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Sackville Street Public School

Term 1 Week 11



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From the Principal

Term 1 has been an exciting time of new learning for all our students in Numeracy and growth mindsets. Teachers continue to learn ways to help our students reach their personal best every day. Every student has set learning goals to achieve and can tell you how they will get there.

We have a new P&C executive moving ahead in 2017. I would like to personally thank our outgoing executive who have worked very hard alongside our school in making a difference for our students. Our new P&C executive are keen to continue their ongoing support of our school community and invite you to join them at the next P&C Meeting in May. Our executive are as follows:

President:	Reece Riley
Vice President:	Rob Cooper
Junior Vice President:	Nathan Fisher
Secretary:	Jo Cvetkoski
Treasurer:	Jennifer Gosling
Uniform Shop Sub Committee Convenor:	Kristy Riley

We are looking forward to a great year of learning and fundraising.

Diary Dates



April 2017

3rd – Dental checks begin
7th – Easter Hat Parade 12.20pm
7th – Last day of term 1
25th – Anzac Day
26th – Students return for Term 2

May 2017

9 – 12th – NAPLAN testing

Dr. Ake's
CANTEEN

CANTEEN UPDATE

We have a new canteen operator starting Term 2. "Brooke's Canteen" will provide great food for reasonable prices to our school community. Brooke is an enthusiastic owner who cares about students and their health. We are very excited to have Brooke on board and look forward to all the exciting food being offered. Make sure you say hello and make her feel welcomed. www.brookescanteen.com.au.

BREAK IN

We have had a recent break in at our school. A number of our computers were stolen. Of course this impacts on our students' learning. As we are coming up to holidays if you happen to see any suspicious behaviour in or around our school please call the police immediately. We have extra patrols happening throughout this week and the school holidays to prevent any other theft.

Please enjoy the holidays and hopefully you have quality time to spend with family members. Term 2 will see further focus on Numeracy and growth mindsets as well as great events like Mothers' Day afternoon tea, Winter PSSA, debating, Athletics Carnival and excursions.

Michael Newcombe
Principal

From the Deputy Principal

A very fast-paced and soggy term is coming to an end. I am super-impressed with the teaching and learning happening in all of our classes. With a focus on improving student outcomes in numeracy, our staff have dedicatedly gathered student data, differentiated their instruction to meet individual needs and attended professional learning to improve their teaching practice. This will certainly continue after the school holidays. I commend all of our staff for their commitment to our school's numeracy focus. We are currently working on exciting initiatives for building capacity in our parents to support the numeracy skills of students at home. Look out for these in the coming months.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the K-2 Easter Hat Parade on Friday. Have an enjoyable school holiday and be sure to say hi after the break.

NAPLAN

Information is going home to families of Years 3 & 5 students this week regarding upcoming NAPLAN testing. Please ensure you look for this in your child's bag. A copy will also appear on the school's website.

Dates for NAPLAN testing are:

Tuesday	9th May
Wednesday	10th May
Thursday	11th May
Friday	12th May (test catch up for any absences)

Please read the note carefully. Any parent wishing to withdraw their child from testing should make an appointment with the office to advise of this intention.

RETURN FOR TERM 2

The School Development Day for our staff will be on Monday 24th April, 2017. The focus for this day will be on formative assessment and quality teaching in the area of numeracy.

All students return to school on **Wednesday, 26th April 2017**.

ANZAC COMMEMORATIONS

On the morning of ANZAC Day, I will be joining Mr Newcombe and a group of our captains and prefects to be with the community at Ingleburn RSL for the Dawn Service. Our students will lay a wreath on behalf of the school.

On Thursday, 27th April 2017 our school will be holding an ANZAC service in the hall for Years 2-6. This service will commence at 10:00a.m. Parents and carers are welcome to join us, however we advise that this service is not appropriate for young children, given that it is a solemn occasion. Thank you for your understanding.

Kylie Lyneham
Acting Deputy Principal

EASTER RAFFLE

All tickets and money to be returned by Thursday 6 April 2017. You must write your name and phone number on the left hand side of the tickets, parents tear off and keep the right hand side. The request for donations for the hampers has been amazing with many chocolate treats to win. Raffle will be drawn on Friday 7 April. Good luck.

K-2 EASTER HAT PARADE

Friday 7th April 2017 12.20pm. All parents are welcome to attend the parade under the COLA in the 3-6 playground. Please help your child make a hat for the fun event. It can be as colourful and creative as you like. This is just for fun, it's not a competition.

HEALTHY HAROLD from Life Education is visiting Sackville Street Public school in Weeks 8-10 of Term 2. The cost is \$10.00 per child. Permission notes and more information will be coming soon. Harold is very excited and hopes to see you all in his amazing adventure van.

Mrs Petersen - coordinating teacher

STAGE ONE EXCURSION

An excursion is being finalised for the students in Stage One (1H, 1/2B, 1/2C, 1/2D, 1/2S, 1/2P and 1/2W) to the Science Centre at Wollongong on Monday 5 June 2017 (week 7). This amazing venue will provide hands-on experiences that will support our Science and History lessons at school. The approximate cost for this excursion will be around \$22.00. Watch out for a note and more information early next term.

Mrs Petersen - coordinating teacher

STAGE 3 GREAT AUSSIE BUSH CAMP 8 to 10 November 2017

A non-refundable \$50.00 deposit is required to be paid no later than **Friday 5 May 2017**. The balance will need to be paid by **Monday 11 September 2017**. Complete the permission note and return to the school office along with the deposit before 5 May 2017 to avoid disappointment. Numbers are limited so prompt return is recommended.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN WINTER PSSA 2017

Permission notes have been issued this week if your child is interested in participating in PSSA winter sport. Trials will be held in the last week of term 1 and first week of term 2. *Please note: returning the slip does not guarantee your child's selection into a team.* Depending on interest sports being offered are rugby league, soccer, hockey and netball. The cost for PSSA is \$7.00 per week. Children who do not participate in PSSA will take part in the school sports program.

2018 YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS APPLICATIONS

Applications will be available online only from **26 April 2017** for current Year 4 students who would like to apply for an Opportunity Class placement (at selected schools only). Applications close on **Friday 12 May 2017** – **NO** late applications will be accepted. There are **NO** paper applications. Apply at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5> . If you do not have access to the internet you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after **26 April 2017**.

You must notify the school office if you intend to apply for entry into the Opportunity Class. "Intention to apply" forms are available at the office.

TRAFFIC AT SCHOOL PICKUP TIME

School staff and parents have observed some very worrying traffic issues, particularly on Bradley Street in the afternoons. We are very concerned about student safety and the increased risks of vehicle collisions. We have therefore passed on our concerns to Macquarie Fields Police who will be increasing patrols around our school. The Police have also asked for us to note the licence plates of offenders, to be followed up. Please be mindful of parking signs, other vehicles and in particular pedestrians.

PAYMENTS BOX

Just a reminder that there is a payments box (letterbox slot) so that you can drop in money and notes at any time. You do not have to hand to the office staff. The box is locked and checked several times per day.

STARTING SCHOOL ON TIME

We have noticed a marked increase in children arriving late to school. The main reason given is "slept in" or was slow to school. It is very important that your child be at school for the bell at 8.57am to have their name marked off the roll. This is also the time that notes are handed out and reminders of upcoming events. Arriving just 10 minutes late is also very disruptive for the class and is marked as an unjustified absence. Thank you for your cooperation and look forward to prompt arrivals from term 2.

Notes sent home

2017 National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)
Expression of interest in Winter PSSA 2017