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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome back for Term 3

Welcome back everyone and a special welcome is extended to our two new students who have commenced with us today. We also welcome back Mrs Howard who will be returning two days per week (Monday- Tuesday) for the remainder of the year. Mrs Howarth will continue to teach the Dolphins class (Wednesday-Friday). For the next five weeks, we also welcome Mrs Tinker who will be working alongside the Matildas class with Miss Browne.

Term Three will be an extremely busy one. Our stage three (Year 5 and Year 6) students will attend the Snowy / Canberra excursion during week 3. Due to this, we have postponed our Education Week celebrations until week 4. Our biennial school concert will also be held later in the term. See the calendar of events below for additional dates and information.

Enrol now for Kindergarten 2019 – Enrolments are now being accepted for Kindergarten 2019. If you have a child due to start school next year please contact the school office ASAP on 49970286 to start the process. Enrolment forms are available from the office or online on the school Department of Education website. At this stage, we anticipate to welcome 17 new Kindergarten students in 2019.

BOUQUETS

Recycle for Sight Program- Thank you!

We have collected exactly 100 pairs of glasses as part of this initiative in 2018. Before we hand over the glasses to the Lions Club, one final shout out for any old sets of spectacles that could be collected. Personally, I was able to locate five pairs of glasses and added these to our collection yesterday. Do you have any old pairs of glasses that could be recycled too? If so, please send these into the school office by Friday.

Athletics Carnival

Many thanks to all parents and staff who assisted with ensuring our annual athletics carnival was a success. Special acknowledgement is forwarded to Mr Gilmour-Walsh for his coordination and to the Little A's Club for all their assistance.

TERM THREE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Day	Date	Event	Information
Wednesday	25 July	Cultural Enrichment Excursion	Year 5 and Year 6 Classes. Hawks Nest.
Friday	27 July	School Trees Day	http://treeday.planetark.org/schools/
Friday	27 July	Ministers Assembly	9:10am
Tuesday	31 July	Red Cross Breakfast Club	Recommences
Tuesday	31 July	ICAS- English	All students in Year 3-6
Tuesday	31 July	ACARA NAPLAN Trial	Year 3
Wednesday	1 August	Opportunity class placement test	Parent nominations closed. Year 4- 2018
Thursday	2 August	Murrook Cultural Centre Visit	All students in Kindergarten to Year 2.
Friday	3 August	School Assembly	Athletics ribbons for placegetters in 8-13 year events
Tuesday	7 August	Zone Field	
Tuesday – Friday	7 August – 10 August	Snowy / Canberra Excursion	Stage 3 students
Wednesday	8 August	Youyoong AECG	Tea Gardens Public School- 10am
Friday	10 August	Zone Athletics	
Thursday	16 August	ACARA NAPLAN Trial	Year 5
Monday	13 August- 17 August	Education Week	The theme for Education Week 2018 is 'Today's schools – creating tomorrow's world.'
Tuesday	14 August	ICAS- Mathematics	All students in Year 3-6
Tuesday	14 August	P&C meeting	7pm in school library
Saturday- Friday	18-24 August	CBCA Book Week	Theme: Find Your Treasure. http://cbca.org.au/
Wednesday	22 August	38th Annual Newcastle Permanent Mathematics Competition	Stage Three students
Friday	31 August	Premiers Reading Challenge concludes	https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html
Friday	31 August	Hunter Regional Athletics	Successful zone representatives only
Friday	31 August	Dads in Education Breakfast	BBQ breakfast served from 8.00am
Sunday	2 September	Fathers' Day	Thanks Dad!
Wednesday	5 September	Youyoong AECG	Shoal Bay PS 10am
Thursday	6 September	The Great Book Swap Indigenous Literacy Day	http://www.indigenoussliteracyfoundation.org.au/the-great-book-swap.html
Friday	14 September	Circular Circus Performance	K-6 at 1.55pm
Tuesday	25 September	School Concert Matinee	Additional information to follow
Wednesday	26 September	School Concert Evening Performance	Additional information to follow
Friday	28 September	Last Day of Term 3	Spring Vacation

SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

School Focus of the week is: All Settings expectations

Everyone, Everywhere, Every-time

Safety	Personal Best	Respect
Follow teacher instructions	Always do your best	Take care of property
Listen when others are speaking	Be a positive role model	Right place right time
Wear school uniform	Challenge yourself	Hands and feet to yourself
Use appropriate language	Be proud of yourself	Report problems
Treat all staff and visitors with respect	Participate	Be prepared

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

We look forward to finding out who are this week's Merit Award recipients at our assembly. Assembly is held on Friday morning commencing at 9:10am and everyone is welcome. This Friday, the student ministers will be hosting the assembly. We look forward to seeing you there.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

SALE!!!!

Long Sleeved Yellow Polo shirts

\$15 each (Size 4 to 16)

Navy Dry & Cosy Water Proof Jackets

\$20 each (limited stock and sizes)

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL- RESPONSIBILITIES

Parent/s or caregivers are required – by law – to provide a written or verbal explanation to the Principal / teacher within seven calendar days of any absence as to why their child was not at school.

It is important that the school receives a written or verbal explanation because:

1. It is a parent's legal obligation to explain their child's absence within seven days
2. It is a requirement that the school investigate all unexplained absences
3. It avoids the school and the School Attendance Officer from making unnecessary investigations
4. It is the way the school knows that your child was legitimately absent and not truanting from school

If you have any difficulties in providing a written explanation of your child's absence, please contact your school principal

KINDERGARTEN 2019 – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Please complete the form below if your child will be enrolling in Kindergarten next year.

Child Surname	
Child First Name	
Siblings enrolled at our school	YES / NO
Date of Birth	
Parents Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

“THE SNACK SHACK” CANTEEN – WINTER MENU for Term 3

Pre-Ordered Items

Rolls and Wraps	Cost
Chicken & salad round roll	\$4.00
Beef & salad round roll	\$4.00
Ham & salad round roll	\$4.00
Chicken & salad wrap	\$4.00
Beef & salad wrap	\$4.00
Ham & salad wrap	\$4.00
Chicken, lettuce & mayo wrap	\$3.50
Egg, lettuce & mayo wrap	\$3.50
Extras: Cheese	\$0.50
Hot Foods	Cost
Ham & pineapple pizza	\$3.00
Hot chicken & cheese long roll	\$4.00
Hot chicken & gravy long roll	\$4.00
Hot beef & gravy long roll	\$4.00
Chicken fillet & salad hamburger	\$4.50
Drinks	Cost
Bottled water 500mls	\$1.50
Fruit juice 200ml popper -orange, apple or apple & blackcurrant	\$1.50

Available in snack breaks

Snacks, drinks and treats	Cost
Slush puppie (Small)	\$1.00
Slush puppie (Large)	\$2.00
Fruit smoothies (selected days only)	\$1.50
Seasonal fresh fruit cup	\$1.00
Apple slinky	0.60c
Milo custard	0.70c
Plain rice crackers	0.20c
Popcorn	0.20c
Pikelet (selected days only)	0.50c
Fruit / sweet muffin (selected days)	\$1.00

Sandwiches and Toasties	Cost
Vegemite sandwich	\$2.00
Cheese sandwich	\$2.50 toasted \$3.00
Ham & cheese sandwich	\$3.00 toasted \$3.50
Ham, cheese & tomato s/w	\$3.50 toasted \$4.00
Ham, cheese & pineapple s/w	\$3.50 toasted \$4.00
Corn on the cob	\$1.30 with butter \$1.50
Garlic bread	0.50c
Hot Foods	Cost
Chicken nuggets (4)	\$3.00 with sauce \$3.50
Chicken nuggets (6)	\$4.00 with sauce \$4.50
Chicken nuggets (8)	\$5.00 with sauce \$5.50
Chicken nuggets (10)	\$6.00 with sauce \$6.50
Party pie	\$2.00 with sauce \$2.50
Drinks	Cost
Chocolate flavoured low fat milk 300mL	\$1.80
Strawberry flavoured low fat milk 300mL	\$1.80
Milo – hot or cold	\$1.50

No pre-ordering required

Snacks, drinks and treats	Cost
Frozen juice drops	0.20c
Frozen pineapple ring	0.30c
Frozen grapes	0.50c
Frozen fruit soft serve	\$1.00
Frozen coconut & mango pops	\$1.30
Frozen yoghurt & fruit pops	\$1.30
Fresh orange juice frozen pops	\$1.00
Welsh fruit stick	0.50c
Moosies –chocolate or bluemoon	\$1.30

Information for parents and carers

ACARA Item Trial

Your child's school has been selected by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) to participate in this year's ACARA Item Trial. The trial is being held in approximately 440 schools across Australia between Monday 30 July and Friday 17 August 2018.

Item Trial tests have occurred each year since 2007. Each year a small number of schools participate. Schools are carefully selected to ensure a diverse range of student backgrounds and abilities is represented.

ACARA appreciates the participation of your child in the Item Trial. The purpose of the trial is to evaluate potential questions (items) for use in future NAPLAN tests. Your child's involvement and the results from the trial will help ACARA ensure that NAPLAN tests remain valid, reliable and fair for all students.

Please be assured the Item Trial is about testing the questions, not students.

No information that identifies your child will be collected during the Item Trial, and your child's results are not reported. There are no consequences for your child or the school based on how many questions your child gets right or wrong.

What the trial involves

Your child will sit two Item Trial tests. These will be, for example, a Reading and Numeracy test; a Reading and Conventions of Language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) test; a Numeracy and Conventions of Language test; or two Writing tests.

The tests will be administered at the school by trained test supervisors. The teacher will remain in the classroom. Where tests are online, your child will use the device that they use for everyday classroom activities, such as a desk-based computer, a laptop, or a tablet.

All selected students are expected to participate in the Item Trial, unless they have been exempted or withdrawn from NAPLAN tests. If you have questions about your child's participation, please raise these with your school.

Further information about NAPLAN and the move to online assessment is available at www.nap.edu.au For an idea of what the NAPLAN online tests look like, visit the public demonstration site at www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site