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Kalori Newsletter

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Principal's Report

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Semester Reports Home
Parent-Teacher Interviews
Last Day Term 2
Athletics Carnival

Fri 28th Jun

Week 10

Fri 5th Jul

Tue 23rd Jul (**first day back Term 3**)

WHAT'S DUE NOW

Athletics Carnival
Sport in Schools

PYJAMA DISCO – THANK YOU TO OUR P&C

It's been a while, but last Friday we had our first disco for 2019 and it was a fantastic night filled with onesies, dressing gowns and ugg boots; perfect for a cold winter night! The canteen was a hit with our zesty ex-students and parent volunteers doing a great job serving yummy chicken and meatball subs and drinks for all to enjoy. Our DJ, Blake Fischer, was pumping out the tunes and it was great to see so many people of all ages having a dance throughout the night to 'classic' hits like... Gangnam Style ;) Thank you Blake! I'd like to thank all the PPPS staff who were able to come along and lend a hand and a huge thank you goes to our wonderful P&C Fundraising Committee - Alison Walsh & Kylie Bayley, and all our parent volunteers for putting on such a successful night for the community..... I'll have to practice my moves for the next one!

CELEBRATING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS

On Tuesday 18th June, the Multicultural Public Speaking finals were held at Panania Public School. Schools from our local area selected two finalists from Stage 2 and two finalists from Stage 3 to represent their school in the competition. Our Stage 2 finalists were Chanelle Merheb and Avangelina Afungia. From Stage 3 we had Riya Amin and Nathan Nguyen. Unfortunately I was unable to attend the Stage 2 finals, however Mrs Stawski was there to see our brave Stage 2 stars in action and she was raving about their outstanding performances. I attended the Stage 3 speeches and was extremely impressed by the standard delivered. It was a wonderful day and we are very proud to announce that Avangelina and Nathan were awarded with a highly commended speeches amongst their competitors. Well-done Chanelle, Avangelina, Riya and Nathan... we are so proud of the way you delivered your speeches with such bravery and zest!

REPORTS AND PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Student reports are being sent home today. I would like to congratulate our dedicated staff and students on all the hard work they have put into teaching and learning throughout Semester 1. Our language of learning and approach to learning is thriving across the school throughout this semester and our student reports are both a reflection, and a celebration of this. Some parents may decide to book a parent-teacher interview after reading their child's report, so please be mindful that the cut-off time for booking interviews through the parent portal is at 5:00pm this Sunday 30th June.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

As this is the last newsletter for Term 2, I'd like to wish you all a very safe and enjoyable holiday. We've had yet another very productive term and I know this winter break is well deserved by all. Just a reminder that students are due to return to school on Tuesday 23rd July to commence another exciting term of learning. See you in Term 3!

Ben Walsh
Principal

Shared Language of Learning

This section focuses on the Shared Language of Learning that is used at PPPS. It is designed to enhance communication and understanding about learning and progress across the school community

BEE CURIOUS



"Curiosity is the spark behind the spark of every great idea. The future belongs to the curious"

Definition

Curiosity is our student's ability to learn and take an interest in new things. Curiosity allows our students to actively question their own learning and the world around them, to discover and grow both as a learner and a person. For example when told that Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world a curious learner wants to know how high? Or where is it? Or might even already know, that even though it is the highest, it is not in fact the tallest.

Why Curiosity?

Curiosity defines a lifelong learner and is at the heart of all our greatest adventures and ideas. Students who are curious learners, are successful learners and continue to learn regardless of the setting. They are the innovators, leaders and minds of the future.

Language of Learning Challenge

This week is simple. Be Curious and discover something new or interesting with your child/children.

Student Quote of the Week

"When you attempt something at first it might be OK.. but then you wonder what if??
And you're curious.. it takes you to another level" Talia Iskandar & Sarah McComb

Stage 1 Report

SEMESTER 1

After a busy term, both the students and teachers have worked hard and we would like to congratulate the students on the great progress they have made so far.

Reports came home today and we urge you take the time to sit down with your child over the weekend to discuss their report and portfolio before the parent teacher conferences in Week 10!

We look forward to meeting with you and remind you that this is only a 15 minute timeslot. ***Could all parents please BRING THEIR CHILD'S PORTFOLIO to the interview.***

Please ensure that you have booked your interview online. Notes went home last week regarding interview times. Get in quick as many families have already booked their time.

SPORT IN SCHOOLS – TERM 3

Next term, every Tuesday, Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue their Sport in Schools program.

Our focus for next semester will be:

- Sport skills and teamwork - fundamental movement skills while playing with and sharing equipment in minor games
- Gymnastics - perform basic movement patterns to show actions of the whole body

Stage 2 Report

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have received a Gold Principal's award at assembly.

- Ryan Watters
- Yuki Chen

PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS

Congratulations to Chanelle Merheb and Avangelina Afungia, who represented Picnic Point Public School in the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition last Tuesday. Both girls did very well in a very tough competition! The impromptu topic 'To The Rescue' was extremely difficult but the girls kept their cool and spoke confidently. You made us feel very proud, well done!

OC TEST AND WORKSHOPS

The Opportunity Class test will be held in Week 2 of next term and I would like to congratulate all the students who worked hard and took responsibility for preparing to have a go. We wish you all the best.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

We hope to see everyone at the interviews, to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their achievements. Teachers have tried to be as flexible as possible to try and accommodate everyone, but if none of the allocated times suit you, please talk to your child's teacher about alternate arrangements.

SPORT IN SCHOOLS

Sport in Schools will continue to be on even Thursdays in Term 3. The focus for next semester will be:

- Equipment use in a variety of games and sports;
- Teamwork, communication, decision making and observing rules in games and sport;
- Movement patterns in a variety of dance situations.

STATIONERY AND EQUIPMENT

Please ensure your equipment is replenished over the holidays. Many of the students in Stage 2 have mega-sized pencil cases, with not a pencil in sight! The items they most need are: two or three HB pencils, a red pen, a blue pen if they have a pen license, a good quality eraser and a ruler. A shorter ruler for underlining is also helpful.

SCRAP/WORKING OUT PAPER REQUEST

Mrs Stawski is in desperate need of 'scrap' paper for the students' working out, planning and brainstorming. If anyone has spare paper (can be typed on one side), we would love some donations. Many thanks.

3/4 XENON STICK INSECT SEARCH

The students in Xenon are desperately seeking some baby stick insects to look after. We have a beautiful 'hotel' for them to live in and very keen monitors to look after their every whim and need! We have obtained eggs from Sydney Museum, but unfortunately they have not hatched after many months. If anyone has spare babies (stick insects only, please!) or knows where we can get some, please let Mrs Stawski know.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

On behalf of the Stage 2 teaching team, I would like to wish all our boys and girls, mums and dads, grandmas and grandpas and everyone else a very happy, relaxing, adventurous and safe holiday. I also want to acknowledge the work, time and dedication our teachers put into teaching your children.

See you in Term 3!

Stage 3 Report

BYOD

We are becoming a little concerned that some students are becoming a little complacent about our BYOD program. All students who have signed the agreement need to ensure that devices are fully charged and at school each day (Monday – Thursday). Under no circumstances are personal devices used by another student and it is the responsibility of each student to ensure their device is safely stored at recess and lunch times.

We have seen that some students are using their devices to email or message each other. The students are aware that if this happens in class time their device will be confiscated until the end of the day. The students devices are a learning tool and not for social or gaming purposes while within the school grounds.

We encourage all families to revisit our BYOD policy on the school website.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

All stage 3 teachers are looking forward to sharing discussions with parents on their child's progress during interview week.

We thank you in anticipation of being on time with the allocated time slot and respectful of parents waiting after your time. This allows a smooth and streamlined flow with minimal disruption to all parties.

STATIONERY SUPPLIES

In readiness for Term 3, we respectfully ask that all students check their stationery supplies. Many students need to make sure they have whiteboard markers, pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, glue sticks, protractor and post it notes accessible every day.

INCURSION

Last week we had our colonial incursion. It was lots of fun and the students gave some very positive feedback about the show. It was however disappointing not to see Mr Belgre flogged!!

Keep an eye on the schools website for some photos from the day.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

At the beginning of next term notes will start to come home about the end of year activities for Year 6. One they all look forward to is the Signature Bear.

Look out for this note early next term. There will be a strict cut off date as we have to get the order in to make sure we have them in time for the Farewell.

Are you great at making cupcakes?? We are asking if any of our wonderful Year 6 Parents would like to volunteer to make and decorate a small cake and a few cupcakes? We will cover the cost for the ingredients from the Year 6 fundraising. Please email or send a message to Mrs Chatt.

GRAFFITI INFORMATION FOR STAGE 3 STUDENTS

All Stage 3 students attended a Graffiti information talk on Wednesday. Here, the students were made aware of this complex social issue, with discussions and questions addressing a lot of misconceptions about terminology and conflicting ideas about what is considered art. Delivered by leading educationalists, Warner Youth Education, the Graffiti Education program informs young people about the legal, social and personal consequences of graffiti. It encouraged them to be part of the solution by developing a sense of civic pride.

Band

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Engadine BandFest	Mon 1 st Jul
Band Committee Meeting	Mon 5 th Aug (T3)
Education Week Performance	Wed 7 th Aug (T3)
Australian School Band Festival	Sun 15 th Sep (T3)
Showcase Day Performance	Tue 19 th Nov (T4)
Thank You Morning Tea Performance	Fri 29 th Nov (T4)

ENGADINE BANDFEST

Engadine BandFest is on Monday and students need to be at school **at 7:15am** (Mrs Stawski's classroom) to put their school bags away, be fitted with a vest and be ready to board the bus and leave by 7:30am sharp. All students will be travelling on the buses together. Please pack their recess in a separate bag to bring to the venue. Lunch will be back at school, but I would not recommend lunch orders, as we may be back too late.

Bring	Instrument, music, recess, wear band uniform
Address	St George Bank Auditorium, 4 - 16 Montgomery Street, Kogarah

We will need a few parents to help put vests on in the morning.

All students will be travelling on the buses together. Please phone if your child is unable to attend on the day.

Choir

SENIOR CHOIR

Our choir is now back in the swing of things and we are enjoying practising our songs each week. This week (Week 9), interested students are trying out for soprano roles, these students will be advised soon if they made it into that group. Due to Mrs Collinet being on leave, the choir is not quite ready to perform this term at our School Assembly and thus they will perform in Term 3.

Thanks to Miss Kyriacou for looking after choir so well while Mrs Collinet was away and motivating them to greatness. Many students still do not have a Choir Folder to hold their song words. Please, over the holidays, could those who do not have a folder buy one and bring to our weekly practices. Also some students have decided they wish to leave our choir. The rule is that if you need to leave, please bring a note from your parents agreeing to this.

Chess

UPCOMING EVENTS:

No games Week 10 (Fri July 5 th) so students to go home at 3:00pm	
Junior Chess League resumes	Fri 26 th Jul

JCL COMPETITION

Congratulations again to all our players on this season's competition! It is almost sad that it will be coming to an end early next term - everyone has been enjoying it so much! Unless you are in Year 6, I sincerely hope that you will put your hand up for a team again next year! You are all showing great sportsmanship and manners. On top of that, you are learning so much more about this clever game!

Library

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the following students:

Year 4

Thomas Luong

Blake Petrovski

Jessica Webster

SRC

TOSSER-FREE TUESDAY

Congratulations Picnic Point! What a fantastic effort for Tosser Free Tuesday! Our analysis of the garbage on Tuesday showed an amazing reduction in the amount of throw away plastic we brought to school for our recess and lunch. We could see we were "Going Green" by the amount of green worn in the playground.

So, let's keep it up and remind ourselves that **every Tuesday** we are going to be **Tosser-Free** and only bring recyclable or compostable products to school for recess and lunch - we won't wear mufti though!

GREAT TEAM EFFORT

Mr Bowen and Mrs Ashton would like to thank all our Semester 1 SRC Reps for putting in so much effort this year. What a great team effort with lots of attendance at meetings and wonderful ideas. We will be changing to our Semester 2 Reps after the holidays.

Gardening Club

Our little gardeners have been able to take home lots of herbs, fresh peas, chillies and mini tomatoes over the last few weeks. Our garden is still producing lots of veggies and we will be looking forward to planting new ones to taste next term. We are also encouraging our native bees with our Bee Hotel, so look out for lots of activity around our flowers. Well done gardeners!

Sport Report

UPCOMING EVENTS:

State Cross Country

Fri 26th July

STATE GIRLS BASKETBALL

Last week Mia Dodd and Violet Loane represented Sydney South West at the NSW State Basketball Championships. Please find below a detailed report from their coach, Donna Moffat about their successful week! We are so incredibly proud of you both girls!!! WOW!!!!!!!!!!!! GOLD! GOLD! GOLD!

Round		Opponent	Result	Score
1	vs	Sydney East	Won	50-25
2	vs	North West	Won	80-25
3	vs	CIS	Won	56-20
4	vs	Riverina	Won	61-15
5	vs	Barrier	Won	66-19
6	vs	Sydney West	Won	52-25
7	vs	Polding	Won	50-28
8	vs	Mackillop	Won	56-43

SYDNEY SOUTH WEST - 2019 PRIMARY GIRLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

In Week 8 of Term 2, 14 teams of 10 players each from around the state travelled to the Lauren Jackson Sports Stadium in Albury for the 2019 Primary Girls Basketball State Championships. Sydney South West took 10 girls who were selected from the 8 zones that competed in the Regional carnival held in Term 1.

The Championships were hosted by Riverina, with a surprise visit from Lauren Jackson herself a highlight of the 3 day tournament. Sydney South West played in pool B, where we completed 6 pool matches undefeated. The girls were impressive as they convincingly won against every team. This saw SSW finish first in Pool B.

We had qualified for the semi-finals where we played Polding (one of the two Catholic school regions). The girls were again dominant winning that match 50-28. This saw SSW into the final for the second year running (we won the silver medal last year). We took on Mackillop (the other Catholic school region) in a close final. The girls played well with special mention of Jessie-May Hall from Lurnea public school who scored 38 points! The final score was a SSW win 56-43.

SSW had become NSW State Champions for the first time since 1983 (when the region was called Met South West). These girls have done something special. Their sportsmanship, attitude and commitment was exemplary. They have done themselves, their families, their schools and the region proud.

A special mention must go to Jessie-May Hall who was selected in the NSW State Team. Jessie-May was the team captain and her remarkable skills were invaluable in securing this fantastic achievement. Jessie-May demonstrates ability and maturity well beyond her years.

The 10 girls are:

- Jessie-May Hall – Leumeah Public School
- Desiree Lin - Padstow North PS
- Violet Loane – Picnic Point PS
- Rhianna Pang - Padstow Park Public School
- Mia Dodd - – Picnic Point PS
- Mia Minshall - Padstow North PS
- Gabriella Arena – Wattle Grove PS
- Leilani Filemu - Wattle Grove PS
- Cyan Taripo - Padstow Park Public School
- Dawn Taripo - Padstow Park Public School

Congratulations girls! This achievement is simply amazing.

Donna Moffat

Coach – Dalmeny Public School



K-6 SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

All K-6 will participate in our School Athletics Carnival first day back next term, Tuesday 23rd July. The students are to be at school at 8:30am and must meet their teacher at their classroom steps. Students are to wear their sport house colours or sports uniform.

A program for the day will come home in Week 10. Parents please bring this with you on the day.

A canteen will be operating at the carnival and our wonderful parent helpers always provide delicious food throughout the day. Please remember to bring your money to purchase food and drinks throughout the day and apply sunscreen before you leave home.

Mrs Austin will send an email on Monday 22nd July with last minute reminders. We look forward to a great day.

Thank you to those who have already returned their note and money. This is due to the office by Monday 1st July. Thank you.



Teenie Weenies Learning Centre



Teenie Weenies is a privately, family owned and run childcare centre by the Sister and Brother team of Marie and Chris. Marie having a Child Care background and Chris' catering background and love for food and cooking has had Teenie Weenies operating in the community since opening their doors in late 2010.

Teenie Weenies work towards meeting and exceeding all requirements and acknowledge the importance of play and learning in an early childhood environment. We are a small 29 place service with a close knit team who are dedicated, highly skilled and motivated educators.

Our amazing cook also offer's home cooked meals not only to our children through out the day, however to parents to purchase as well and make life that little bit easier when getting home of an evening.

Mon-Fri, 7am-6pm

- Qualified Cook
- Quality Staff
- Home made Take away
Family meals
- School Readiness
- Home-like environment
- NSW curriculum framework

We have an Open Door Policy, please feel free to come in and visit at anytime.

**READY
SET
GROW**

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**ENROL FOR TERM 3
START FROM
22/07/2019**

Boy — 男孩
Girl — 女孩
Apple — 苹果
House — 房子
Book — 书

CHINESE LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS

Why learn Chinese?

- China is Australia's biggest trading partner.
- More Chinese business communities in Australia.
- Mandarin has emerged as the new must-have language.
- Provide your child's future more opportunities.

		Day	Time
	Mandarin Speakers		
Class A	Beginner (start from Pinyin)	Wednesday	3:45 - 5:45
Class B	Beginner (start from Reading)	Monday	3:45 - 5:45
	English Speakers		
Class C	Beginner (start from speaking)	Monday	3:45 - 5:45

*** Chinese Mainland primary school teaching material**

*** Experienced Chinese Teachers**

*** Small Groups**



CS education Revesby

Add: 32A Marco Ave, Revesby

Tel: 0451 577 008

Rotary
Rotary Club of Padstow Inc.



Panania Village Markets

Second Saturday of the Month

9am – 1.30pm

Panania Library Lawn

Corner Anderson Ave & Tower St Panania

2019

July 13 Aug 10 Sept

14 Oct 12 Nov 9

Dec 14

Stall Enquiries: Paul Laverty

0414 675 736

Email: hortic12@tpg.com.au

*The market is managed and operated by
the **Rotary Club of Padstow Inc.** as a
community project with proceeds in
support of local and other charities.*

Tuning in to Teens



Help your teen develop emotional intelligence

Parenting program for parents of adolescents aged 12+

Would you like to know how to:

- engage your teen in conversation?
- help your teen learn to manage their emotions?
- prevent behaviour problems?
- teach your teen to deal with conflict?

- No charge
- Five week course 2019
- Parents only

Tuning in to Teens shows you how to develop *emotional intelligence*, and help them:

- be more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- have greater success with making friends and managing conflict with peers
- be more able to cope when upset or anger
- have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- have greater school and career success

Where: Birrong Boys' High School
Rodd Street, Birrong

When: Wednesdays 9.30-11.30am
July 31, August 7, 14, 21, 28



To register: Rima at BWHC - 9790 1378

Souhair at Birrong Boys - 9644 5200 (ext. 245)



Bankstown
women's
health centre



Program delivered by BWHC and Birrong Boys' High School