



# Dates To Remember

#### **TERM TWO 2019**

Friday 7th June SDSSA Winter Sport Round 5 - BYE Dragon Boat Festival Day

Monday 10th June
QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Wednesday 12th June Issue 4 Book Club orders due

Friday 14th June
Prep Excursion – Chesterfield Farm
SDSSA - Soccer Round Robin

Monday 17th June – Friday 21st June Year 5/6 Canberra Camp

Wednesday 19th June School Council 7pm

Friday 21st June Piece Together Prep Session 2

Monday 24th June End of Term Assembly 9am

Friday 28th June Last day of Term – 2:30pm finish

#### TERM THREE 2019

Monday 15th July CURRICULUM DAY

Tuesday 16th July First day of Term Three

Wednesday 30th July 100 DAYS OF PREP

Wednesday 31st July School Council 7pm

Friday 2nd August Piece Together Prep Session 3

## Thursday 6 June, 2019

# Principal's Report

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CROSS COUNTRY SUPERSTARS**

On Wednesday we had four students (Aaron, Bradley C, Hyuga and Ricky) qualify for the Division Cross Country Competition. All of the boys did their best and should feel very proud of their accomplishments. Congratulations to Ricky and Aaron who will go on to compete at the Eastern Metropolitan Region Cross Country. The boys have a tough decision to make - Year 5/6 camp or cross country!

#### **COLOUR RUN**

Don't forget you have till Friday to collect your sponsorship

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

• 5<sup>th</sup> June: Fundraising closes at 5pm

All cash donations handed to the office

• 6th – 12<sup>th</sup> June: CHOOSE YOUR PRIZES... More information to come

#### **DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL**

As part of our school cultural celebrations, we will be celebrating the Dragon Boat Festival on Friday June 7.

**10.30-11.00** we will be hearing from an athlete who participates in Dragon Boat racing and learn about the festival.

**11.30-1.30** Students in P-2 will make their own Dragon Boat utilising the Chinese designs and themes. Students in Years 3-6 will join as a team to create a team Dragon boat big enough for all students to hop in and race!

**2.30-3.30** Students in years 3-6 will race their Dragon Boats. The most creative design will be placed on show in the PAC. P-2 students will cheer on the competitors.

#### **GOOGLE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING**

Google Education organised another fantastic professional learning session exploring WeVideo last Thursday for MWHPS staff. Movie Making and Editing is a real skill when you apply it to creating a story and thinking about how you can use features such as music and film to influence others thoughts and ideas. This is a fantastic tool we will be utilising with all Year 3-6 students as they progress through their inquiry units.



#### **INQUIRY - TERM 3 - SETTING THE CHALLENGE**

We were super excited to introduce our Years 3-6 students to a new learning approach at MWHPS. Throughout Term 3 and part of Term 4, students will be given a choice out of the following 3 challenges to explore...

- With extinction rates ever increasing how can we make a difference?
- Putting humans on more than one planet would better ensure our existence into the future. How will we get to another planet and how do we set up a colony?
- Human population has seen exponential growth over the past few hundred years. How can we use technology to better produce food and feed our growing population?

As you can imagine the above challenges are huge and the students will not only pick an area that inspires them, but will be expected to collaboratively decide on an angle to take. For example, the extinction problem can be broken down to many areas - Pollution, Over harvesting, Habitat loss, Introduced species, etc. Students will research to find out what is happening locally, globally and internationally. They will then plan some sort of action, collect and analyse results and present their findings to others. A learning expo will be held in Term 4 where we will showcase their learning to our parent community.

Our goal is to inspire students to realise that they can make a difference - no matter how small the action. A range of IT skills will be incorporated into the project. All Year 3-6 teachers will take on one of the challenges and work with students across the Year 3-6 cohort.

Our industry partners are supporting our journey by providing the technology and supporting the excursions which will take place at the beginning of Term 3. These excursions and incursions will be the stimulus activity that will spark further ideas.

#### **SCHOOL COUNCILLORS NEEDED**

Due to changes in family circumstances, two school councillors will need to resign from their positions. We are currently seeking volunteers to step into these roles. No previous experience is necessary. If you are interested in learning more about school operations and contributing to decision making, than this is the perfect opportunity for you. Please see Carolyn or myself if you are interested.

#### YEAR 5 /6 CHROMEBOOKS:

Students are reminded that they must bring their device fully charged to school everyday. Charging a device on school premises is not permitted. This is due to OH&S requirements for tagging of leads and slips, trips and falls.

#### **DATES:**

Public Holiday: Monday 10 June Curriculum Day: Monday 15 July

#### Let's celebrate...

- The efforts of our cross-country qualifiers
- Being selected as an International Student School

Until next week,

## Sharon

Sharon Reiss-Stone









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# Assistant Principal's Report

#### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

From 7pm this evening you will be able to book your Parent Teacher Interview online through your Sentral account. These interviews are a great opportunity for you to discuss your child with their teacher. Prior to the interview have a look at your child's report and note down any questions you may have, you may want to discuss your child's social and emotional development or chat about their strength and weaknesses. This is also a good time to look at your child's goals for the future. The interviews are 10 minutes and if you require longer you will need to make another time with your child's teacher.

If your child is in 5/6M please be aware interviews for this class will be in term 3 due to the change in staff. However if you have any questions about your child please see Sharon or myself.

To book your time you will need to log onto your Sentral Parent Portal. For families with more than one student, we recommend not booking back to back interviews as you will need time to get to different rooms. If you have any problems please see the office.

#### **Nara Preschool Visit**

Last week we had a visit from the Nara Preschool students. The kinder teachers and students spent a couple of hours over two days having a primary school experience provided by our wonderful Prep staff. Miss Spurling, Mrs Despotellis and Helen did activities with the kinder students that included singing, puppets, movement and literacy skills. We enjoy having the kinder students visit as it gives them a feel for what primary school is like and an opportunity to work in our wonderful classrooms.

We continue to have great relationships with our local kinders and childcare centres and we hope to continue working closely with them. Not only are we delivering Japanese classes at Nara Preschool and hosting them for a visit but next term will see our Year 4 students work on a writing project with the kinder children. We also visit other kinders during the year and will be continuing to do so next term.

Thank you to our staff for providing such a great day for the Nara preschool children. As you can see from the photos they had a wonderful time!

Carolyn Carolyn Datson **Assistant Principal** 

















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# Japanese News

This week in our Nara Japanese session the students made 3D puppets so they can sing the whole song about the Panda, Usagi (rabbit) and Koala learnt in last weeks session.



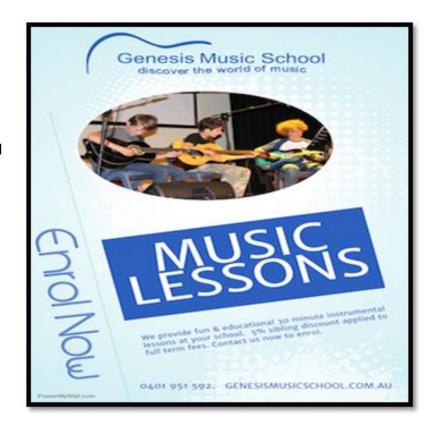


## Music News

Just a reminder that Genesis provides music lessons for individual students or small group lessons during school hours.

If you would like a form or further details please see the office.

Mrs Claire Furlong Music and Arts Specialist Teacher























# Sustainability News



Have you got a green thumb and a keen interest for growing fruit and vegetables?

We would like to revive our veggie patches and are looking for volunteers!

If you would like to be involved and share your expertise please contact Miss Spurling from Prep S.

Thank you:)



Students please don't forget to log your books that you have finished reading!

Currently 444 books have been read by our students - a FANTASTIC EFFORT!

If you have a book that you would like to recommend to others please let me know.

Keep reading everyone and well done!

Louise





















### **EXTEND UPDATE**

#### What's Been Happening?

Have you ever used your body as a paint brush before? Well last week our students had the chance to get their feet dirty, as they discovered the different designs their imprints left on the paper to then create masterpieces! Check out our masterpiece wall and i'm sure you'll be blown away with the range of items your children have put a lot of effort into creating.



"Slime was fun and mostly everyone's slime was successful! I enjoyed helping run the activity with Miesha and the rest of our helpers Caitlin, Sophie, Ariana and Lauren." - Natasha S

"I like doing the activities here, like making things from recycled resources, going to the prep playground to play with Nicolas and Damien and playing with the lego!" - Ryder C







Last weekend Lila and her sister Elsie snuggled up with Marshmallow and Brownie on the couch. Did you know that this is the guinea pigs 3rd time they've got to sleep over at the Robertson house!

#### The Extend Superstar is...

Maddie C from 1/2 G for setting a great example of how we respect our own and each other's personal space. Keep it up!

#### Coming up next week:

| Monday             | Tuesday                               | Wednesday                            | Thursday                                  | Friday  |
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| PUBLIC<br>HOLIDAY! | Bookworms & Cooking: Rice Paper Rolls | Guinea Pig<br>School &<br>Playground | Science:<br>Stress Balls &<br>Group Games | Fruit<br>Smoothies &<br><mark>Art</mark> : Recycled<br>Pet Toys |

From Jayde & the children.

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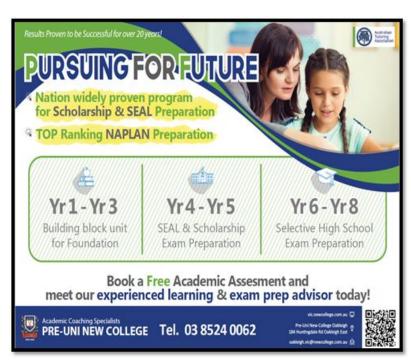
























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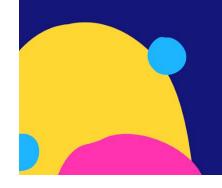


You are invited to an open day at

# NARA PRESCHOOL

**SATURDAY 15TH JUNE** 10.30AM - 12.30PM

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