



NEWSLETTER

1st July, 2025

Melissa Date- Principal

# Middle Dural News

Week 10  
Term 2  
2025

Wishing you all a Happy  
and Safe holiday break.  
Students return Tuesday  
22<sup>nd</sup> July

**Peer collaboration at its best!  
Using the old boxes left behind  
after the election, our students  
worked in peer groups led by  
stage 3 students to design and  
build cubby houses- or a mini  
mansion as it turned out.**



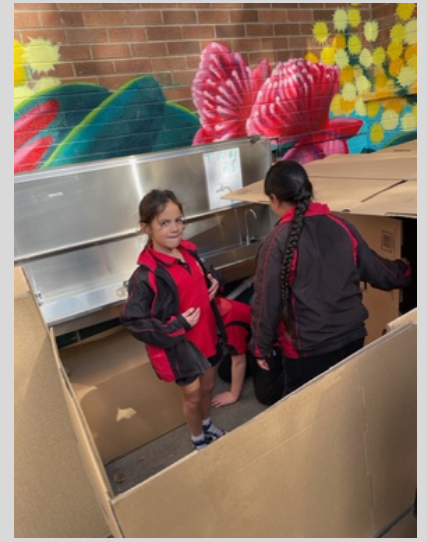
**We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we stand  
on- Dharug land.**

**We pay our respect to the elders of the past, present and emerging.**

**We are connected to country- our home.**

**We care for the land, the plants and the animals.**





**Last Friday, K-6 participated in whole school peer groups lead by year 5 and 6. This involved activities like cubby house building, maths escape rooms and drama games. Year 5 and 6 should be commended for their fantastic leadership skills!**



**Thank you to our parents and guests who joined us for assembly. It was great to acknowledge so many students for awards, but also to see the amazing work that has been happening in classrooms.**

**We loved the maps created by our Wambad class and the poems that Barragin recited were very moving.**

**Thank you to Miss O'Brien and Mrs Clare for the amazing work that they are doing in their classrooms.**





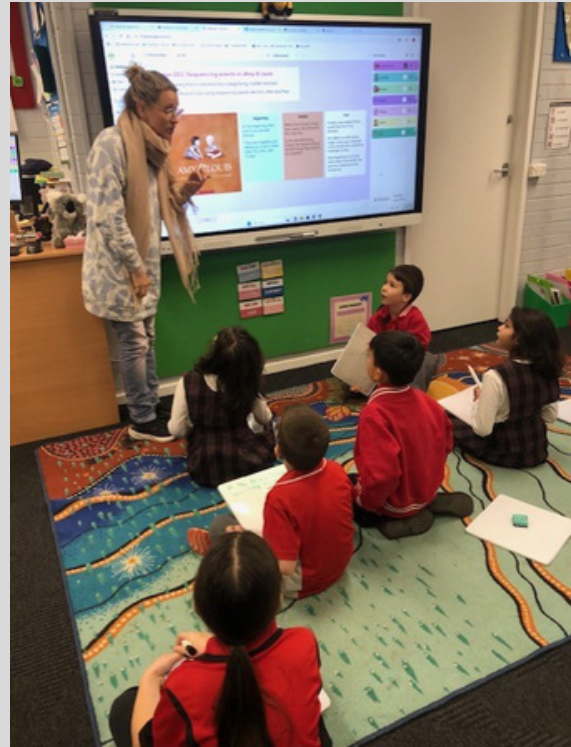
**We currently have 2 work placement students here at school:**

**Heidi Woods is in K-2 as an SLSO (School Learning Support Officer) and**

**Joshua Robertson is in the school office, he is studying Business Services at school.**



**Hi my name is Josh, I'm in year 11 studying Business Services at Marian I enjoy working with computers**



**Hello everyone, my name is Miss Woods and I am in my final placement to complete my Student Learning Support Officer credential. It is my absolute joy to assist your children along their developmental journey. I look forward to seeing their smiling faces again next term for a few weeks! They are all so very precious!**



## **Lunch time** **Lego club**

**The children have been very inventive with their lego skills**







**Our lucky students got to uncover fossils! Our volunteer, Warren, has very generously donated several pieces of rock with lots of little fossils throughout it. He shared his experiences fossicking at Mulbring Quarry and then our students were able to help crack open a large piece of rock to see what they could find. We are going to continue discovering more about geology and fossils this week.**

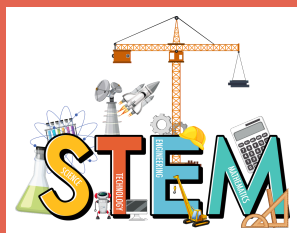




# COOKING CLUB



**This week our Cooking Club Leaders prepared pancakes and fresh orange juice. There has been a lot of interest in cooking this term with many requests to join the fun. This enthusiasm has led to us making a plan for term 3 which will allow all of our students to have a chance to cook in small groups. We have created a rotating roster where everyone will get two weeks of cooking over the term. We love the chance to use our fresh produce and our children are certainly dedicated to preparing wholesome meals and tasty treats.**



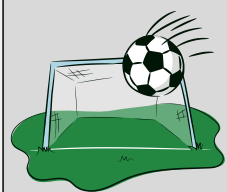
**In our last class with the robotic STEM kit the children had a race with the robotics, congratulations Jude, Harper, and Barbara!**

**We are looking forward to our next STEM kit - 3D printer**





# Upcoming Events



**Term 2, 2025**  
**Sports**  
**Uniform**  
**Fridays**

**Library**  
**Thursdays**



774 Old Northern Rd,  
Middle Dural  
NSW 2158  
Before and After School  
is available For pricing  
details ring Silvia Li.  
Ph: 9651 2550

## Term 2 2025

**4<sup>th</sup> July Friday- NAIDOC Day**  
**Assembly 2.30pm, parents/carers**  
**welcome.**

**4<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of term 2**

## Term 3 2025

**22<sup>nd</sup> July Tuesday - Students return**

**24<sup>th</sup> July - School photo day**

**31<sup>st</sup> July - Responsible Pet Program**  
**for K-2**

**8<sup>th</sup> August - Small Schools Athletics**  
**carnival**

## Winter Uniform

Winter is now upon us, could you please send your child(ren) to school in their winter uniform, Monday to Thursday and Sports uniform and sports shoes on Friday.

School uniform ordering is managed off site through CIS Schools. Ordering is done online:

<http://www.cisschools.com.au/MDPS>

The school office has a complete list of uniforms and pricing.  
We also have a number of second hand uniforms available for a small fee. Please see Jenny in the office. Money raised from second hand uniforms goes to the P&C.

**Girls Winter Uniform**  
Long sleeve white blouse  
Checked Pinafore  
Grey tights or White socks  
School Jacket  
Black shoes



### Boys Winter Uniform

Red/White Polo shirt  
Grey Trousers  
Grey socks  
School Jacket  
Black shoes



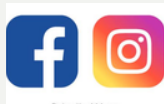
Thursday 24 July 2025 (T3/W1)



## P&C Meeting

**P&C Meeting - Thursday 3rd July 1.30pm**  
**Everyone Welcome**

**Canteen Thursdays - volunteers are always appreciated.**



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**Follow us on Instagram- middle.dural.ps**



# JOIN THE BEE SQUAD!

11 am Tue July 8



Looking for a fun, free school holiday activity?

Join The Bee Squad author Dr Judy Friedlander as she shares how children are taking charge, and learning about our amazing native species and the plants that can support them. Join author Dr Judy Friedlander at Flower Power to:

- Make homes for Blue-banded bees.
- Design a garden haven for pollinators.
- Pot up a seedling to take home.



Buy the book and receive a **FreeBee Squad kit!**



Suitable for primary school-aged children. Kids of all ages must be accompanied by an adult. No bookings required, but large groups are encouraged to call your local store. For more information go to [flowerpower.com.au/events](http://flowerpower.com.au/events)



## SHARE OUR Space



**FREE PROGRAM**

- ✓ Location: Pennant Hills High School
- ✓ Date & Time: 8th July 9:30 am - 1:30pm
- ✓ Free program: scan QR code to register



**REGISTER NOW!**

**The Raising Healthy Minds app is a free, personalised, pocket resource to help parents and carers raise confident, resilient children. Co-designed with parents and experts and funded by the Australian Government, Raising Healthy Minds aims to support children's social and emotional wellbeing with evidence-based information.**

**You'll find information on topics like dealing with worries and making friends, as well as ideas for day-to-day life, like creating family routines, looking after yourself as a parent, and building strong relationships.**

**The app offers a mix of quick-read articles, videos and animations aimed at parents and carers of children aged 0-12 years. You can tailor information to the age of your child and opt-in to receive helpful tips.**

**Raising Healthy Minds provides simple-to-use information at your fingertips with clear actions you can start today.**

**Download from Google Play or the App Store or go to [raisingchildren.net.au/rhm](http://raisingchildren.net.au/rhm) to learn more and raise a healthy mind 🧠💡**



Download the app for tips to raise confident, resilient children



Download the app



Come along to our **free** **Kids** GARDENING CLASSES at Flower Power

11am  
MONDAY TO FRIDAY  
7 - 11  
14 - 18  
JULY  
ONE CLASS PER DAY!  
Excludes weekends



Kids of all ages must be accompanied by an adult. No bookings required, however large groups are encouraged to call your local store. For more information go to [flowerpower.com.au](http://flowerpower.com.au)





The Hills Shire Council's Orange Blossom Festival

# Sydney Hills Youth Orchestra

## The Hills Young Musicians Contest 2025

An associated event of the Hills Orange Blossom Festival and the Sydney Hills Youth Orchestra, the **Hills Young Musicians Contest 2025** is an annual competition that provides students with an opportunity to showcase their musical talents and potential.

Submit an online application form and a video recording of your performance for the first round of the contest.

A solo piece for any of the following orchestral instruments with or without piano accompaniment:  
Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, French Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, Percussion instruments, Violin, Viola, Cello, Double bass.

For more information please visit our website:  
OR contact us:  
management@sys.org.au

Artistic Director - Dr Brian Chatpo Koo:  
0449 776 872

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# Get up to \$500 extra in the bank

You can double your savings. If you save up to \$50 a month for 10 months, you could get up to \$500 from ANZ when you finish the program.

**To be eligible you need to meet these requirements:**

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Be studying yourself, have a child in school or starting school next year
- ✓ Get regular income (can be you or your partner)\*
- ✓ Agree to join free online financial education workshops

Income, eligibility and participation criteria apply.

**1300 610 355**  
**saverplus.org.au**

\*Most types of income are valid. Speak to your local Saver Plus Savings Coach if you're not sure. Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services. Learn more at [www.saverplus.org.au](http://www.saverplus.org.au)

**RSPCA**  
New South Wales

**school HOLIDAY program**

## Insurance through Bendigo Bank

Through Bendigo Bank, you'll have insurance you can rely on.

Visit us in branch or at [bendigobank.com.au/insurance](http://bendigobank.com.au/insurance) to get a quote.

📍 Community Bank - Galston & District 02 9653 2227

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## PROGRAMS

**LOWER PRIMARY**  
(5-7 years)

**UPPER PRIMARY**  
(8-11 years)

**SECONDARY**  
(12-15 years)

📍 **Sydney Adoption and Education Centre**  
201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199

**Sessions include:**

- 🌿 Walk through the shelter and see our work in action
- 🌿 Fun and interactive activities focused on animals
- 🌿 Creating animal enrichment toys
- 🌿 Animal Welfare focused encounters
- 🌿 Learn how to be an animal advocate in your community!



RSPCA NSW Education Team

📞 02 9782 4478 ✉ [education@rspcansw.org.au](mailto:education@rspcansw.org.au)  
🌐 <https://events.humanitix.com/host/rspca-nsw>

# Go4Fun

## TERM 3 PROGRAM

Chatswood 4-6pm | Dee Why 4-6pm

**Register for the FREE 10-week healthy lifestyle program!**

Visit [Go4Fun.com.au](http://Go4Fun.com.au) or call us on 1800 780 900