

On The Grapevine

A quality education in a caring, innovative environment

June 2017 (Issue 3)

Fortnight in Review

Thank you to the students, parents and staff for your efforts during Term 2 culminating in Semester 1 reports being issued and parent/ teacher interviews taking place.

Term 3

We look forward to an exciting term ahead with the highlights being the ten week Premier's Sporting Challenge, Education Week and Open Day, Year 6 camp and Primary Proms. It will be a busy term for our staff as our school is being assessed as part of the External Validation process.

NAIDOC celebrations



Our students were entertained by the highly energetic Indigenous performer, Sean Choolburra, as part of our NAIDOC celebrations. More images of this performance can be seen on our webpage gallery.

Mrs Arbolino's Preschool class has decorated our foyer with their rainbow serpent inspired artworks. Call into the office to admire their work.

Cumberland High School Band visit

'The best part was getting up on stage to conduct. It was fun!'

Asiya 4/5M



Cumberland Forest excursion

Our school was fortunate to receive a grant from Parramatta Council to cover the cost of the Year 3 and 4's environmental excursion to Cumberland State Forest as part of their Geography unit 'Natural Environments'.



Parent / Teacher Interviews

Parent interviews were held on Wednesday afternoon/evening. It was fantastic to see so many parents coming along to speak with the teachers about their children, actively supporting their education.

PBL and Peer support

Our Week 9 Positive Behaviour focussed on being responsible by treating personal and school property appropriately. Congratulations to these students who were observed following this expectation.

Elena, Jacob, HyunJu, Yooju, Clare, Amelia, Olivia E and Ben B



This week we have been concentrating on being safe by keeping our hands and feet to ourselves. The students who were observed following this expectation will be rewarded next term.

Thank you to the parents who joined in our Parents @ Peer Support session. They were able to visit the classrooms to see the programs in action, stay for lunch with their children as well as attend assembly.



Athletics carnival

Please note that our Primary Athletics carnival takes place on Wednesday 19 July at Barton Park, North Parramatta. All students in Years 3 to 6 are expected to attend. Permission notes and \$5 for the bus fare should be paid by Tuesday 18 July at the latest. Those in Year 2 who turn eight this year are also invited to participate. Parents are most welcomed to come along to support their children. No canteen facilities are available on the day.

Student Wellbeing

Congratulations to the following students on achieving Principal's Awards.

Bronze Level 1: Aston

Bronze Level 3: James P, Dakota

Congratulations to Our Ozzie Mozzie Award Winners:



Zi Kei	Resha	Elena	Reilly	Justin J	Jayden L	Jamie
Breanna	Samuel	Lachlan M	William H	Edwin	Gregorii	

Have a safe and enjoyable break. We appreciate your help keeping our school safe and secure over the holidays. Any concerns can be reported to Department of Education Security Unit on 1300 880 021.

Mr Carters

Principal Relieving
30 June 2017

Dates for your diary

17 July	Staff Development Day
18 July	Students resume for Term 3
19 July	Primary Athletics Carnival, Barton Pk
21 July	Winter warmer welcome 8:20am
27 July	Assembly 1:55pm
28 July	Grapevine published
31 July to 4 August	EDUCATION WEEK
2 August	Open Day

ASD Excursion to the MCA

On Monday 19 June, K-2L and 3-6D attended an excursion to the Bella Room at the Museum of Contemporary Art. Our students caught the ferry to Circular Quay, discovered and explored artworks in the MCA galleries, engaged with practical art-making ideas in the creative studios and explored the multi-sensory room.

Miss Lodewijks



Stewart House Bags

Stewart House bags were sent home last week. Please return them to school filled with clean, used clothing by Term 3 week 2. Stewart House is a safe haven near Curl Curl Beach where children participate in educational programs to develop their social and emotional skills and build self esteem. Students from our school visit Stewart House each year. We are grateful for your support.

Pyjama Day

Year 6 organised this fundraiser for their end of year farewell dinner and gift to school. Over \$170 was collected. Thank you to the playful participating pyjama wearing pupils.



Well played – Ruby and Cain at the Sydney West Rugby trial on Thursday. Mr Carters also attended in his capacity as selector.

Winter Warmer Welcome

Students, Parents and Staff are invited to welcome in Term 3 with a complimentary hot chocolate, tea or coffee

Friday 21 July at 8:20am near the Canteen

Hoping to see you there

Becky Blamires
School Liaison



OOSH news

Dear families

Vacation Care is running from Oatlands Public School. We have an exciting program planned including two excursions and two incursions.

Our service is becoming more popular and I am thrilled to be able to care for your children. New staffing ratios come into effect from 1st July. We are now required to have one staff member for 15 children. Please help us organise our staffing requirements by giving us as much notice as possible. At the moment we have 15 children in the morning session so are unable to accept more children without rostering more staff. Your help with this is much appreciated.

Ideas or suggestions for our programs are welcomed – just contact myself or send me an email. We love hearing feedback so we can make the service the best we can for our families, children and school community.



Thank you for a fantastic term and I am looking forward to a fun and exciting Term 3.

Melissa Fletcher


Helping Hands Network Rydalmere East
Phone 0475 823 785

Enrol now at REPS for 2018

We are now taking enrolments for kindergarten and preschool for next year.

- Kindy students need to be turning 5 by 31 July 2018
- Preschoolers need to be turning 4 by 31 July 2018

Please let your friends and neighbours know.
Enrolment forms are available from the office or from our website



DON'T JUST BELIEVE WHAT YOU'VE HEARD ...
COME AND SEE MARSDEN HIGH SCHOOL FOR YOURSELF!

PRINCIPAL TOURS AVAILABLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

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School holiday ideas

Sydney Olympic Park – details for activities go to
www.kidsinthepark.com.au

City of Parramatta Winter '17 School Activity
Guide www.cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au