



Bulletin

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

It has been wonderful having all our students back at school. The classrooms have been busy with some enthusiastic face to face teaching and students have thoroughly enjoyed meeting up with their friends in the playground.

SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Last week we held the National Simultaneous Storytime via Google Meet, given that we are unable to have assemblies or large gatherings. The students really enjoyed seeing our teachers acting out the parts and narrating, thank you Mrs Rees, Mr Livio, Mrs Gooden and Mrs Murray. We also acknowledged the importance of Reconciliation Week.

WELLBEING WEEK

This week is Wellbeing Week. We began with our first band rehearsal which caused great excitement. At this stage however, the students continue with their individual and group tutorials via Zoom. Yesterday, it was terrific to see our students joining in with the Pyjama Day and today was our first formal assembly via Google Meet. Thank you to the captains who did a fantastic job of running this assembly.

HYGIENE PROTOCOLS

We have maintained strict hygiene protocols, with everyone washing hands thoroughly, the use of hand sanitiser in every room, staff maintaining social distancing and everyone staying at home when they are unwell. As mentioned in the last newsletter, students must have their own drink bottle, lunch boxes, pencil cases or containers all clearly labelled with their names.

SCHOOL GROUNDS

Parents and visitors are still not able to enter the school grounds. This means if you wish to contact the school you need to continue to do so by phone or by email. To assist this, students need to be clear about which gate they are meeting you at, in the afternoons.

CANTEEN/CLOTHING POOL

Canteen is open for online orders only. I would like to thank the parents who have generously contributed to two special afternoon teas for the staff. This is a lovely initiative and very much appreciated by the staff. The Clothing Pool will only be open on Monday mornings 9.00-9.30am and Wednesday 2.45-3.15pm if previous arrangements have been made with the Sturt P&C. In this event, parents are only able to walk directly to and from the Clothing Pool.

COVID-19 TESTING

If your child or anyone in your immediate family is tested for COVID-19, please notify the school because this is important information which I need to report to the NSW Department of Education.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS TESTING

Changes to the opportunity class placement process for 2020 Year 4 students

The 2021 Year 5 opportunity class placement process was put on hold in April 2020 due to the COVID-19 situation.

We now have a revised and simplified timeline for the OC placement process to ensure that students and families can have certainty about their placement as soon as possible.

The changes include:

- A new date for online applications. Parents must apply between **9 June 2020 and 26 June 2020**. Late applications cannot be accepted.

- A new test date - Wednesday **16 September 2020**.

To ensure fair and consistent assessment of students across New South Wales, students will be offered places based only on their test results this year – there will be no school assessment scores.

There will also be no opportunity for appeals given the tight timeframes.

For further detailed information I encourage you to visit (<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>)

Kerry Barker
Principal

AWARDS - TERM 2 WEEK 6

CLASS	MERIT	HOW 2 Learn
Kangaroo	Lachlan M Isabelle G	Bentley P Ethan R
Kookaburra	Sophia B Melody K	Lila L Tyler G
Koala	Agang A Ezekiel N	Terrence S Rory H
Emu	Lando W Dallas D	Samson H Alexys O
Goanna	Anna-Rose D Alexander B	Allira C Blake C
Platypus	Alexander S Amelia H	Sophie P Kodi K
Wombat	Anderson A Darren E	Brock M Emmett B
Acacia	Juri F Amelia W	Leon F Evelyn K
Waratah	Sam T Eliza M	Owen P Rohan W
Banksia	Ella S Declan R	Ellyn S Travis M
Hakea	Jigme P James C	Emma L Jasper P
Snowy	Emmeline H Hannah T	Saritia M Levi S
Murrumbidgee	Wil A Aidan L	Billie P Stephanie C
Darling	Tye C Ryan M	Charlie B Charli M
Lachlan	Elly Z Ariba O	Yixin I Shreshta B
Clarence	Tristan B Jorja W	Roy W Gemma B



Focus is the key underpinning principle of the Positive Living Skills program. Being able to fully connect with a task or to a moment in time is a key driver of success in any area of life, and building the skill to actively direct our focus in positive ways from moment to moment allows us to move toward and to appreciate positive experiences and ultimately live our lives in positive ways, as we move toward our potential.

When students learn how to direct their focus to the present moment, learning is enhanced along with self-awareness and self-management. When children learn to develop the skills to direct their focus in positive ways, they experience more fulfilment, higher quality relationships and ultimately more enjoyment at home and at school.

SPS CONTACTS



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REMINDERS

WEEK 7

Monday 8 June	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday 9 June	Opportunity Class 2021 Applications Open