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Newsletter Term 4, Week 5

Principal's Post

World Teachers Day

World Teachers Day was celebrated on 25th October. A big thank you to the P&C for your thoughtfulness in recognising the work of our teachers by providing morning tea for all staff. It's nice to know that the important role we play in shaping the next generation is appreciated and valued. There are more than 160,000 teachers in New South Wales, teaching over 810,000 students in 2,200 New South Wales government schools. This is the largest education system in Australia.



New classes in 2020

The Department will be establishing four new classes on our site in 2020, with the intended start date of day 1, term 1. The demountable buildings will be situated in the back grassed area facing the Middle School playground. This will take our class numbers to 17 and approximate student numbers to between 110 and 120 (a very rough guess). With these new classes comes four teacher and four SLSO positions, an increase in School Administrative Officer hours, a General Assistant for five days per week and a Deputy Principal



Relieving Principal

As you read this, I will be on leave. I will be away during week 5 and in my absence Mandy Hyeronimus will be relieving as Principal.



New classroom teacher

As a result of the recent Merit Selection process, Rachael Hooker was successful in gaining the vacant classroom teacher position at our school. Rachael is the current teacher on Wattle class and comes with a wealth of knowledge and experience teaching students with complex sensory and behaviour difficulties. She has an excellent ability to incorporate sensory and art activities into the curriculum to engage all students.



School Administration Staff Changes

In term 4 Carla accepted a temporary position as School Administrative Manager at Bateman's Bay Public School. We welcome Therese as she joins our administration staff three days per week. In the office we now have Mel (School Administrative Manager), Carol (School Administrative Officer) and Therese (School Administrative Officer). Please contact the office staff if you have any questions or need to pass



information about your child onto the school.

Mel (SAM)

Carol (SAO)
(SAO)

Therese

New South Wales Primary Principals Association Annual Conference

Last week I was fortunate to have the opportunity to attend the New South Wales Primary Principals Association Annual Conference, with over 620 Principal colleagues from across the state. The theme of the conference was "Building Us". The vision of the conference was to lead, support, advocate for, and empower leaders to enable student success. During the three day conference we had the opportunity to listen to some remarkable men and women including Julie Bishop (former Foreign Minister), Dylan Alcott (wheelchair athlete and Paralympian gold medallist), Emma Alberici (journalist) and Gill Hicks (survivor of the London bombings). These speakers were able to inspire us with their own stories of overcoming adversity and tragedy.

Jennifer Neradovsky
Principal



Schoolzine on line newsletter

The school has recently subscribed to an online newsletter platform called Schoolzine. We intend to make this available to all families from the first newsletter in 2020. Please watch out for more information about this as we try to move away from paper newsletters.

Roof Restoration

The Department is undertaking a significant amount of work over the coming weeks to repair water damage in a large section of our roof. Work will happen on the roof over Wattle and Waratah classes and the adjoining bathroom and kitchen, on the roof of the administration and office block, the internal corridor from Waratah room to the front foyer, over the internal foyer and void, over the external void (parent pick up area), the staffroom, library and P&C rooms.

While work is planned to be done in stages, to minimise disruption to school routines, there will still need to be changes made to accommodate the work. Please be patient with us, as we do not know at exactly what time each section will be worked on. The major disruption to families will be when the offices and administration areas are repaired as we may have to relocate for a short period.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS—TERM 4

Week 6 November

Tuesday 19 Orientation Day 2020 students

Week 7

Friday 29 Year 12 Formal

Week 8 December

Tuesday 3rd Presentation Day Assembly

Week 9

Thursday 12 Afternoon & Evening Concert

Week 10

Tuesday 17 Family Fun Day

PBIS Awards

Class	I care about Learning	I care for Myself	I care for the Environment	I care for Property	I care for Others
Echidna	Michael Cooper	Joshua	Codon		
Wallaby	Ryker		Ayash		Reece
Koala	Daniel	Laith	Luke		
Kookaburra	Bill	Joshua	Breanna Nathan		
Emu	Lucas , Liam	Joshua	Calum, Ebony Rishant, Liam		
Bilby	Ben, Jawad	Jawad	Jay G		
Kangaroo		Isabella	Madelyn, Tylah Ethan P, Thomas		
Melaleuca	Andrew		Tabitha, Synamyn		
Bottlebrush		Kane			Adam
Grevillea			Nicholas James		
Banksia	Tamazin	Ethan S			
Wattle	David Ben	Drew	Hayley		
Waratah		Mohamed Zachary	Tama		

Sports Awards

Sport	Junior School	Middle School	Senior School
SPORT AWARD	John H, Ayash	Madelyn	Samuel
AUSSIE SEP/OCT	Laith, Roxlee	Maddie A, Orlando	Mitchell , Kane W

Aussies of the Month Awards

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH JUNIOR SCHOOL

September 2019

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Laith Sakoua

Since starting kindergarten this year, Laith has transitioned into his first year of school with excitement and enthusiasm for learning, making friends and helping others. Laith enjoys helping with jobs around the classroom, helping his peers unpack their school bags each morning and giving praise to his classmates. Laith has shown an eagerness to complete his work by engaging with learning and discussing ideas, learning new skills such as his alphabet and counting to 5, swimming with increased confidence, playing ball games and transitioning around the school. Laith is always eager to say good morning to peers and staff and begin his school day with a positive attitude. When his peers are hurt, Laith always rushes to their side to offer assistance and support. Well done Laith and keep up the awesome effort!



Jennifer Neradovsky
Jennifer Neradovsky
Principal

Date: 28.10.2019

IN RECOGNITION OF VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS



AUSSIE OF THE MONTH MIDDLE SCHOOL

September 2019

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Madelyn Almeida

Madelyn has made great progress in Kangaroo class this year. She is generally a happy student and will greet her peers and teachers each morning. With verbal support, she will share and take turns and will accept support to participate in group activities. Madelyn has demonstrated a more positive attitude towards her schooling. This is reflected in a willingness to participate in all work tasks in the classroom with increased independence. Madelyn tries her best during any learning activity she is presented and she continually engages in her learning environment. She will usually follow class routines and school rules with minimal support and is consistently working on making good choices in all parts of her school day. She is a valued member of our school community and thoroughly deserving to receive this award.



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Date: 28.10.2019

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AUSSIE OF THE MONTH SENIOR SCHOOL

September 2019

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Mitchell Taylor

Mitchell is a happy, friendly and compliant member of the senior school. He always completes work tasks and requests with enthusiasm and to the best of his ability. Mitchell has become very social with his peers in the classroom and on the playground, developing some meaningful friendships with other senior school students. He is always polite to staff, greeting them in an appropriate manner and volunteers support with transitioning to the playground by opening doors for students with less mobility to pass through. Mitchell has a very good sense of humour which he enjoys sharing with his friends and staff. He is a very valued member of the senior area of the school and we congratulate him on being a worthy recipient of Aussie of the Month for September.



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Principal

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Aussies of the Month Awards

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH JUNIOR SCHOOL

October 2019

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Roxlee Endicott



Roxlee always arrives at school with a positive attitude. He greets staff and students in a friendly way. Roxlee always follows instructions and accepts help when needed. He shows enthusiasm for learning and is willing to try new things. Roxlee has also shown great care for his environment in the way that he cares for the school gardens, safely watering and harvesting the plants. In addition, Roxlee cares for others in the way that he helps his peers with their work, interacting in a positive manner, as well as patiently waiting for others and taking turns. Congratulations of being this month's Aussie of the Month. We are very impressed by how well he has adjusted to the Mary Brooksbank School environment.



Mandy Hyeronimus
Jennifer Neradovsky per
Principal

Date: 11.11.2019

IN RECOGNITION OF VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS



AUSSIE OF THE MONTH MIDDLE SCHOOL

October 2019

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Orlando Gonzalez



Orlando is always happy and laughing and enjoys coming to school. He enjoys interacting with peers and staff in the classroom and on the playground. Orlando demonstrates patience and cooperation when waiting for his turn and accepts assistance from staff during class activities. He happily participates in group activities and always portrays a high level of enthusiasm and engagement towards all learning activities, especially when learning activities incorporate the use of technology. Orlando has also been working hard to sit on his chair and stand at his table with minimal physical support. He is a valued member of our school community and thoroughly deserving to receive this award.



Mandy Hyeronimus
Jennifer Neradovsky per Mandy Hyeronimus
Principal

Date: 12.11.19

IN RECOGNITION OF VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS



AUSSIE OF THE MONTH SENIOR SCHOOL

October 2019

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Kane Walsh



Kane is having a fantastic term. He engages with all his classwork and is eager to learn. Kane has been fantastic at remaining calm during class and engaging with learning. He continues to always be helpful in watering and weeding the gardens. He has also been helpful in opening and closing the gates on Mondays and Fridays. He is polite when he talks to staff and is always ready to help when asked. He was also eager to help cook the fundraising BBQ and support the event by collecting the coin donations.

Well done on a fantastic Term Kane!



Mandy Hyeronimus
Jennifer Neradovsky per Mandy Hyeronimus
Principal

Date: 11.11.2019

IN RECOGNITION OF VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS



P & C NEWS

We had a great turn up of people for our last P&C meeting on 4th October. We began planning for our Christmas Family Fun Day which will be held at the school on Tuesday 17th December. This is a wonderful day for students and families, so please save the date.

The P & C AGM will be coming up, details will be sent home soon.

Kind regards

P&C Committee

Below are pictures from the Camden Council Carer's Day:



P & C NEWS

Expression of Interest

Mary Brooksbank P&C is a volunteer organisation that is looking for an Administrative Assistant to work casually for a minimum of 5 hours per week, within school hours with the possibility of extra hours when required.

Duties include:

Liaising with P&C Bus Drivers, organising relief drivers, organising servicing of vehicles, organising heavy duty inspections, entering bus run sheets online, sales of uniforms including collection and banking of money & regular stocktake of uniforms. The person would liaise with the P&C Bookkeeper to ensure accounts are prepared for P&C meetings in week 4 and week 8 of each term on a Monday as well as purchasing of merchandise for special events. We are looking for someone with a can do attitude who is flexible in their approach to work and able to deal with conflicting priorities.

If you are interested or know someone who may be please put together a one page Expression of Interest outlining your work and other experience that would make you suitable for this role.

Please return your Expression of Interest to the P&C President by Tuesday 26.11.19

Community News

The Active Kids program will offer two \$100 vouchers a year for each child.



Active Kids allows parents of school enrolled children to claim two \$100 vouchers to use towards sport and active recreation costs each year.

This year, the first voucher was available to claim in January. A second voucher will be available via MyService NSW on 1 July 2019. Both vouchers expire on 31 December 2019.

Parents can use the vouchers at a [registered activity provider](#) (external link).

In the first 18 months of the program, more than 1 million vouchers were redeemed and \$100 million saved in fees and sports registration costs.

NSW Treasurer Dominic Perrottet said these household savings have contributed to a spike in registrations across NSW.

"The NSW Government is doing everything we can to help ease the cost of living for families, and by adding a second \$100 voucher we hope to see parents being able to keep their kids active all year-round," Mr Perrottet said.

Minister for Sport John Sidoti said another voucher for kids is another win for families in NSW.

"Just as the second Active Kids voucher provides even greater opportunity for children to participate in sport and active recreation, it reduces costs for hard working families," Mr Sidoti said.

For more information, and to apply for your vouchers:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/news-and-events/news/claim-a-second-active-kids-voucher-for-your-child/>



NEED HELP WITH MYGOV?

Join Department of Human Services staff for free, personalised help using your MyGov account and accessing services such as Medicare and Centrelink. Individual help sessions run for 20 minutes.

LIVERPOOL CITY LIBRARY

4 October, 11am – 1pm

1 November, 11am – 1pm

6 December, 11am – 1pm

Free

LIVERPOOL CITY LIBRARY

LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

Department of Human Services
MyGov account support
11am to 1pm, 4 Oct, 1 Nov, 6 Dec



Bookings required. Visit mylibrary.liverpool.nsw.gov.au or call 8711 7177 to register. Interpreters available on request.

Sausage Sizzle

Thank you to all our wonderful families that supported our fundraiser for the drought relief, together as a school community we raised a total of \$262.50.



Well done to Bottlebrush class for organising this fundraiser and a very special mention of appreciation to Ha Lam for donating the loaves of bread for this great cause.

Community News



2019 Client Christmas Party



You are invited to attend the
AASS Client Christmas party on
**Sunday 1st December from
11am until 1pm**

AASS House - 88 Memorial Ave, Liverpool

Please RSVP number of Adults and Children attending to
reception@aass.org.au

*** A light lunch provided on the day ***

Raffle tickets will be sold on the day
\$1 each - with lots of prizes to be won



Autism Advisory and Support Service - 88 Memorial Ave, Liverpool NSW 2170
*TEL: (02) 9601-2844 FAX: (02) 9601-1333 * Email: info@aass.org.au
* Web: www.aass.org.au 24 Hour Autism Hotline 1300 222 777



Autism Advisory
& Support Service

The Autism Advisory and Support Service (AASS) provides a range of services to support, advocate, help, educate and guide families who have a family member with Autism as well as the greater community.

Relying heavily on donations and grants, AASS have proudly accomplished the opening of an Autism Community House in Liverpool, the only 24 Hour Autism Hotline in the southern hemisphere, Individual and group therapy, School outreach, Professional Development, Support Groups, Social Groups, Parent Workshops and lots more.

We understand firsthand, how difficult it can be navigating a diagnosis, services, education and social events for our beautiful children

Ph: 9601 2844

Email: info@aass.org.au

Web: www.aass.org.au



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Provider

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Claymore NSW 2559



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- Driving offences

- Problems with Centrelink
- Mortgage Stress

For an appointment
phone Claymore
Community Centre
02 4626 2007



Community News



LIONS CLUB OF PARRAMATTA Inc

ABN: 67 678 102 405 LIONS DISTRICT 101 NS
Telephone: 02 9699 3895
Fax: 02 9699 3205



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS Magic SHOW

A project by The Lions Club of Parramatta Inc and Kids Big Fun Day Out Events,
for special needs children and families.

Lions Club of Parramatta would like to invite any members and their families from your organisation to "Children's Christmas Magic Show". It will be held on Saturday 14th December 2019 at QUAYCENTRE (Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre).

There are three (3) available show times commencing promptly at 12.30pm, 2.30pm and 4.30pm, although we ask those needing assistance to arrive at least 30 minutes prior.

We are offering FREE tickets to this event to all special needs as well as care givers and family members who would like to attend. These tickets to you are completely FREE OF CHARGE and made possible by the generosity of your local business and professional people.

We request that you email or fax us the number of tickets you require by latest WEDNESDAY 11th December 2019.

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to call Jenny Goodman during business hours on 02 9699 3895

Yours sincerely



Jenny Goodman
Kids Big Fun Day Out

FOR YOUR FREE TICKETS PLEASE EMAIL OR FAX:

lionsparra@KIDSbigFUNdayOUTevents.com.au

- FAX: 02 9699 3205

NUMBER OF TICKETS: SHOW 1 @ 12.30PM _____

SHOW 2 @ 2.30PM _____

SHOW 3 @ 4.30PM _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

ORGANISATION from or heard about show from _____

Your Tel: _____ Your Fax: _____

POSTAL ADDRESS: _____

YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

☐ Please tick if you would like your tickets emailed
(saves time and postage)

A project by The Lions Club of Parramatta Inc and Kids Big Fun Day Out Events
ABN 67678 102405
Po Box 3130 North Parramatta NSW 1750

Community News

CAMPBELLTOWN AREA OUTREACH EVENT

Monday 25th November, 10.30am – 1pm

@ WOODBINE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

83A NORTH STEYNE ROAD WOODBINE

Families experiencing financial hardship can drop-in to;

- **Pick up a food pack (these must be pre-ordered ahead of time by Monday 18th November and are for eligible clients only. Only 25 food packs available – first come, first served. Text 0402 787 571 for an assessment form)**
- **Collect free toiletry packs, nappies and other essentials**
- **Browse clothing, toys and other items**
- **GET SUPPORT WITH BUDGETING AND FAMILY FINANCES**
- **Receive free resources to help with managing your money**

NO CASH OR VOUCHERS WILL BE AVAILABLE

Sydney Help Hub is an initiative of

For further information visit prosperprojectaustralia.org or call 0402 787 571

