



Newsletter 2018

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Tuesday 14th August 2018

Book Week Fun!

Dates to Note:

- Wed 1st Aug to 26th Sept

Badminton 11.30 am

- Fri 17th Aug

PSSA Sport Yrs 3 to 6

- Tues 21st Aug

Book Week Activities-
Pie-Rats & Pizza &
Treasure Hunt

- Wed 22nd Aug

Zone Athletics -Track

- Thurs 23rd Aug

Heading to High School
Yr 6 at Galston Public
School 9am to 11am

Assembly—2:30 pm

- Fri 24th Aug

PSSA Sport Yrs 3 to 6

- Thurs 30th Aug

Fiver for a Farmer

- Fri 31st Aug

PSSA Sport Yrs 3 to 6

- Wed 5th Sept to
Fri 7th Sept

Yrs 5 & 6 Milson Island
Camp

- Wed 5th Sept

Longneck Lagoon
Stage 2 Enrichment Day

PieRat & Pizza & Treasure Hunt –Book Week Activities: Next Tuesday we will be celebrating Book Week with a day of fun and educational activities for our students around this year's theme: "Find Your Treasure". This year we will not be having a parade for parents but instead we ask our students to come dressed as "Pie-rats" like the characters from Dr Cameron Stelzer's books. No hiring of costumes... just use what you have and add a touch of creativity... some rat ears? Whiskers? A tail?... A pirate patch? Bandanna? T-shirt and shorts or jeans... too easy! Safe and sensible footwear please. We will be making pizzas for lunch... students to put their choice of toppings on...A note came home this week for parents to indicate the number of pizzas and provide payment to cover the cost of food.

Please don't forget that children are encouraged to purchase a guess in the "Treasure Hunt" activity with a Science Experiment as the prize. Each guess is \$1. Students may have as many guesses as they wish provided they pay their \$1 for each guess. This is a Yr 6 Fundraising activity. WE hope you will support us.

Fathers Day: Once again our students will be making a crafty Fathers' Day gift. This will be happening next week. These gifts will be \$5 each and will be wrapped with your child's name on it. Should anyone require 2, please let us know, this has been factored in to the purchase order. These gifts will be available for collection from Thursday 30th. Deidre will be at school on Thursday 30th and Friday 31st August until 9:30 to collect money and hand out gifts.

"Fiver for a farmer": Our P&C have organised a special day to raise money for our farmers. On Thursday 30th August we invite our students to come dressed as farmers and bring \$5 to support this cause. We hope again you will be able to support this worthwhile cause to assist those in need.

Senior camp Reminder: Please remember that this camp is in Week 7 of this term and, as such, Final Payments **must** be made by Friday 24th August (Wk 5). The cost of this is \$330 (less your \$30 deposit if paid). Mrs Moss is accepting part or full payments through the office or POP online payments can be made. Thank you to those parents who have paid.

PSSA: This sporting event has been very enjoyable for the students so far. Having Hillside spend part of Friday with us is such fun. It is wonderful to see them enjoying mixing with our students and enjoying our fabulous canteen.

Please make sure you have paid for this PSSA Sporting event with a cash payment as this covers the Community Bus travel that we have to pay for each week.

Zone Athletics Carnival: The track events are held on Wednesday 22nd August at Greenway Park Cherrybrook. Notes have been issued to those students who qualified. Please ensure you return the note to school so that any transport arrangements can be made.

Canteen: Canteen will be operating each Monday and Friday for this term only due to PSSA and our visitors from Hillside PS. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to make this possible and to Kathleen for her organization as canteen manager.

External Validation: On Tuesday 28th August our school will be undergoing an external validation process. The hard work is now completed; we look forward to our visitors.

Our School Day:

The morning bell rings at **9:00am**, giving students time to prepare and assemble for a **9:05** start in the classroom.

Recess commences at **11:05am** and concludes at **11:30am**.

Lunch is from **1:05pm** to **1:55pm**. The school day concludes at **3:05pm**.



 **Badminton**
Australia
Wednesdays



All Term 3

Find Your Treasure

Tues 21st August



Book Week 2018

- ◇ *Come dressed as a Pie-rat!*
- ◇ *Make pizzas for lunch*
- ◇ *A day of fun activities*

Our next P&C will be meeting on
Tuesday 11th September at 7:00pm
in the school library.

These meetings are short, fun and best of all

PRODUCTIVE!!!

We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

Why not come along to be a voice to be heard. Share your thoughts. Maybe offer some assistance in some small way. We would really enjoy your company.

Laughing is one of the best exercises, it's like running inside your mind. You can do it almost anywhere and it's even better with a friend.

- Anonymous

An important reminder to parents that if you have any concerns at all regarding your child, their work or an issue with another child in the school, we ask that you please speak to the class teacher to clarify the situation. Sometimes things are not quite as they seem.

Do remember that in a small school, teachers are extremely busy, covering anything from 3 to 4 duties a day as well as preparation and marking. It may be, therefore, better to make an appointment to ensure satisfaction all round.

Ann Mills

Principal

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