



Newsletter 2022

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Tuesday 22nd March 2022

Assemblies are back!!! 😊

Dates to Note:

- **Tues 22nd Mar**
Footsteps Dance
Yrs 3-6 Interviews
P&C meeting 7pm
- **Wed 23rd Mar**
Yrs 3-6 Interviews
- **Thurs 24th Mar**
Assembly 2:30pm
- **Fri 25th Mar**
K-2 Interviews
- **Tues 29th Mar**
Footsteps Dance
- **Thurs 7th April**
Easter Assembly/Parade
(more info to come home)
- **Fri 8th April**
Last day of Term 1



- **Mon 25th ANZAC Day march**
- **Wed 27th Apr**

Students return for Term 2

(Tues 26th is School Development Day- Teachers only)

Assembly: We are preparing a COVID safe approach to assembly for students and parents and look forward to seeing many of our immediate family members on Thursday this week (March 24th) at 2:30pm. We hope you will be able to join us.

Parent/Teacher Interviews: We are currently holding interviews with parents to discuss the progress and support for your children at this stage of their learning and how you can help at home. Dates and times were emailed to you last week along with hard copies to ensure every family received this information. This is a wonderful opportunity to touch base to highlight any issues and clear up any misconceptions, particularly as our connections have been limited up until this point due to COVID restrictions.

Mrs Lewis and Mrs Watson: An enormous thank you to both Mrs Lewis and Mrs Watson for filling in for Mrs Moss while she has been enjoying some leave. We are so fortunate to have been able to have these amazing ladies step in to keep this beautiful place running so smoothly. Thank you one and all for making these ladies so welcome and to both Annette and Bev, we most sincerely thank you for your untiring efforts and care. Mrs Moss will return to work next Monday.

Parent Parking: A reminder to all parents dropping and picking up students to please drive **slowly** and **with caution**. **Single parking** only is allowed and only **parallel** parking is permitted along the school boundary. Please also be mindful that there is a **bus stop** near the school pedestrian entrance and that **turning** into the **school carpark driveway** is not permitted at all. This is a staff only area. Student safety is our TOP PRIORITY.

COVID Situation: I would like to firstly thank all of you for your fantastic support with the situation this year... from collecting the RATs testing kits and administering when needed, monitoring health situations, informing us of absences, remaining off site when required and masking up when needing to enter, signing in and out, checking in, acknowledging close contacts and adhering to restrictions.... the list continues. We sincerely thank you all for your understanding, your co-operation and above all your continued support throughout all of this. Times have been tough and new waves will come and go but it makes me so happy to see our beautiful school community working our way through all of this **together**. Thank you all so much.

Cross Country: Once our grounds "dry out" our students will be training and developing their long distance running skills in preparation for our combined cross Country race to be held at the beginning of Term 2 on our grounds. This will be shared with Hillside PS this year. The date for this event will be Wednesday 4th May with a back-up date of Friday 6th May (if the weather is unfavourable).

Next P&C Meeting: is tonight, **Tuesday 22nd March at 7pm in the school library. Parents attending are required to be vaccinated. This is the meeting that had to be postponed from the 8th March.**



Days to note:

Mondays = K-2 PE, Canteen

Tuesday = 3-6 PE

Wednesdays = Scripture, Library K-6

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.



Each year our school is invited to march at Glenorie along with Hillside, Glenorie PS and Galston HS, in the ANZAC march. If you are available we would love you to join us.

ANZAC Day March

When: Monday April 25th 3:00pm

Who: All Middle Dural Students K-6 (available)

Where: Meet in the Glenorie Woolworths car park.

What to wear: girls- winter uniform; boys-sports shirt with grey pants, black school shoes.



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

Our P&C will be meeting on

Tuesday 22nd March

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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"Today you could be standing next to someone who is trying their best not to fall apart. So whatever you do today, do it with kindness in your heart."

- Unknown

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

MEET THE PREFECTS THAT WILL BE ASSOCIATED WITH OUR SCHOOL THIS YEAR.

Jordan Harkins
2021-2022 Vice Captain



My name is Jordan Harkins and I am honored to be a 2021 to 2022 Vice Captain of Galston High School. I have been at Galston since the beginning of Year 7 through to the present day. For primary school I attended Maroota Public School through to Year 5 then made the change to Glenorie Public School in Year 6. I enjoyed the nurturing atmosphere of primary school with the minimal pressure put on students it makes for a more enjoyable experience in school. I enjoyed playing handball at recess and lunch as well as learning in fun and intuitive ways. For my HSC at Galston I will be studying Advanced English, Advanced Mathematics, Extension 1 and 2 Mathematics, Engineering Studies, and Physics.

My goals beyond high school stretch into the world of sport. I wish to someday compete for Australia at swimming weather that be at an Olympics or world championships. I also aim to gain a scholarship into university to study a form of engineering.

At Galston High there is a wide variety of extracurricular activities to take part in such as sports and the musical. In the last years I have joined the water polo team and took part in many fun gala days. At Galston I mostly enjoy the great relationship between staff and students and how closely intertwined the school is with the community.

As a Vice Captain at Galston I want to help create a greater sense of school moral by leading other students into more varieties of activities to engage them with other years.

Saskia Vogt
2021-2022 Senior Prefect



My name is Saskia Vogt and I am honoured to be a Senior Prefect for the 2021-2022 Prefect Team at Galston High School. I attended Wahroonga Public School from Kindergarten, before moving to Northholm Grammar School in Year 4. During my junior school years at Wahroonga Public School, I enjoyed public speaking and debating clubs as well as art and lego robotics. Outside of school I danced competitively until I was sixteen, where I now enjoy teaching dance in the afternoons. I have particularly fond memories of both dance and school teachers throughout those years, who's lessons I still remember, and am so thankful for.

I look forward to being partnered with both Middle Dural Public School and Hillside Public School, along with my partner Jordan Harkins.

For the HSC, the subjects that I have chosen are Advanced and Extension 1 Mathematics, Advanced English, Physics, Legal Studies, Software Design and Development and German Beginners. Once I have completed high school I intend to study further, in either Cyber Security or Law, as those are both strong passions of mine and encompass my favourite subjects. I would love to study somewhere interstate and eventually travel internationally for my job. I have always had a deep interest in a variety of cultures and would love the opportunity to explore that in the future.

Year 11 was my first year at Galston High School, and I have been moved by the welcome I received, from both my year group and the teachers, into the school. They he been extremely supportive throughout the year and created an enjoyable environment to be a part of.

One of my main ambitions, as a Senior Prefect and female in STEM, is to encourage other young girls to pursue STEM subjects. I had many inspiring women who helped give me the confidence to pursue these fields, and I would love to pass on the encouragement I received to others.



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