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Sackville Street Public School

Term 3 Week 5

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7 September 2018

From the Executive Team

Last week we held our 'Buy a Bale' disco to raise money for our farmers who are doing it tough. The generosity of our school community saw a massive total of \$1139.70 raised. Well done to everyone who contributed to such a fun day.

It is great to see so many Keen Kinders at our school on Wednesdays. Our current kindergarten students are mentors to our Keen Kinders as they get to know our school. A big thank you to Miss Daniels and our teachers who spend time getting to know the 2019 students. This special program allows our students to become familiar with our school, the staff and our routines. Many parent friendships also are formed during this time.

Our Stage 2 students had the opportunity to go to the Wollondilly Heritage Centre. Read on for a recount of their fun day of learning written by the students.

Stage 3 Camp has been another great success. Students spent three days in Canberra and the snow. They visited Parliament House, Questacon, the Electoral Commission and a great day at Perisher. I think a few teachers faced quite a number of snowballs. I am sure a few were returned as well.



September 2018

12	Keen	Kind	lers

- 19 Keen Kinders
- 20 Market Day
- 21 1st round Musical tickets
- 21 Backup Gala Day
- 24 2nd round Musical tickets
 26 Multicultural day
- 28 Last day of term

October 2018

15 First day	of term
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- 23 Musical "A Million Dreams"
- 24 Matinee and evening 24 Musical "A Million Dreams"
 - Matinee only

Our Book Week performances were great as well. K-2 was engaged in shadow puppetry. Years 3-6 was enthralled with our visiting author.

The Executive Team

STAGE 2 WOLLINDILLY EXCURSION by Naushin, Tania and Piper of 3/4M

On Thursday the 23rd and 30th August, stage 2 went to the Wollindilly Heritage Centre. As we got onto the bus, we were blowing up with excitement. It took about 45 minutes to reach our destination, and on the way, we were belting nursery rhymes like Baby shark.

When we got there, we sat down on silver chairs to have a little break and snack. As we quickly finished our break, the lovely staff organised us into 6 groups of 10 for rotations.

Our first rotation was mining. We got to hold heavy coal that stained our hands black. We also got to wear mining helmets which were quite heavy! We also got to feel what it's like to be a miner. We even got to go into a tunnel that made our backs and feet ache!

Our second rotation was farming. We got to wash fake eggs and see how they kept them cosy and warm. We also got to experience what it's like to put them in cartons. We also got to see how to sort out apples in different sizes to package them. Then we got to eat slinky apples. We got to choose which one was better, either pink ladies or granny smith.

The third rotation involved making boomerangs. We had a choice of painting a story or a setting using traditional Aboriginal signs. We also used the tradition Aboriginal colours, yellow, red, brown and white.

For our fourth rotations, we went to a cottage that a real family once lived in. The old, rusty bath was tiny! Inside the cottage we got to make butter by hand and it actually worked! We also used old machines to chop beans and crush bread into bread crumbs.

The next rotation was visiting a real school from the past! It only had one classroom which held 30 students from 4 difference stages. We learned that the old school was abandoned after too many complaints. The teacher used to fall asleep at the desk between classes and there were dangerous holes in the floor. We were also shown what it was like to learn from a chalk board. Writing on it made a horrible squeaky sound that would pierce your ears!

Our last rotation was doing the laundry. We learnt how to wash clothes without a washing machine! We scrubbed clothes with soap and a scrubbing board, we dried it with a drying roller which squeezed out most of the water, and we hung them up on a clothes line with dolly pegs. After this, we learned how to use an old iron safely.

After we finished up, ate our delicious lunches and thanked the helpful staff, we went to a nearby park. After playing tons of games and doing many tricks (including teaching Mr Kercheval to cartwheel!) we went on our journey back home.

Thank you to everybody who helped make our excursion so enjoyable.

MARKET DAY THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2018

Our annual Market Day is taking place on Thursday 20 September 2018. As well as giving students an exciting "carnival" to attend the aim of this event is to help raise money for the Year 6 Farewell. Students are encouraged to dress in mufti, including closed in shoes.

Market Day will take place from 12.30 – 2.30pm. It will include food stalls, games and market stalls for your child to visit (haunted house, jumping castle, slushies, popcorn and much more.) As this is a fundraising event all food items and activities will incur a cost ranging between 50c and \$2.

Also as part of Market Day 5/6P will be holding a sausage sizzle. If you would like to order a sausage sandwich please fill in the slip on the note issued (green paper Kindergarten – buff paper Y1-Y6) and **return** to your class teacher with the correct money before Thursday 13 September.

KINDERGARTEN PARENTS & CARERS

While Market Day is a celebration that is put together by the Stage 3 students for the students, we are giving kindergarten parents/carers the opportunity come and see what this event is all about. Parents and carers of <u>kindergarten students</u> are invited to come along and enjoy the festivities alongside your child. If you are unable to attend, we recommend you send your child to school with a small amount of money (change not notes) so that they may actively participate in Market Day.

STUDENT OPAL CARD

Only students who are eligible can travel on the school bus service with a **Student Opal Card** that is a free service for travel to school only. To apply for an Opal card and to check your eligibility go to <u>www.transportnsw.info/school-students</u>. If you do not meet the eligibility criteria your child must hold a Child Opal Card that the parent must keep topped up with funds. It is essential for all travel for your child to tap on and off as per the notice from Interline below. Children that do not have an Opal Card maybe refused entry onto the bus.

A message from Interline Bus Services:

One of the more significant changes created by the introduction of the School Opal card is the need for students to tap on and off when they travel to and from school.

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demands for bus services. <u>If students don't</u> tap on and tap off, services maybe cancelled due to the lack of recorded patronage.

With this is mind we ask for your assistance in reminding students that tapping on and off at the beginning and end of each trip is one of the conditions of using a School Opal Card.

Your assistance helps us ensure we are able to provide the appropriate level of service to the students.

EARLY PICKUP OF STUDENTS

A reminder to all parents and carers, if you need to pick your child up early from school you <u>MUST</u> attend the office first to have your child signed out. A slip will be issued that is to be handed to your child's class teacher. No parent or carer should be on the school premises without first attending the office.

SACKVILLE STREET MUSICAL – A "MILLION DREAMS" Tuesday 23rd & Wednesday 24th October 11.30 am matinee Tuesday 23rd October 6.00pm evening

1st round tickets are now on sale for the school musical. Ticket purchase notes have been issued on yellow paper. A maximum of 2 tickets per family can be purchased which can be spread out over any of the above performances. Tickets are \$5.00 each and is non-refundable. Payment to be made by cash or EFTPOS. <u>NO</u> **ONLINE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED**. We ask those families that can make arrangements to attend one of the matiness performances to consider purchasing those tickets. Guests with wheelchairs or physical disabilities requiring special seating arrangements should indicate this on the ticket purchase note. Toddlers and pre-schoolers maybe seated on someone's lap at no cost. Prams or strollers are not permitted inside the hall. **Performers do not require a tickets**.

On Monday 24th September the **2nd round** tickets will be available for purchase. Tickets will only be issued if seats are available. Please check on the school Facebook on this day to check on availability.

STAGE 3 CAMP-CANBERRA

Ninety-one Stage 3 students and five (weary!) teachers from our school have just returned from an enjoyable and educational tour of the national capital and Snowy Mountains region. Students participated in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage, democracy and snow play!

We are very pleased to report that our students received high praise for their behaviour from several officials during the trip and that everyone had a fantastic time.

Thank you to our dedicated staff for leaving their families and regular lives to ensure that Sackville Street Public School students are able to enjoy experiences that will last a life time.

