. For always being a kind and positive friend and an enthusiastic member of the class.
4/3H	Ali Kerem	For his continued effort towards all learning areas. For his enthusiastic and mature approach in reading groups.
4/3V	Sogand	For being kind and friendly to her peers and working hard in class.
4/3K	Ali Reem	For making great progress in reading Arabic. For her conscious effort to improve in counting beyond '100'.
4/3R	Imdad Amy	For being a well-mannered and enthusiastic class member. For her diligent approach to all set tasks.
4/3S	Faiaz	For always respecting his peers and teacher.
5/4M	Fasiha Rebecca	For her improved reading and writing skills. For using a variety of strategies to spell unknown or difficult words.
5B	Abier Younes	For always being respectful and responsible. For trying so hard to improve his handwriting and bookwork.
5L	Mustafa Ricky	For always being a positive role model for his peers by showing respect to others. For his increased participation in whole class discussions.
6L	Khaled Zolfaghar	For his outstanding project on 'The Volcano in Iceland'. For all the wonderful effort he puts into maths lessons.
6T	Allieu Mariam	For taking on a leadership role while choreographing a fitness routine. For her enthusiasm when helping others and being a positive role model for her peers.
Chinese CL	Ada 4/3H	For her neat and tidy work as well as her excellent behaviour in the Chinese class.
Turkish CL	Talia 6T	For accepting responsibility in Turkish class and for using Turkish class time wisely.
Dari CL	Sonia 5B	For always being punctual in Dari lessons and doing her Dari homework all the time and on time.

We are now accepting enrolments for **Kindergarten 2011**. If your child turns 5 before the 31st July 2011, please fill out the form below or request an enrolment form at the school office. The form can be filled out at home then returned to school with an Australian Birth Certificate or Passport/Visa if born overseas. We will also require your child's Immunisation Record.

If you know of any neighbours, friends or relatives who do not have any children at Auburn North PS, but they have a child who should start Kindergarten next year at Auburn North, please pass on this information to them.

The Kindergarten Orientation Program, '**Starting School**', will run for 3 sessions next term. Once you have enrolled your child you will be sent information regarding the dates.

Our 1st Kindergarten Orientation day will be 9:15 - 10:45 am on Thursday 11th November, 2010.



Kindergarten Enrolment 2011

Please send an enrolment form home with my son/daughter _____
of class _____ (First Name) (Surname)

2011 Student's Name: _____
(First name) (Last name)

Student's Date of Birth: _____
(day) (month) (year)
