



Newsletter 2021

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Tuesday 11th May 2021

We're going to the zoo, zoo, zoo!

Dates to Note

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

NAPLAN

- Tues 11th May
P & C Meeting 7Pm

- Fri 21st May
Yrs 3 to 6 Field Events
At MDPS

K to 2 Fun Day at GPS

- Wed 26th May
Zone Cross Country

- Mon 31st May
Longneck Lagoon Stage 3
Acknowledgement of
Country Yrs 5 & 6

Arcadia Public School

- Tues 1st June
Interrelate Sessions at
Galston P.S

- Thurs 3rd June
K to 6 Zoo Excursion

- Mon 14th June
Queen's Birthday Public
Holiday

Cross Country: We were extremely fortunate with the weather on our Cross Country Event this year. A big thank you to Mrs Clare, Mrs McLennan and Mrs Moss for their organisation of this event. Thank you to those parents who acted as course marshals. A big thank you also to our wonderful P&C for running the sausage sizzle fundraiser. They worked tirelessly before, during and after the event to ensure we were all well-fed, watered and that the place was spotless... all while raising funds that will benefit all of the children at this school. Maybe next year we'll see a few more hands go up to assist with this busy task.

Assembly: A special event in celebration of our Magnificent Mums. So wonderful to have you share in this celebration with us. Our students were so excited to perform for you and to witness you all sitting back, relaxing with a drink, some nibbles, entertainment and time to chat. Thank you for being a part of this very special and memorable event.

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. Notes to those students have been given out. Please return these as soon as possible.

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. Note coming home today.

Executive Visit: A wonderfully positive visit with praise around our excellent attendance data; impressive adherence to uniform; engagement, focus and teacher direction within the classroom setting. Well done staff and students. .. Such a great school!!

NAPLAN: Students in Yrs 3 and 5 will be sitting the NAPLAN tests on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this Week (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. Good luck to our students.

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

Zoo excursion: Our school will be undertaking an excursion to the new Sydney Zoo on **June 3rd** 2021 as part of our Science studies. We will be travelling to and from the venue by bus with all staff in attendance. Please see the attached note and return as soon as possible along with payment.

Athletics Field Events: Middle Dural and Hillside will be combining with Galston Public school for a special "**Field Events Carnival**" on Friday 21st May. The Field events (something we have not done for many years) will be held here at Middle Dural for students in Yrs 3-6 and is part of our sports program. A special "**K-2 Fun Day**" will be held in the grounds of Galston PS during this same time so that the younger members of each of these three schools will have the opportunity to connect socially, in a fun and active way. Please read the appropriate notes attached, sign these and return to school promptly.

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



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.

Its always the right time to discuss

“Stranger Danger” with your children.



Discussing—What makes a stranger?

Keeping your distance;

Say NO then GO and TELL or...

YELL and TELL. (draw attention to yourself)

Warning Signals (our bodies)



Dooral Early Learning Centre

Centre

774 Old Northern Rd,

Middle Dural

NSW 2158

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

Ph: 9653 9966

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.



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Knowing is not enough; we must **apply**.

Wishing is not enough; we must **do**.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

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.

Ann Mills

Principal

Middle Dural PS