Dear Parents & Carers,

**GRID OF COSTS**
Thank you to all those parents who have completed paying their Grid of Costs. However, there are some swimming fees still to be paid and we would like to have these finalised by the end of this term as swimming begins in Term 4. Thank you for your assistance with this.

**SCHOOL ENROLMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN**
Due to our rapid growth in student enrolments from 2013-2014, our school is once again subject to an Enrolment Management Plan. This means that students residing within our catchment and siblings of those currently enrolled students who reside outside our catchment, will always be assured of a position at our school. Students who reside outside our catchment (with no siblings currently enrolled at our school), may still be offered a position at NASS, subject to availability, and positions will be offered in order of receipt of application. Parents who are considering enrolling their children at NASS are asked to contact the office to check if they are within the NASS catchment.

**2015 PREP ENROLMENTS**
Due to the above, all applications for 2015 Prep (both from within and beyond our catchment) are now due. This is equally important for students within catchment, as we can’t offer positions to out-of-catchment families until we know how many in-catchment enrolments we have. Thank you for your assistance with this. Just a reminder also, that our next ‘Transition to 2015 Prep’ afternoon is scheduled for Tuesday 9 September, from 1:40-3:00pm and all potential 2015 Preppies and their parents are invited to attend.

**LITERACY SUCCESS FOR NASS**
During Semester 2, our school has been selected (along with 50 others in the North Coast Region) to participate in the North Coast Region’s Success Project. This process is aimed at strengthening and supporting teaching practice in Reading and contributing to improved student outcomes through supported coaching and professional development sessions. So you may notice various staff members visiting different classrooms as different times, but rest assured, this is a great learning opportunity for our staff and therefore, will result in further great learning opportunities for our students!

Regards,
Kdly

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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Aug 27, 2014 Term 3, Week 7
Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held between Monday 8th and Friday 19th September for our Years 1-7 classes. For Prep, interviews will be in Term 4.

You can now book interviews at times that suit YOUR FAMILY BEST. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

BOOKINGS CLOSE FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER at 9am.

Enter THIS school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Congratulations to the following students who were awarded the Student of the Week Award for their classes today on Parade:

PREP: Isla, Fletcher, Milo, Charlie, Lewis, Julian, Thalia
YEAR 1: Maya, Jasper, Polly, Millie
YEAR 2: Arianna, Hank, Isla, Bridie, Laicy
YEAR 3: Summah, Jasmin, Connor
YEAR 4: Mia, Grace, Lily, Joss
YEAR 5: Abbie, Sonja, Eli, Ashley
YEAR 6: Ben, Asher, Justin
YEAR 7: Fionn, Josh, Lewis

TUCKSHOP NEWS: SPECIAL THIS WEEK—Fried Rice with Prawn Crackers.
We still need help in Tuckshop (Thu or Fri), even for a short time will help. Busiest times are 9:00-11:00am. Students in Years 5/6/7 participating in Interschool Sports will be unable to order tuckshop on Fridays.

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN NEWS
In the Kitchen Next week’s (2nd Sept) kitchen lessons are 9am - 3R, 11.40 - 4B, 1.40 - 6L. Regards,
Lis (SAKG Kitchen)

FATHER’S DAY STALL—5 SEPTEMBER
Please start sending in your gift donations to the office. (Remember food items must have ingredients labelled thanks!)

FACT-A-THON
Good luck to all students in their Fact-a-thon test this week. We hope you have collected lots of signatures as there is an iPod for the child who raises the most money! Forms need to be returned to their class teacher THIS WEEK.
Lesley Cividin, 2/3

Half Hexagon
Cutting a hexagon in half, like this, makes two pieces that are exactly the same size and shape.

Some of the shapes below have been made from the two halves of the hexagon and some of them haven’t. Draw circles around the shapes that are not made from the pieces shown above.

Silly Squabble Answer:

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Ten common discipline mistakes

Here are 10 common and easily avoided mistakes parents make when disciplining their children. Replace these mistakes with better techniques and you’ll be on your way to parenting easy street.

1. Setting no limits
   Boundaries, rules, expectations and standards teach kids what’s expected. Boys love them. They also like to push against them, so you need a firm backbone.

2. Failing to follow through.
   Talk! Threaten! Nag! No way! See No. 1 above.

3. Making consequences too harsh
   “You’re grounded for a month, Mr 6-year-old” is a tad harsh and will usually bring resentment, not to mention confusion. Stick to the 5 Rs – respectful, reasonable and related to the behaviour – when setting consequences and you can’t go too far wrong.

4. Applying consequences when you, or they, are angry
   When anger is in the air kids will become mad at you. If they listen at all. Calmness makes a huge difference to effectiveness at the point of discipline.

5. Mixing discipline with counselling
   Never mix the two as it sends mixed messages. If a child misbehaves manage that situation. If you suspect something negative is going on in their life, then deal with that at a separate time.

6. Deferring discipline
   Deferring discipline to a child care centre, preschool or school. This is taking the easy way out and teaches kids that you don’t have real authority. Have the confidence to be the authority and take a lead.

7. One parent is always the bad guy
   This gets wearing. Also it’s hard to have fun when you are the tough cop all the time. If you are in a two-parent situation take discipline in turns. If you are parenting solo, bring spares into the act.

We’ve all made mistakes when disciplining kids. Tiredness, emotion and lack of skill can get in the way of effective discipline. But part of the evolution and growth of you as a parent involves eradicating some of your old ways, and replacing them with new, more effective, more sophisticated ways of managing yourself and your kids.

For better, more sophisticated and more effective discipline techniques visit my online parenting manual – the ParentingIdeas Club. There are 1,000s of strategies waiting to be used. Take your FREE trial now at parentingideasclub.com.au