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# Sackville Street Public School

**Term 2 Week 6**



**01/06/2017**

## *From the Principal*

It is so great to be back at Sackville Street after a really interesting educational learning tour in Canada. I was able to see schools that use our current professional learning model of 'Spirals of Inquiry'. It validated the huge impact we are making on strengthening our teaching skills. This model ensures that students always remain at the centre of all we do. Our current focus on Numeracy has seen an impressive growth in learning for our students.

Whilst I was overseas I had the opportunity to visit a First Nations' community. It highlighted the need for our school to ensure that the culture of Aboriginal Australia is beyond tokenism and always remains a focus and source of pride in the world's oldest living culture.

The students of Sackville Street made me feel so welcomed back. I certainly missed their great sense of humour and spending time with them with new learning. Big thanks to Mrs Lyneham for relieving in my role as well as Mrs King for relieving in the Deputy Principal role. They did an amazing job and it was great to hear of all the positive news coming to me via social media. I had many opportunities to showcase our school and many educators are interested in visiting us in the near future. Our school is part of NOII (Networks of Inquiry and Innovation) and with other schools worldwide we have made connections to create disciplined inquiry around the following four key questions about student learning:

Can you name two people in this school/setting who believe that you can be a success in life?

Where are you going with your learning?

How are you doing with your learning?

Where are you going next with your learning?

## Diary Dates



### June 2017

5 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 1 Excursion
6 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Cross Country
8 <sup>th</sup>	Debating Gala Day Mac-Fields
13 <sup>th</sup>	Life Education Van arrives
15 <sup>th</sup>	Regional Cross Country - Hurlstone
27 <sup>th</sup>	Parent teacher interviews
29 <sup>th</sup>	SSPS Naidoc Dac
30 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 1 Reward Day
30 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term

### July 2017

17 <sup>th</sup>	Staff development day
18 <sup>th</sup>	Students first day of term 3

### Assembly dates:

K-2: June 8, 22  
3 – 6: June 1, 15, 29



### *From the Deputy Principal*

Having a bit more time in classrooms lately has been fantastic. I've particularly enjoyed working with Stage 3 students on the issue of bullying through the reading and writing of poetry. The first sessions revolved around the role of bystanders when bullying occurs. Mr Newcombe and I are proud of the mature discussions the students generate. We look forward to also having time with our Stage 2 classes to work on this same issue of making a stand against bullying.

Congratulations to the students attending PSSA each week on their behaviour. In general, our teachers are reporting that player conduct away from school has improved since Term 1. Keep up the good work players and thank you to our teachers for coaching these teams during breaks.

I would also like to say congratulations to the P&C on a very informative meeting last week. Thank you for inviting the Deputy of Ingleburn High School and next year's Yr 7 advisor along to share information and answer questions about high school transition. We also had a guest speaker from Campbelltown Council join us to talk about signage and traffic issues around our school. We were provided with a great deal of information and also given the opportunity to report directly on possible solutions.

I am visiting three other schools this week to learn about successful practices and management, all of which I can bring back to Sackville Street, contributing to our continued journey of improvement.



## ZONE CROSS COUNTRY – TUESDAY 6 JUNE 2017 – CHIPPING NORTON LAKE

A reminder for students who are attending the Zone Cross Country your \$8.00 payment and signed permission slips should have been returned to the school office by today. Students are to arrive at school at 8.00am for an 8.15am **sharp** departure. Students are to bring their lunch (*no canteen orders*), drinks, running gear (*school sports uniform*), sun protection and something warm to wear.

Good luck to all competitors.

## LIFE EDUCATION

Healthy Harold will be at Sackville Street on Tuesday 13 June. Thank you to all of the families who paid for this experience.

The timetable is as follows:

Week 8 (from Tuesday 13 June): 5/6L, 4/5K, 3/4B, 5/6D, 1/2D. Parent session Tuesday 2.00-3.00pm

Week 9 (from Monday 19 June): 1/2W, 3/4H, 3/4J, 1/2P, KH, KB, 5/6R, 1/2B, KA, 1/2S

Week 10 (from Monday 26 June): 1/2C, 3/4S, 3/4C, 5/6M, 1H, KL.

There is a parent session from 2:00pm to 3:00pm on Tuesday 13 June 2017. During this session, parents can visit the van (if there are too many, then the session will be divided into two groups). This is YOUR opportunity to see the van, the teacher and the content of the lessons first hand. There is no cost for this open parent session.

Harold has a shop open each lunchtime that he is here. Prices range from 50 cents to \$15.00. The proceeds raised help this community-based program to continue.

Thanks for your support.

Lisa Petersen

## PAYMENT REMINDERS

Many parents are advising they are unaware of events and last date for payments on activities at school. All activities appear in several places such as the school website, Facebook page, electronic noticeboard and in the school newsletter that is available online every fortnight. It is essential that parents and carers make payments by the requested due date to ensure your child does miss out on any activities.

### PSSA Venues

**Students depart school at 12.00pm and return to school at 3.00pm**

Hockey:	Ernie Smith Reserve, Moorebank
Soccer:	Ireland Park
Netball:	Woodward Park
Rugby League:	Woodward Park

### Notes sent home

Stage 2 Research Project

