PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
PSP SURVEY - IMPORTANT
If you have a child in kindergarten, years 1, 2 or 3 we urgently need you to complete a quick, confidential survey. Many of you have already completed this survey and we thank you. Your completion of this survey will help our school have the chance to secure approximately $350,000 and extra teachers over the next 4 years. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET COMPLETED THIS SURVEY WE HAVE SENT THE SURVEY HOME WITH YOUR CHILD FOR YOU TO COMPLETE. Please return immediately. Thank you for your support.

Harmony Day and Star Badge Assembly
Thank you to everyone who was able to join us last Wednesday to help celebrate Harmony Day. Tatafu Polota-Nua, the star Wallabies player is a great supporter of the Harmony Day message and it was wonderful to have him at our school. In addition, our first special Star Badge assembly for 2012 was held on the same day - congratulations to all the Star Badge recipients.

Happy 25 Birthday, Playgroup
Last week our Playgroup celebrated its 25 Birthday. It was a lovely celebration with many parents, preschoolers and the local paper joining us to help mark a this special occasion. Mrs Allen was rightly very proud of our wonderful Playgroup and the 20 years of outstanding service she has dedicated to it. Thank you.

Congratulations
Congratulations to Yousif Elsaj from K/1H who played in the Junior A-League game at the Parramatta versus Warriors game. It’s wonderful to see such talent at a young age. Auburn West Public School is very proud of his achievements and wishes him all the best in his sporting goals. J Selby

STAFF CHANGES
We would like to congratulate Mr Dizdar, our School Education Director, on his appointment as Regional Director, South West Sydney Region. Mr Selby has been selected to replace Mr Dizdar from Monday 26 March until the end of Term 2. As a result, Mr Vassila will be Relieving Principal, Ms Manners will be Relieving Deputy Principal and Mrs Draven will be Relieving Assistant Principal for this time. Miss McKenzie has been selected to teach KM until the end of Term 2. We are fortunate to have Miss McKenzie, a wonderful teacher who has worked in our school throughout the term.

The Mirror Project
On Saturday fifteen students from our school choir spent the day at Auburn Town Hall. These students worked with Auburn PS, Auburn North PS, Hampden Park PS and the Sydney Children's Choir in a range of singing, dance, drama and art workshops. This is the beginning of a project based on the picture book ‘Mirror’ by Jeannie Baker. Congratulations to all the students who represented our school well and made new friends with students from many different schools. L Hodges

TEACHER EXCURSION
On Tuesday 13 March, Mrs Jalili organised a visit to the Gallipoli Mosque and ISRA for teachers and staff from our school. Ms Bird, Miss Seymour, Ms Galvin, Mrs Agar, Ms Saidel and Crystal from the Salvation Army were able to take part in this excursion to learn more about the Auburn community.

Our first stop was ISRA. There we learned about the educational programs and courses offered by the Islamic Science Research Academic school.

The next stop was the Gallipoli Mosque where we were very lucky to have Mashid Ansari take us on a tour. She was extremely informative and explained about the many aspects of Islam. We all admired the architecture and beauty of the mosque.

We came away with a greater understanding of our Auburn community and look forward to our next excursion. Thank you Mrs Jalili for organising this for us. S Galvin
AUBURN LIBRARY NEWS

Auburn, Lidcombe, Regents Park and Newington Libraries have some exciting school holiday activities organised for the next holidays. Jennifer Allen from Auburn Library will be outlining some of the activities during assembly in Week 11. These activities include a Mini Beast Bug Show, Craft Table and Party Games. Bookings are essential for all of these events and a small booking fee applies. To book call the Children’s Team on 9735 1250.

J Kennedy

auburn zone swimming carnival

On Wednesday 7 March 2012, eight children represented the school at the Auburn Zone Swimming Carnival at Granville Aquatic Centre.

Congratulations to the following students on their performance and behaviour on the day:

Sandy Akil
Zahra Morgani
Eren Arslan
Abdul Akkouche
Rayhanna Mohammad
Toufic Bakri
Ali Ahmadshahi
Buckar Eid

Z El-Chami and O Logan-Pye

terms 1 & 2 2012 events

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