

Newsletter 2019

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2020 Vision

Dates to Note:

Thurs 19th Sept

Assembly 2:30pm

Fri 20th Sept

PSSA & Canteen

Fri 27th Sept

Talent Show

End of Term 3

School Holidays



Mon 14th Oct

Students and staff return

Wed 16th Oct

North Sydney Athletics Carnival for Small School relay representatives

Thurs 24th Oct

Kindergarten Orientation for 2020 at 9:30 am

 Tues 29th Oct and Tues 5th Nov

Early Bird Program Morning Sessions 9:30 to 11:30 am

Thurs 31st Oct and 7th Nov

Early Bird Program Afternoon Sessions 2:05 to 3:05pm Future focused: Our before and after school care with DOORAL ELC seems to be working out just fine. Students are safely escorted into the main building to the care of a teacher and picked up at the classroom door in the afternoons. The care and attention given is second to none. Thank you DOORAL ELC for making this possible for our families. We hope that having this facility will help our little school grow as we can now support the families that require such assistance.

Kindy Orientation Day: Our Kindy Orientation Day for 2020 students will be held on Thursday 24th October in our school library at 9:30. If anyone knows of any families with school-age children wishing to start please spread the word. We hope we will have a number of representatives from our existing parents to assist on this morning in welcoming prospective parents and students.

Fortnightly Assemblies: It really is wonderful to see our fortnightly assemblies so well-attended. Thank you to all mums, dads, carers and grandparents who come along to share in this occasion. It is a fabulous chance to get a small insight into, and appreciation for, things that your children do; an opportunity to catch up with other parents; and an opportunity to celebrate the many small achievements recognised throughout the fortnight. I know your children really enjoy seeing you there and, just quietly, it makes the teachers pretty happy too.

Stewart House Clothing Appeal: Bags were sent home last week for our second and final collection for the year. A wonderful opportunity to spring clean and pass on those outgrown clothes. Please ensure bags are returned by Friday 20th September.

Sydney North Primary Athletics: If you are one of our four representatives for the Sydney North Primary Athletics carnival, please make sure you have returned your signed permission notes so that we can then do our bit and ensure you are entered within the time frames given.

School Attendance: Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include: being sick or having an infectious disease; having an unavoidable medical appointment; being required to attend a recognised religious holiday; exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral. Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record.

P&C: Our next meeting will be **tonight** at 7pm in our school library. We hope you will come along to share your thoughts and suggestions to support your children.

Last Day of Term: The last day of term 3 is Friday 27th September. Term 4 commences on Monday 14th October. Please note there are no pupil free days at the commencement of Term 4.



Days to note:

Mondays = Library, Canteen

Tuesday = PE (sports uniform)

Wednesdays = Scripture

Thursdays = Assembly every 2nd week

Friday = Sports day





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➤ OSHC - BSC/ASC - booking at the beginning of the term

Before School Care \$25.00 - per child/Session

After School Care \$27.00 - per child/Session

➤ OSHC - BSC/ASC - Casual

Before School Care \$33.00 - per child/Session

After School Care \$35.00 - per child/Session

Middle Dural Annual Term 3 Talent Show Friday 27th September

Auditions commence this week.

We encourage all of our students to participate in this fun event.

Yr 6 Fundraiser: Gold coin entry



Our P&C will be meeting on

Tuesday 10th 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.

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.



"Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate

them." — James Baldwin, novelist and social critic

"Children are like wet cement whatever falls on them makes an impression." — Haim Ginott, child psychologist

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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