



# Newsletter 2019

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## ♪♪ Walking on Sunshine ♪♪

### Dates to Note:

- Monday 13th May

Interrelate Program-Glenorie

- Tuesday 14th May

P&C meeting 7pm

NAPLAN

Final Twilight Session –staff

- Wednesday 15th May

NAPLAN

- Thursday 16th May

NAPLAN

Assembly 2:30

- Tuesday 21st May

Footsteps Dance 2pm –3 pm

- Wed 29, Thurs30, Fri 31 May

Senior camp-Canberra

- Sat 18th May

Federal Election– stalls at school

- Wed 22nd May

National Simultaneous Story Time –*Literacy session whole school*

### No assembly in Week 5 Thursday 30th May

- Fri 31st May

Return of Stewart House  
Clothing Bags due today

**Cross Country:** Well after today's perfect weather and smooth-flowing event I think Mrs Mac would be "walking on sunshine". Mrs McLennan had put so much into this event to ensure everything ran smoothly– from mapping out the course, to guiding the students, sharing information with staff and of course the running of the event itself today. Thank you Mrs McLennan for all of your hard work. Thank you to everyone who also made this wonderful day such a great event. Thank you: to AJ for manning the BBQ and perfecting the sausages; to the parents who assisted in the canteen and on the course as course marshals; to staff behind the scenes; to all of our students who participated and gave it their best; to everyone who attended to support their kids and cheer them on. It's nothing short of amazing what our beautiful little school can achieve when we all work together towards the one goal... and have a whole lot of fun on the way. What an amazing community! Thank you all.

**ANZAC Day:** A very big and heartfelt thank you to all parents and students who supported us by attending the ANZAC Day march held in Glenorie on April 25. We know it can be difficult when this falls in the holiday period and so really appreciate the effort made to have so many of our wonderful children so smartly attired marching under our school banner. Congratulations to our two captains for their accurate and clear reading in front of such a large audience and to all of our students on their commendable behavior during the ceremony.

**Senior Camp:** Years 5 and 6 will be joining senior students from Annangrove and Hillside schools on a three day trip to Canberra this year on 29th, 30th, 31st May. Please remember that the full payment is due next week by May 17.

**Footsteps Dance:** Our dance sessions will commence on Tuesday 21st (Week 3). Sessions last for 30 mins per class and are run by the Footsteps dance teachers; supervised by the classroom teachers. As this is part of our PDHPE program, it is expected that all students will participate. Please ensure permission slips are returned promptly along with payment.

**Earn and Learn:** Woolies Earn and Learn commenced on the 1st May. We hope you will support our school by collecting the stickers and bringing them to school. We have until June 25th to collect these. Each year we are able to get a number of new resources from this process for your children to enjoy.

**Interrelate:** This evening program is run by Interrelate at Glenorie school, for both students and families to attend together. It enables entire student groups to receive the same credible information at the same time, to then be continued in conversations at home with the student's families. The program (which has been postponed from last Monday due to unforeseen circumstances) will now be held this Monday evening 13th May. Glenorie school will be accepting payment at the door if you have not already paid and would be interested in this program for you and your child. (Information was sent home in a previous newsletter.)

**NAPLAN:** A reminder that NAPLAN testing will take place for students in years 3 and 5 next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure your children are at school on time.

**Premier's Sporting Challenge:** All students will take part in a ten-week challenge this term to keep active and increase their activities to include more physical moments in their day. Staff members are also taking on this challenge for the same period.

**Assemblies:** Assemblies commence again from Thursday 16th May, 2:30 pm.

**School Photos:** Please mark your calendar for 24th June.

**P&C Meeting:** Next Tuesday 14th May at 7pm. Come and have your say.



### Days to note:

Mondays = Library, Canteen

Tuesday = PE (sports uniform)

Wednesdays = Scripture

Thursdays = Assembly every 2nd week

Friday = Sports day



## Mothers' Day Gifts

**Students will be making Mother's day gifts this week.**

**Gifts are \$5.00 per gift. The money needs to be at school by Thursday 9th May.**

**The gifts will be ready to go home on Thursday or Friday.**

### Classroom Diffusers

This term we will be using a doterra essential oil diffuser in each classroom. The oils we will be diffusing are Frankincense and On Guard. These oils are both antibacterial and anti viral and will clean the air of germs and help prevent the spread of coughs and colds through the coming winter months.

We will start using these diffusers in the classrooms next week.

If you have any objections to the use of these diffusers please see the classroom teachers.

### Professional Learning Twilight Sessions

Staff at Middle Dural PS will be undertaking Professional Learning sessions from 4pm to 6pm throughout semester 1 2019. This will be extra PL in lieu of the additional pupil free day on December 20th 2019. This will not impact upon students/ student learning in any way.

PL sessions are:

Tuesday 12/2/2019 , 19/3/2019, 14/5/2019 4pm-6pm

Our P&C will be meeting on

**Tuesday 14th May 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.

We have found that enormous tasks have fallen on but a few. It's time we all shared the load a little.

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.



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*HEARD AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE CROSS COUNTRY RACE:*

"If everyone had just run a bit slower, I would have won!"

A small 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 2 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.

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