Summer Hill PS



Fortnightly Newsletter

Week 6 Term 4 2018

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Staffing News - New Principal appointed for 2019

It is with great pleasure I would like to announce that Ms Natalie Armstrong has been appointed permanently to Summer Hill PS commencing in 2019. Ms Armstrong is an experienced and innovative principal and will bring a wealth of knowledge to Summer Hill PS. Ms Armstrong and I will work closely over the next two months to ensure a full handover occurs before the beginning of the school year.

I have enjoyed my time as Acting Principal and am very grateful to have been given the opportunity to lead the school over the last five terms. I look forward to my continued involvement in the strategic leadership of the school returning to my role as Assistant Principal in 2019. Please join me in giving Ms Armstrong a very warm welcome to Summer Hill PS. A welcome letter from the Director of Educational Leadership, Ms Megan Kelly is attached at the end of this newsletter.

Principal Network Awards

On 14 November four members of staff from Summer Hill PS were recognised for their outstanding work during the year at an awards ceremony at St George Girls High School. Carolyn Hajdu-Campbell and Kris Golds were recognised for their excellence in office administration and management. Adam Williams and Rachael Donato have been recognised for their excellence in technology mentorship. Congratulations on receiving such a well-deserved award.









Schools Spectacular

More than 30 students from Summer Hill PS are performing at the Schools Spectacular this week, combining with thousands of talented students from across NSW. The performances are on Friday and Saturday at the Quodos Bank Arena. Tickets are still available and are on sale at Ticketek.

Student Leadership 2019

The student leadership process is still underway, with some student leaders now confirmed for 2019. Congratulations to the following ten students who have been elected (in no particular order) as Ministers for 2019: Angus C, Christian B, Olivia Z, Emma C, Charlotte H, Ben R, Ethan S, Chloe K, Claudia M and Nina C. Congratulations to the following four students who have been elected as Music Captains: Zoe L (choir), Isabella N (Ukulele/Recorder), Amali C (Band/Orchestra) and Lam D (General Music). The rest of the leadership positions will be determined shortly. Congratulations to all students who have put themselves forward for leadership positions in 2019.

Playground Upgrade Phase I complete

The first phase of the playground upgrade is now complete. It is fantastic to see the enjoyment the students are having in this previously unused space. The second phase of the fitness trail is due for completion in April 2019. We value the feedback of parents and community. If you would like to make suggestions on making the playground even better please add your comments using the following link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y7NK3QK.

Rebecca Salter **Acting Principal**



NOVEMBER

Thursday 22

K - 2 Assembly 9.55am

Y3 - Y6 Assembly 2.15pm

Friday 23

Schools Spec preview 10 am - 7.30pm

Summer PSSA

Saturday 24

Matinee 12 pm & Evening 7pm

Monday 26

Mon - Friday Library Monitors, Debating & Chess Captains & ICT team appointed

Tuesday 27 NAPLAN results parent info meeting in Library at 6.15pm

Chamber Orchestra 3pm at

Wednesday 28

Thursday 29

K - 2 Final Merit Assembly

Y3 - Y6 Final Merit Assembly 2.15pm

Friday 30

DECEMBER

Monday 3

Stage 2 Digi - Ed workshop













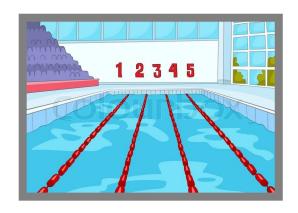
2019 PRIMARY SWIMMING CARNIVAL

THURSDAY

The 2019 Primary Swimming Carnival will be held on **Thursday 31 January** (ie the second day back for students next year).

The carnival will be at Canterbury Aquatic and Leisure Centre for those students who will be in Years 3 to 6 in 2019.

An electronic consent form for the Swimming Carnival will be emailed to parents and carers in Week 7, via EdSmart



VIRTUAL REALITY AT SUMMER HILL PS

CAN YOU HELP?

One afternoon after school in Week 5, Summer Hill teachers had an information session with a parent of a kindergarten student. Pedro, who works for Google, kindly ran the teachers through a session on Virtual Reality using the Google App – Expeditions.

Before this session, the potential for this technology in a classroom had always been incredible, but is now very much a reality. Pedro's presentation showed us a way of setting up a VR environment in a classroom using 2nd hand smart phones.

To help us make the project a reality, we are requesting that if you have a smart phone (that still works and has a reasonable screen) that you are not using anymore, could you please consider donating it so that we can work on utilising VR technology within the school. Donated phones can be handed in at the office.

Thanking you in advance.
Thank you to Pedro for inspiring us!

Regards

Adam Williams



LIBRARY

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

All students who participated in the Premier's Reading Challenge 2018, will receive awards at the Week 7 Infant and Primary assemblies.

Carmel Grimmett

Teacher Librarian





2018 STUDENT WORKS

STAGE 3 SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS

In library this semester Year 6 has been researching and creating sustainable solutions for the school. We were asked to choose a topic that we wanted to research and were put into 17 groups.

One of the groups re-initiated the Waste Free Wednesday idea and played a vital role in making the day happen. They uncovered and re-designed the legendary Golden Lunch Box that was distributed to the winning class for having the most waste-free lunchboxes. Waste Free Wednesday helped start Vegtember in which data from the school was collected to find out who brought the most fruit and vegetables in their lunchboxes.

Another 4 groups decided to research Return and Earn for their projects. They found out that in the Return and Earn program you collect eligible bottles and cans and drop them off at a return point for 10 cents per bottle. Once you've done that you can donate the money to a charity or school or receive a cash voucher or electronic payment. Return and Earn booths will be set up by the Return and Earn Year 6 teams at the SHPS fete.

Another group has been studying native bees. They have been designing some new bee hives for the school and are writing up a report about native bees and it will be hanging next to the hive when it is complete. Three more groups had the creative idea of making a recycled goose sculpture. As another part of their project they researched waste statistics. The sculptures are still being engineered.

Two groups are working on mini gardens. The idea is to sell the produce and make a lesson out of it. They have created some plant-inspired ideas for the fete which also use recycled plastic.

At the SHPS fete this year the sustainability stall will be displaying some of the Year 6 projects and selling some of their ideas. All of this we hope will lead to a sustainable school and a cleaner future.

Erin and Ava

Spotted Pardalotes

Spotted pardalotes are small birds that feed on insects called psyllids or lerps. Lerps are small bugs that feed on sap which can cause tree dieback which means that the tree does not have enough sap so it dies. Spotted pardalotes are important because if they become extinct lots of trees will start to die. Pardalotes naturally nest in tunnels that they dig in banks, creeks or other soils so spotted pardalotes are very important to the environment. They also enjoy nesting in wooden boxes if the right shape and size, which we have done here.



By Sophia G, Sophie M, Ashlee T M

Our platypus sculpture

The rubbish inside our platypus sculpture symbolises the amount of litter that we waste and the fact that some animals now accidentally consume plastics. We wanted to make people stop and think about how what we do affects our environment.

We put a lot of hard work into this and we hope you enjoy it.

By Caleb, Alec & Julian



VISIT SHPS GOING GREEN FOR MORE SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS
BY STAGE 3 STUDENTS

P&C COMMUNICATIONS



P&C NEWS UPDATE

There are still so many people to thank for their efforts at the Spring Fair!



Thank you to:

The stall holders who donated their ingredients Caroline who got our EFTPOS machines back online Matt and Innovative who provided sound equipment free of charge The student who handed in \$40 she found The grandfather who came to play chess all afternoon Jo Haylen who fit us in between wrangling her twins And again, all you volunteers!

Our profit was just over \$43k which is an amazing result. The P&C will be working with the school to make sure the money is spent on equipment, learning, upgrades and items that are a priority. That's what the P&C is for after all: to support the school and the school community.

Thanks to everyone who has contributed this year through volunteering, cake-baking, attending events, coming to meetings, giving feedback, sewing banners, organising the P&C cupboard, BBQing, buying something at an event, sharing expertise and any other way you were a part of the Summer Hill Public School P&C world.

I've said it before, and I'll say it again. The P&C is possible because of volunteers and people who are willing to contribute. Thanks for being excellent.

Danielle Elliott

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - REPEATED

P&C

The 2nd hand uniform shop and the school banking program are looking for new volunteers! It's a great way to help the school and a fun way to meet people.... For more information on volunteering for either of these please contact teresasimone@hotmail.com or phone 0412 301 321



P&C COMMUNICATIONS



P&C NEWS UPDATE

Our sponsors this year were:



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A huge thank you to the local business that donated to the Spring Fair:





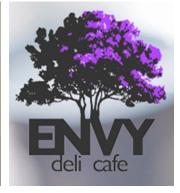






















Australian National Maritime Museum

Toss In The Load



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS TERM4 2018

21, 22, 23 November	Schools Spectacular rehearsal (Yr5 Senior Choir)		
24 November	Schools Spectacular (Yr5 Senior Choir)		
27 November	Chamber Orchestra perform at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre. Soundcheck-2.00pm. Performance-7.00pm		
29 November	K-2 Final Merit Assembly 9.55am: Training Orchestra to perform 3-6 Final Merit Assembly 2.15pm: Training Band to perform		
4 December	Stage Band last rehearsal		
5 December	Symphony Orchestra and Concert Band last rehearsal		
6 December	Yr3-6 PSSA/Sport Assembly 1.30pm: Chamber Orchestra to perform		
7 December	Last rehearsal for Training Band and Training Orchestra		
7 December	K-6 Summer Hill Blue Assembly in the Hall 9.15am: Concert Band to perform		
II December	Karen Kekale Award 9.30am in the infants courtyard: Chamber Orchestra to perform		
I I December	Last (Tuesday) Junior Recorder class		
12 December	Chamber Orchestra last rehearsal		
13 December	Senior Band last rehearsal		
13 December	Last (Thursday) Junior Recorder class		
14 December	Senior Band rehearse in the Hall time TBC Chamber Orchestra rehearse in the Hall time TBC Presentation Day in the Hall 11.05am: Chamber Orchestra & Senior Band to perform		

SUMMER PSSA - REPEATED

TRAINING DAYS

Cricket	Junior	Senior	Monday 3 - 4pm
T-Ball	Junior Girls	Junior Boys	Thursday 3 - 4pm
Soft - Ball	Senior Girls	Senior Boys	Thursday 3 - 4pm

SUMMER PSSA - REPEATED

DRAW

Weekly check the draw on the school website (**School - Programs/Sport**). Please note venue changes can occur at the last minute. If you are unsure about when and where your child's PSSA match is to be held, encourage your child to ask their coach before Friday so that they can pass the details on to you. We thank you for your support,

https://summerhill-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/school-programs/sport.html



UNIFORM SHOP

DATES FOR THE DIARY

The Uniform shop will be open on the following school holiday dates:

Monday 21st January 8.30 -10.30am

Wednesday 23rd January 8.30 -10.30am

Thursday 24th January 8.30 - 10.30am

They will be here back to normal starting:

Tuesday 29th January 8.30-10.00am



CANTEEN - END OF YEAR PIZZA DAY

TUESDAY 18 DECEMBER

End of Year Pizza Day

Tuesday 18th of December
All Orders must be finalised by Friday 14th of December.

If you have any dietary requirements, please discuss with Canteen Staff by Friday
Please not normal Canteen Menu will not be available on this day.



Margherita Cheese Stone Baked Pizza with a Juice Box \$6



BBQ Meat Lovers Stone Baked Pizza with a Juice Box \$6



Ham, Cheese & Pineapple Stone Baked Pizza with a Juice Box \$6

Anthony Catering thanks you all for your support this year.

The normal canteen menu will not be available this day as this is a End Of Year Special Day.

If anyone has any dietary requirements they can speak to our canteen staff to discuss options - only if they have and dietary requirements.

COMMUNITY NOTICES





Wednesday 20 November 2018

Dear parents and carers,

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Ms Natalie Armstrong as the new Principal of Summer Hill Public School. Ms Armstrong was successful in a rigorous merit selection process and will begin her principalship at Summer Hill at the start of the new school year in 2019.

Ms Armstrong has a broad range of educational leadership experiences and has held various leadership roles in the Department of Education including the position of Principal at two schools. Her most recent position is that of Principal at Padstow North Public School. Ms Armstrong is a strong educational leader and will bring extensive knowledge, skills and experiences to her leadership and management of the school.

I'd like to thank Mr Tim Kay, the staff representative on the panel, and Mr Nick Perkins, the parent representative on the panel, for their commitment and professionalism throughout the selection process.

I know you will join with me in welcoming Ms Armstrong to the Summer Hill Public School community as she endeavours to work with you to deliver exceptional educational outcomes for all students.

Kindest regards

Megan Kelly

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Director Educational Leadership Canterbury Principals Network

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COMMUNITY NOTICES





Ashfield Boys High School Primary School Parent Morning Tea and School Tour



We invite parents with sons in Years 3, 4 and 5 to join us for Morning Tea and a tour of the school. This is an opportunity to meet the Principal, students, staff and ask questions. Have a look at a school recognised as a centre of excellence in quality boys' education.

When: Thursday 6th December, 9.30am.

Please note this is an event for parents not students.

Places are stictly limited. To register for a place please contact Grace Tavella on 9798 6620 or grace.tavella@detnsw.edu.au



REFER TO COMMUNITY NOTICES ON THE WEB FOR FURTHER IN-FORMATION.

