

# Newsletter 2021

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Tuesday 27th April 2021

Dates to Note

Wed 28th April

Cross Country Race

Thurs 6th May

2:30 Assembly (Mum's special)

Tues 11th, Wed 12th, Thurs 13th May

NAPLAN Years 3 & 5

Tues 11th May

P & C Meeting 7PM

Thurs 20th May •

Assembly 2:30 PM

Wed 26th May •

Zone Cross Country – Fagan Park

Mon 31st May •

Acknowledgment of Country

Stage 3 Arcadia P.S

Enrichment Day Stage 3

Longneck Lagoon

#### Tues 1st June

Interrelate Session for Years 3 &4 and 5 & 6 Galston Public School 6:00pm (for those who have expressed interest)

Thurs 3rd June

Sydney Zoo Excursion K-6

NO ASSEMBLY TODAY

Thurs 17th June

Assembly 2:30 PM

## Welcome Back to Term 2...

Easter Picnic: I would like to start by acknowledging the wonderful ambience as we held our first "social" event since COVID with the Easter Picnic gathering. The children were so excited to have you all there and to have such a supportive audience with which to share their fun, games and creativity. You must admit, some of those hats were truly quite amazing! Well done students and thank you so much to our magnificent families. So good to get together again.

ANZAC Day: What a turn-out! What an amazing event! Well done students for conducting yourselves in such an admirable manner throughout the entire ceremony. I must congratulate Makayla and Olivia on their readings in front of such a large audience. We are all so very proud of you. Thank you to those families who were able to bring their child along to be a part of the commemoration service.

Cross Country: This Wednesday we hold our annual Cross Country race and this year we will be sharing the race with students from Hillside PS. We welcome all parents from both schools. A reminder that there is a P&C sausage sizzle fundraiser with drinks etc on offer. A coffee truck will also be visiting in the morning from around 10:15am.

Assembly: Our first assembly for term 2 will be in Week 3 (next week) and will be a special assembly to acknowledge and appreciate all that our "Mums" do for us. We invite you all to come along to this very special assembly where we can start the "Mothers' Day celebrations a little early. Assembly commences at 2:30 pm.

Enrichment Day: Four students from Yrs 5/6 have been selected to attend an Enrichment Day at Longneck Lagoon, where they team up with students from other schools to solve an environmental issue. This will take place on Monday 31st May.

Acknowledgement of Country: On the same day (31st May) the remainder of students in Years 5/6 (stage 3) will be attending Arcadia PS with Mrs Clare to participate in an understanding of and a creation of an Acknowledgement of Country. They will be combining with other Stage 3 students from Hillside PS and Arcadia PS.

Executive Visit: This Friday we welcome a visit from Mr Tim McCallum (Executive Director School Performance) and Mr Adam Boulus (Director Educational Leadership). They will be visiting our classrooms as we undertake our morning lessons.

Themes: Our theme for learning this term is "Change". Student learning in PDH, History, Geography, Science and the Arts will be mainly centred around this.

NAPLAN: Students in Yrs 3 and 5 will be sitting the NAPLAN tests on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Week 4. (11th, 12th, 13th May). This will be held in the 3-6 classroom with Mrs McLennan while students in Yrs 4 and 6 will be supervised in the library by Mrs Clare on Tues/ Wed and by myself on Thursday. Variations to bell times will occur to accommodate the needs of these students.

Leave: Mrs McLennan will be on leave from Monday through to Friday of next week. Mrs Clare will be taking Years 3/4/5/6 in her absence. Have fun Mrs Mac!

#### Next P&C Meeting: is Tuesday 11th May at 7pm in the school library.

Please remember if at any time you have any concerns, you may telephone for a face to face appointment or request a phone conversation with your child's teacher.

#### Days to note:

Mondays = K-2 PE, Canteen

Tuesday = Library (K-6)

Wednesdays = Scripture (T3), 3-6 PE

Thursdays = Assembly every 2nd week

Friday = Sports day





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Our P&C will be meeting on

## Tuesday 11th May in the school library!!

### 7pm ALL WELCOME!

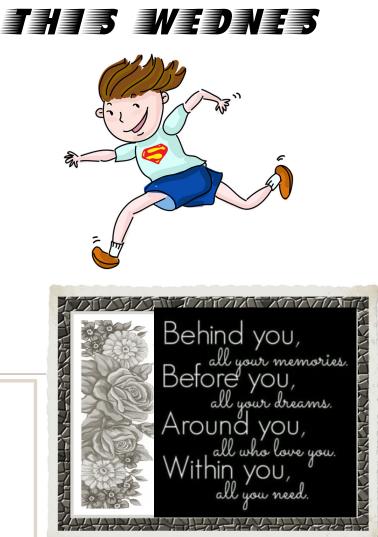
We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

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.



<u>STUDENT HEALTH</u>: 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 <u>evidence of a negative</u> <u>result and is not experiencing any symptoms</u>. This still applies until further notice. I thank all of you for your continued vigilance in this area.



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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