

Edition 22: 30 November 2017

## From the Principal

Term 4 Week 8

There are a lot of activities coming up during the last two weeks of the school year. Our Presentation Day will be held on Monday, 11 December, commencing at 9:30am with our Academic presentation and then continuing at 2.00pm for our Sports presentation. This year we are holding them during the day so that all our students can celebrate our school and student achievements. Everyone is welcome. If your child is receiving an award, they will get a special letter advising of this.

Notes will be coming out about class end of year parties and activities so keep a look out for these. Expect to have your child's work samples coming home over the next 2 weeks as well. They will be excited to show you work that they have been doing and it is always lovely to tuck some of these childhood treasures away as memories for a later date.

The school structure for 2018 is coming together and teachers will be looking at drafting up possible 2018 classes during these last weeks. Thank you once again to our parents who have written with requests for class placements next year. These will be taken into consideration but, as you know, teacher placements on classes or stages can change and the number of students per grade determines probable class orientations.

There will always be composite classes and split class teachers. Both of these combinations do have many advantages. Sometimes we forget that in any class, for example, a Kindergarten class you could have children ranging from 4.5 years to 6.5 years. A two year age range which really is like a composite class to begin with. There are always pros and cons for every situation. What is important is to make the best class placement for each child given their level of learning, social skills and special needs.

## **Talent Show**

A huge thank you to Mrs Louise Rayner for organising and running the Talent Show. We do have some very talented students in our school who excel in the performing arts area. The Talent Show was wonderful and showed just how inclusive our school is. What a warm feeling it gives you when you see children of different cultures, genders and disabilities performing together to present an amazing concert. Well done everyone! So proud of you all.

## **Concerning trend**

Are you aware that your child might be active on social media? Are you monitoring their use? **A new concern** has come to light over our students' use of the social media site known as **musical.ly** and once again **Snap Chat.** 

**Musical.ly** (stylized as **musical.ly**) is a Chinese video <u>social network app</u> for video creation, messaging, and live broadcasting. Users can also send private messages to their friends using the direct.ly feature.

If you allow your child to use these or other social media sites please check that they are using it appropriately and not as a form of cyber-bullying, and that they have the understanding and maturity about being responsible when using any form of social media. A digital footprint lasts a life-time. The law states that children under the age of 13 should not be accessing social media. The school is using a huge amount of resources and time to sort out incidents involving social media that is happening out of school hours but involving school students. I ask you to support the school and your children by monitoring what your child is doing on social media.

Have a great couple of weeks everyone.

Ms Ona Buckley Principal

## Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Weeks 8 and 9

This week teachers have been teaching their students about how to 'Be Safe' when playing under the COLA before school and at break times. Lessons have focused on the importance of staying in-bounds, and students have been reminded that games that involve running or the throwing/kicking of large balls should be played on the oval.

Next week students will learn about what it means to be responsible when they are using their own equipment, or equipment that belongs to other people. Activities will focus on the caring for belongings, and in particular, keeping items clean from scribble and graffiti.

As always, students who successfully demonstrate positive behaviours that are in line with the schoolwide expectations set out in our school rules, will be rewarded with Win Bin tickets and stars on their Star Charts. Those students who have consistently demonstrated positive behaviour over the course of the term will receive their end-of-term PBL reward in Week 10. Kindergarten students will participate in a 'Wheels Party' under the COLA, Stage 1 students will have a movie afternoon in the school hall, Stage 2 students will take a trip down to the waterfront for some lunch and some organised games and Stage 3 students will take in a movie, complete with popcorn and 'spiders'. Students will need to have earned at least **seven** stars on their star charts in order to be eligible to receive these rewards. Please note that these rewards do not replace end-of-year celebratory events, and that <u>all</u> students are entitled to attend and participate in the end-of-year grade celebrations.

If you have any questions related to the school's PBL program or about student wellbeing policies and practices, please direct them to either myself or Ms Buckley.

## Mr Dan Betts

Assistant Principal (Student Wellbeing)

## International Day for People with a Disability

Our school will celebrate International Day for People with a Disability on Tuesday, 5 December. Celebrations will include performances and displays at a morning assembly, followed by a picnic lunch with parents. All community members are invited to join in the celebration of this important day.

## Stage 2 Star Chart Rewards Day

Stage 2 will be rewarding students who have achieved 7 out of 9 possible stars on their chart this term with a reward picnic at Lion's Park on Wednesday, 13 December. Students who did not achieve this will stay at school and be supervised by Mr Betts. We will be supplying fish and chips as a special treat on the day. The students need to bring something to sit on and may wear mufti on the day. They can also bring along some party food if desired. We very much appreciate these students and congratulate them on their positive behaviour throughout the term.

Mrs Rayner and the Stage 2 team

## P-6 Academic Achievement Awards Week 8

Congratulations to the following recipients of our Academic Achievement Awards at our Week 8 P-6 Assembly.

Name	Class	Name	Class
Saarah Mehdi	K-6PC	Kallam Baverstock	K-6W
Erin Davis	KLP	Ivan Larino	KRM
Laura Jahn	KW	Alyssa Holden	K/1M
Benjamin Worthington-Vandenberg	1C	Caleb Keuning	1M
Scarlett Piasente	1/2Y	Lily Stockings	2K
Summer Tabone-Zammit	2S	Lana Corkill	3/4B
Zachery Zurawski	3/4C	Annabella Gemmell	3/4R
Reagan Crankshaw	3/4T	Nadia Krohn-Said	3-6S
Noah Hunt	5/6B	Polya Penkina	5/6H
Keira Pusko	5/6S		



## **Christmas Gift Donations**

Thank you to those who have already donated a gift towards the St Vincent de Paul Xmas collection. **The last day for donations will be Friday, 1 December 2017.** 

We are collecting donations of new unwrapped gifts for disadvantaged families in our community which are collected and distributed by St Vincent de Paul. Please place your donations into the Xmas bin located in the school office.

## 2017 Talent Show

Wow what talented kids we have in our school! I am very happy to have had the pleasure in working with such a dynamic hard-working and extremely talented group of kids. The cast of 'Ballerina Bullies 2' did an outstanding job in their roles for the play that we collaboratively wrote as a sequel to last year's play. We performed this week for the whole school and then a special parent show yesterday. Thanks to all the lovely parents and community members who attended our show, and the powerful, positive messages of support and congratulations afterwards. It was greatly appreciated by Mrs Rayner and the cast. There were lots of acts that showcased an incredibly vast array of talent, from gymnastics, singing and comedy to tap-dancing, piano and even the Keystone Cops made an appearance! A huge thank you to our wonderful P&C who have assisted with the installation of an excellent sound system that makes creative arts performance possible in our school, now and in the future. Working with the kids and providing them the opportunity to perform to an audience and watching their smiling faces and excitement, is a joy!

Mrs Rayner Talent Show Coordinator

## **Upcoming Events Calendar**

	Term 4					
Week 8	Dec	1	Deepwater Court Kindergarten Christmas visit			
Week 9		4	Special Ed Rewards Day at Monkey Mania			
		5	Disability Day Performance			
		6	Parent Helpers Morning Tea			
	Scripture Combined Assembly					
Week 10		11	Presentation Day (Academic and Sports)			
		12	Stage 2 Christmas Party at the Movies			
		13	Stage 2 Rewards Day			
			Year Six Farewell Dinner			
	14 Stage 3 Picnic Day		Stage 3 Picnic Day			
		15	Year Six Farewell Assembly			
			Last Day Term 4 2017			
	School returns Tuesday, 30 January 2018!					





## **Aspire Home Reading**



Congratulations to the following students who have reached their 50, 75,100, 150, 175, 200, 225, 250 and 275 nights of home reading!

## 50 Nights

Euan Magee 2S, Mahlia Smith 1/2Y, Hokin Lam 3/4C, Ashton Boyle 2S 75 Nights Tyrone O'Hara KRM, Erik Jahn 3/4C, Ashton Boyle 2S, Connor Caulfield 2S **100 Nights** Hope Graf 1/2Y, Thomas Conquest 1/2Y, Scarlett Piasente 1/2Y, Ashton Boyle 2S, Saarah Mehdi K-6PC **150 Nights** Noah Brown KRM, Imogen Graham 1/2Y, Elise Introna 2S 175 nights Imogen Graham 1/2Y, George Kassi-Hurley K-6PC 200 nights Emma Gavin KRM, James Dukes 1/2Y, Jackson Wang 1/2Y 225 nights Annabelle Durrand 1/2Y, Vivien Ding 3/4C, Bronson Thomas 3/4C 250 nights Annabelle Durrand 1/2Y, Vivien Ding 3/4C 275 nights Annabelle Durrand 1/2Y, Vivien Ding 3/4C, Adam Cooper 3/4C

## Multicultural Calendar - December

## Heritage Calendar for Cultural Diversity



## **DECEMBER 2017**

## This month's community language is **PORTUGUESE**

SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> - INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH A DISABLITY TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> - ANNIVERSARY DAY - THAILAND MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> - ARABIC LANGUAGE DAY (UN) SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> - EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAY - JAPAN



## Snack Shack News

Over the coming two weeks, canteen stock will be limited due to the end of the year. Please note that there will be no orders taken on the last school day of the year, Friday, 15 December. There will, however, be food on the counter for sale – a pot luck day!

## **Canteen Roster**

Mon	4.12.17	Rebecca
Tue	5.12.17	Alice
Wed	6.12.17	Janet
Thu	7.12.17	Kay
Fri	8.12.17	Mel
Mon	11.12.17	-
Tue	12.12.17	Leanne
Wed	13.12.17	Janet
Thu	14.12.17	Vicki
Fri	15.12.17	Sue

Thank you to all the volunteers who help out in the canteen. We could not operate as efficiently without your wonderful help!

If you would like to volunteer in the Canteen next year, please come and see me. Thanks, Anne.

## Kitchen/Garden News

## Kitchen Garden Program 2018

## Acknowledgement of Continued Support

Anne Wilson, our lovely school canteen manager, has been a dedicated supporter of our Kitchen/Garden program and our 'Cooking for our Parents' restaurant nights.

We would like to thank Anne for her continuing assistance and support.

Anne, you're a star!

SAKG Team





## After School Taekwondo Classes – Cubbyhouse

Cubbyhouse After School Care wish to congratulate all the children who completed their first grading in Jinhwa Taekwondo. They have worked really hard over the last two terms and will achieve a yellow tip on their belts. We will continue to offer this extra curricular activity all of next year and if you would like your child to learn Taekwondo in the school hall weekly come join Cubbyhouse!



## **Operation Christmas Child**



Thank you everyone for your kind donations towards our Operation Christmas Child collection. The community raised \$580 and we were able to send 45 shoeboxes to the Samaritan's Purse to help children in less fortunate situations have a happy Christmas.



## P&C News



The next meeting will be held Wednesday, 6 December at 7pm in the school staff room. Please come along and join us for our final meeting of the year. If you have any questions about how the P&C runs or how you can be involved, please contact us via the email <u>wwpspandc@live.com.au</u>.

### Fundraising Update

Our **Christmas Raffle Tickets** went home last Friday. These tickets are \$2 each. When returning your book and money, please put them together in an envelope or a sealed ziplock bag and place them in the silver tub located in the front office.

Prizes are amazing!

1st prize:	2 night stay at The Mantra
2nd prize:	Indulgence pamper pack
3rd prize:	Holiday Family fun pack

Further prizes include:

- Wendy's Ice Cream cake voucher up to \$60
- Mobi Me pack
- 3 month membership to Anytime Fitness
- 3 month membership to Hot Yoga

If you would like more tickets to sell you can find these at the front office.

Delivery date for Billy G's Cookie Dough will be on <u>Friday, 8 December</u>. Orders will be available for pick up in the Hall from 2pm.

Thank you to the small but merry group of parents and educators that came and got some of their Christmas shopping done at our Casey's Toy Warehouse fundraising night. You have helped provide resources to the school with 20% of your purchases coming back to the school community. Congratulations to the lucky door prize winners Monika, Katrina and Trish.

### School Banking Update

Please note that with school holidays fast approaching Friday, 1 December 2017 will be the last day to order any rewards so that we can make sure they arrive before the end of term.

Any orders received after this date will not be processed until Term 1 2018.

The last day of school banking for this year is Friday, 8 December.

## Tokyo Disneyland Competition

We'd like to say a big congratulations to H. Phillips from Banora Point Public School in northern NSW who was the lucky winner of the School Banking Future Savers competition. The lucky winner is going on a family trip to Tokyo, Japan, including an exciting visit to Tokyo Disneyland and Tokyo DisneySea. For more details about the competition, visit <u>commbank.com.au/schoolbanking</u>

Thank you to every child that made 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3 this year it's great to see so many kids displaying regular savings behaviour.

## Thank you for supporting the School Banking program.

## Uniform Shop Update

The Uniform Shop is open every Wednesday 8.30 - 9.00am. For those parents/carers that are unable to attend Uniform Shop opening times, please complete an order form and email it to wwpsuniforms@outlook.com. Your order will be processed once payment has been received and your requested items will be provided to your child via their class as indicated on the order form.

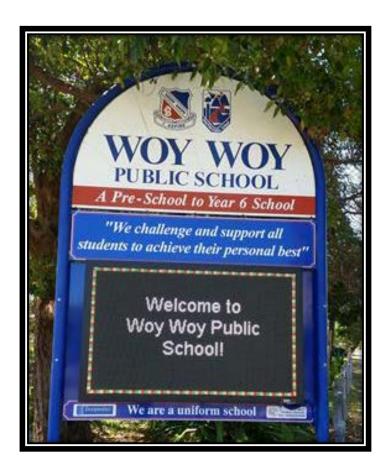
The uniform shop will be closed during the last week of school for stocktake. Wednesday, 6 December will be our final opening day for the year.

School holiday opening times are as follows:

Tuesday, 23 January Thursday, 25 January Monday, 29 January Tuesday, 31 January Wednesday, 1 February 8.30am - 9.00am

9.30am -11.30am 5.30pm - 7.30pm 10.00am - 2.00pm 8.30am – 9.30am

January 2018 Calendar						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	×	24	×	26	27
28	×	30	×			



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## TO INFINITY & BEYOND Astronomy for Kids

# Monday 15 January 2018

Starts at 8pm – Registration at Memorial Hall, 9 Diamond Road



After a fascinating visual presentation we will walk to the beachfront for a telescope viewing with local astronomy enthusiast, Paul Wickham

Limited to 20 kids – 8 to 14 years Bookings essential: 4344 2319 Cost per child \$5, parents free! pearlbeachprogress.org.au

