

Newsletter 2021

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Dates to Note

Tues 9th Nov
 TONIGHT!!! 7pm
 Annual General Meeting

NO CANTEEN this term Scripture may commence next week.

New Kindies



for 2022??

Please apply to enrol online through our school website.

Natural Surrounds

Yarning Circle: Thank you to Binu and Mr Limbers for the planting being carried out around our yarning circle. A little rain, some warmth from the sun and the tender hands of these two fine gentlemen should make for some pleasant natural surrounds for our yarning spot.

Student Fees: A reminder that student fees are well and truly due (in fact overdue). This is to pay for the text books that your children have been using all year along with online access to things like Reading Eggs/ Matific and other resources shared at school. We realise that due to COVID some people may be experiencing difficulty. We are happy to accept part payments in instalments. Just let Mrs Moss, in the office, know your intentions. Anyone experiencing extreme difficulty in making these payments are requested to speak with me (Mrs Mills) so that arrangements can be made.

Parent Surveys: Our end of year survey has been organised through the Learning Bar and is called "Tell Them From Me". Some of our students participated in this survey earlier this year. It gives us a snapshot of parent thoughts in answer to specific questions. The link for the survey is http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/py5f5 We hope we are able to get the majority of our families responding to this survey before Friday 19th November.

COVID News: The media seem to report the "headlines of interest" and not the full details. Parents are <u>still not permitted</u> on site unless there is an emergency, a predetermined meeting or an explicit role that is required. Any parent on site is required to be fully vaccinated and follow all COVID procedures. Sorry for any confusion this may have caused.

Scripture classes are permitted to commence from next week after proof of vaccination has been shown and COVID plan is in place.

Students have the option to wear masks and it is recommended that students in Yrs 3-6 do so, but again not mandatory.

Students are still expected to be washing their hands before eating and this is a regular practice supervised by staff to ensure all students are mindful of this.

Hand sanitiser, wipes and soap are all provided and our cleaner ensures our bathrooms, desks and other surfaces are clean throughout the day.

Presentation Day is permitted for students only. No parents are allowed unless they have a specific role to play in the presentation. The date for this will be Wednesday 8th December 2021.

Orientation Session for our new Kindies is being organised to allow a time to visit but they will not be allowed to mix with our students... such a shame as I feel that is one of the strengths of our small school— the new students feel included immediately and its less scary with other kids there.

Days to note:

Mondays = K-2 PE

Tuesday = Library (K-6)

Wednesdays = 3-6 PE, Scripture

Thursdays = Assemblies cancelled

Friday = Sports day





Dooral Early Learning

Centre

774 Old Northern Rd,

Middle Dural NSW 2158

Before and After School is available For pricing details ring Silvia Li.

Ph: 9653 9966

STUDENT HEALTH: Any child suffering cold or flu like symptoms, runny nose, sore throats or headaches should not attend school. They are also required to have a COVID test. Students are not to return until the school has been given evidence of a negative result and is not experiencing any symptoms. This still applies until further notice. I thank all of you for your continued vigilance in this area.

P & C AGM 9th November, 2021

7pm

Glenorie RSL

Our P&C will be meeting for our AGM on

Tuesday 9th November 7pm Glenorie RSL ALL WELCOME!

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 join in to be a voice to be heard. Share your thoughts. Maybe offer some assistance in some small way. We would really enjoy your company.





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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