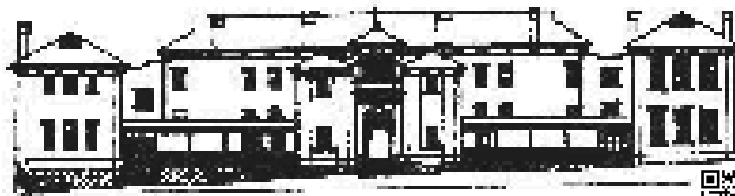


Week 10  
Term 4

Wednesday  
10 December  
2014



## Summer Hill e-News



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### Ukes and Recorders Spread Christmas Cheer



Last Thursday, members of the Advanced Ukulele and Advanced Recorder performed for residents of Cardinal Freeman Village. Year 5 students, Lena Eom and Beau Pineda, came along as guest performers on violin and piano. We played a repertoire of Christmas favourites and were a big hit with the audience, who sang along and even helped out on percussion. Students then went around and handed out Christmas cake, which was enthusiastically received.

Our audience was effusive with praise and were very thankful for the visit.

A big thank you to Helen De Wolfe for her exceptional multi-tasking skills, transporting equipment, performing on ukulele and taking photographs. Thank you Jane Pinkerton for assisting in walking the students and performing on ukulele. A big thank you to Sophie L (3WW) and her mother Katrina for bringing along Christmas cake to share.

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

#### **Parent Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea (Thursday 11 December at 10.45am)**

We are very grateful for the assistance that has been provided by parents in the classrooms, through our Scripture and Ethics Program, Music Program, Chess Program, P&C parent committees, Class Parents, second hand uniform shop, school banking, fundraising activities etc. Our school would not function as well as it does without these wonderful people who give of their time and energy each year. Please join us for our special Parent Volunteer "Thank You" morning tea.

#### **Year 6 Graduation Ceremony (Tuesday December 16)**

This begins at 1.20pm and will last till approximately 2.30pm. Students are to wear full school uniform (no Year 6 t-shirts) Children are permitted to go home with their parents directly after the ceremony concludes. to get ready for the evening dinner dance.

#### **Year 6 Dinner-Dance (Tuesday December 16)**

Children are to be at the venue (Canada Bay Club) at 6pm. Parents are to drop their children in the foyer of the club where SHPS teachers will be supervising. Parents are most welcome to return at 8.45pm for the final dances. Dress is smart casual in keeping with the nature of an event for 11 and 12 year olds. This event concludes at 9.00pm and we would appreciate all children being picked up promptly from the function room at this time. As the venue is a licensed club, children are not permitted by law to be there past the time of the function. Again, no child will be permitted to leave the venue without an adult. I look forward to this very special end of year event.

#### **Playground update**

Work on our back grassed playground will begin next week and continue over the school holidays with the projected completion date being Week 1 2015. Fencing will be placed around the playground early next week and adjustments will be made to accommodate recess and lunch play areas for the students.

### Coming Events

#### December 2014

- Wed 10 - Yr 6 Show Matinee 1.20-3pm
- Wed 10 - Yr 6 Show Evening 5.30-7.00pm
- Thu 11 - Church Service 9.30am
- Thu 11 - 'Thank You' Morning tea 10.45am
- Fri 12 - Presentation Day 11.05am-12.40pm
- Mon 15 - Yr 6 @ Boing Central Trampoline Centre 9.15am-3.00pm
- Tue 16 - Yr 6 Graduation 1.20-3.00pm
- Tue 16 - Yr 6 Dinner Dance 6-9pm
- Wed 17 - Yr 3&4 @ Movies & Picnic
- Wed 17 - Yr 5 & 6 @ Bowling 9.30am-2.30pm

#### January 2015

#### **Wed 28 - First Day Term 1 (Year 1 to 6 students)**

- Wed 28 & Thu 29 - Band & Orch Auditions in Music Room
- Fri 30 - Yr 1-6 Assembly in Hall 11.05am
- Fri 30 - Yr 4-6 PSSA Summer Trials 1.20-3.00pm

**TERM 1 2015 STARTS WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY FOR YR 1 TO 6 STUDENTS. KINDY STUDENTS START WEDNESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2015 AND WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THEIR START TIME BY LETTER.**

## Reports to Parents

Reports will go home via students on Friday 12 December. Please notify the school if your child will not be present on this date, or will not be returning to our school in 2015.

## National Chess Tournament



On the 5th of December, the SHPS Girls chess team (Eva G, Melissa S, Amanda L, Shuyi Y and Anica S) travelled to Adelaide to play in the Australian School Teams Championships on the sixth. It was held at Prince Alfred College, a large college with excellent facilities. We were all very excited.

On the first round against Turner school from the ACT, we lost to them 1.5-2.5, with Shuyi winning the only game and Eva drawing a long and close match on Board 1. We drew 2 all against Mount View Primary School from Victoria in Round 2. In the last round of the day, we lost to Magill Primary School 1.5-2.5, the eventual winners of the tournament.

After practice, we returned the following day with more confidence and refreshed minds. We were defeated by Somerville House from Queensland 1-3, the team which came second. Summer Hill finished off the tournament with a 3-1 win against

Wilderness from SA. Overall, we came 5th with a score of 9/20. Eva did especially well individually with equal 3rd out of 24 players, achieving 4/5.

One thing we lacked was experience. Everyone at this tournament was very strong; and to win, we needed to practise more. Everyone learned and gained valuable experience from this prestigious tournament.

By Eva G Chess Captain

Karen Shehata (Principal)



## YUMMY BEARS KIOSK

END OF YEAR MEAL DEAL  
WEDNESDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> December 2014

Orders must be returned to the canteen by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

Hot Dog with Tomato or Bbq Sauce

### + a Snack

Piece of fruit

Or

Ropes



### + a Drink

Water

Or

Juice

**\$5.00**

## MUSIC NEWS

### Advanced and Beginner Ukulele and Recorder Group

There will be no rehearsals next week before school. Thank you to all for your efforts and participation in activities throughout the year. Have a great Christmas and a safe and happy holiday. To all Year 6 students leaving the school, I wish you all the very best for High School and success and happiness in all you pursue. Thank you to the parents that have supported the music program at this school. It is much appreciated .

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year  
Donna Ross

### Wrap up note from the Music Support Committee

It was once again an exciting and successful year for the ensemble program at SHPS in 2014. The Music Support Committee would like to extend its thanks to the conductors, music teachers, administrators, music captains and the school Principal who make the school Band and Orchestra program happen. This program includes seven ensembles and 220 children - a remarkable feat for the School. Special thanks go to Cathy Chan for all her wonderful work as Principal Conductor and Janet Sutherland who worked tirelessly throughout the year co-ordinating the program. The Committee itself met once a month to discuss programming and co-ordination for events and supported over 15 school musical events throughout the year. Karen Taylor provided excellent support to the committee as Secretary and Gina Newling , Claire Goodfellow and Eugenia Munro as ensemble co-ordinators. We farewell a number of parents and their families this year who have supported the committee and the program over many years including Cathy Bernasconi and Lisa Kenneally – we thank them and wish them well in all their future high school endeavours.

See you at a great ensemble event in 2015! Shelagh Doyle

## BUON GIORNO!

Thank you to all of the parents who read the school newsletter on 19-11-14 and responded promptly with their child's re-enrolment details for the 2015 Italian Program. We have been flooded with requests and all three classes are now FULL. If you have not managed to re-enrol your child for these groups, we are very sorry, but at this point the best we can do is offer them a space on the waiting list.

**Cost is \$100 per term. We ask all parents to pay before the end of week 1, term 1 in 2015:**

- BSB: 012 205
- A/C: 5336 58796

Please put your child(ren)'s name in the description

**Classes will be as follows:**

**Tuesday mornings with Maestra Elisa 8:00-9:00 (Starts on Tuesday February 10th)**  
**Kindergarten and New Year 1 students**

**Wednesday Mornings with Maestra Elisa 8:00-9:00 (Starts on Wednesday February 4th)**  
**Year 1 students who have done Kindy Italian with Elisa in 2014, all Year 2 students, and some Year 3 students**

**Wednesday Mornings with Maestra Rosa 8:00-9:00 (Starts on Wednesday February 4th)**  
**Some Year 3 students, All Year 4, 5, and 6 students**

**Classroom locations will be provided at a later date.**

The annual End of Year "Festa di Pizza" will be held on Sunday December 14th at 5pm around the SH fountain near Da Vinci's. All children in the SH Italian program are welcome to attend (bring a family member or two!) and it's **free**.

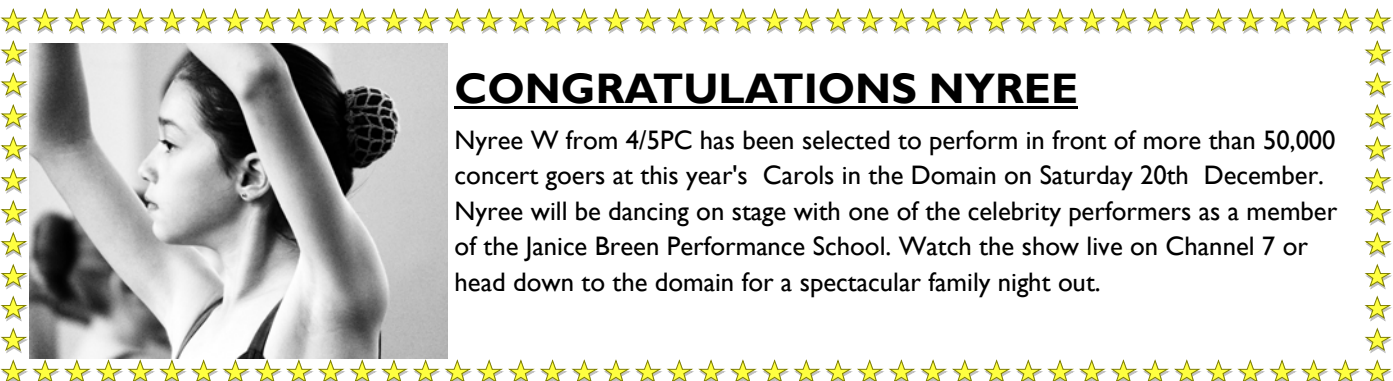
Grazie!  
Susan Terravecchia  
Sandy Roberston  
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Summer Hill Italian Program Coordinators

# FORTHCOMING CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

## **Eve of 16/12 – Eve of 24/12**

Hanukkah is a Jewish holiday also known as the Festival of lights. It commemorates the rebuild and rededication of the second Temple in Jerusalem following its destruction.

The festival is observed over 8 nights by lighting candles in a candelabra called 'Hanukiah' lighting one candle on the first eve then one more on each eve thereafter.



## **CONGRATULATIONS NYREE**

Nyree W from 4/5PC has been selected to perform in front of more than 50,000 concert goers at this year's Carols in the Domain on Saturday 20th December.

Nyree will be dancing on stage with one of the celebrity performers as a member of the Janice Breen Performance School. Watch the show live on Channel 7 or head down to the domain for a spectacular family night out.

## **CYBERSMART SAFETY PRESENTATION AT SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL COMING IN 2015**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

### **Internet safety presentation helps children stay safe online.**

Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the Internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks.

To help your children stay safe online, Summer Hill Public School is hosting a Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation. Designed for parents, teachers and students, this presentation is provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA) as part of a national program of cybersmart initiatives.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- The ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- Potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- Tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersmart trainer and is free of charge.

The Cybersmart Outreach - Internet Safety Awareness presentation will be held on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2015** in the school hall. The session will begin at 5:30pm and conclude at 7pm.

To register your attendance, please fill out the slip below and send back to the school office by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

Regards,  
Katherine Butler  
Assistant Principal Summer Hill PS

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### **CYBERSMART SAFETY PRESENTATION AT SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL**

I/We are looking forward to attending the Cybersmart Presentation on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

Number of parents attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **LIBRARY NEWS**



### **Bok Rocks the Library**

After spending much of their library time this term investigating the Australian megafauna, Year Four students recently enjoyed an entertaining and very informative visit from palaeontologist Bok Khoo. Bok brought along fossils and samples of limestone rock from the Riversleigh fossil fields in northern Australia. There are now more fossils in the library than ever before. Thank you Bok, we look forward to more talks about Australia's pre-history.

### **Many Happy Returns!**

We appreciate the effort that many students and families have made to find and return misplaced library books. Good Luck to all our lovely Year Six students, please drop off any remaining library loans before you leave us.

## **Second-Hand Uniform Shop**

### **Volunteers needed for 2015 & more uniforms**

We need at least two volunteers for Tuesday morning and one for Friday morning, to continue our service to the school community. Only an hour of your time is required each morning to maintain our current service. The more volunteers there are, the better, as you can get away with only working each fortnight. Please contact Annette Boyd, our new Co-ordinator on [darjnet@bigpond.com](mailto:darjnet@bigpond.com) for further details.

My thanks go to Annette Boyd, Peggy Ruffin & Dipika Ghandi for their invaluable time which helped keep the shop open this year.

Don't forget to clear out your closets and donate uniforms to the shop. Items can be left at the Front Office. On a final note, the Second-Hand Uniform Shop has raised **\$ 1,793** this year for the P&C.

### **Thanks and Farewell**

Thanks to all of you who have supported the 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Shop by donating your pre-loved clothes and your patronage. Special thanks to Sarah Davies & Eve Bailey for their support throughout, with their sense of humour & support when things got rough at the coalface on occasion. Thanks to all the parents who kept me entertained on Tuesday mornings.

Thanks to staff, parents and students who supported the Scholastic Book club when I was involved. Thanks to all those who supported the Toy store over the years and still returned to volunteer, despite my attempts to convince you otherwise. Your time is much appreciated. Thanks Clare Goodfellow for taking me under your wing.

Our family is sad to leave behind so many of the wonderful families that we have met over the last eight years at SHPS and we wish you the very best in the future. We hope that you continue to volunteer your valuable time to the school to facilitate a friendly & caring community.

Thanks for the memories.

**Dilum DASSANAYAKE (Parent Volunteer)**

with boundless support from Stephen FLAVEL, Alex, Diyon & Liyara (**The Flavanayake's**)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Canterbury Junior Football Club

*Canterbury Junior FC is a community club run by volunteers.*

**Our club offers:**

Small Sided Games (5 yrs to 12 yrs) - Saturdays for boys & mixed teams to 11yrs

Junior competitions (boys, girls & mixed teams) - Sundays for girls & from 12yrs

All skill levels catered for, no experience necessary

Participation encouraged within a family friendly, social environment.

We are looking for new female players for all age groups



Register online January at My Football Club website: [www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au)

Clubhouse Registration Dates: First Three Sundays February Lees Park Clubhouse, Harmony St, Ashbury

**Contact Details:**

Club Secretary: [clubsecretary@cjfc.asn.au](mailto:clubsecretary@cjfc.asn.au) Club Registrar: Lorraine Cox, m: 0408 883 197 (after 5pm) [registrar@cjfc.asn.au](mailto:registrar@cjfc.asn.au)

For more information see our website: [www.cjfc.asn.au](http://www.cjfc.asn.au)

### FOR RENT

Beautiful, 2 storey, old colonial 2 bedroom home available in Dulwich Hill for rent over the Christmas period.

From December the 21st until January the 4th. \$300wk.

Contact Jenny Ph 0421827228.

**DEADLINE: Please make all submissions for the next issue of the Summer Hill e-News BEFORE TUESDAY 16 December, 12.00PM.**

### SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

#### ABSENTEE NOTE

(To be returned to classroom teacher first day back after absence)



Students Name:.....Class:.....

Date/s of absence/s:.....

Reason for absence:.....

.....

Name of Parent/Carer:.....

Signature of Parent/Carer: .....Date: .....