PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

At Summer Hill Public School we provide opportunities for meaningful student participation and leadership, including student voice and decision making. Student leadership helps young people find their voice, participate in decision-making, and understand their rights and responsibilities as active citizens. It assists students to have a real impact on their learning and school environment and prepares them to participate meaningfully in their community. At Summer Hill Public School we:

- Value and engage student voice within teaching and learning, school planning, operations and governance
- Involve students in conversations and decisions about what and how they learn and how their learning is assessed
- Develop student participation and leadership skills and nurture character to support their active citizenship
- Provide inclusive student leadership opportunities within the classroom, school and wider community
- Provide opportunities for student participation and leadership that celebrate difference, diversity, and that recognise, respect and respond to identity and cultural background
- Provide opportunities for all students to actively contribute to the school and their community
- Our 2019 student leaders were inducted into their new roles during our Student Leader Induction Assembly on Thursday 14 February. Congratulations to you all, and thank you for taking up these positions in our school

Your child’s safety and wellbeing is important to us. We provide supervision of students from 8:45am until just after pick up time at 3pm each school day. There are no staff available to supervise your child in the playground outside of these times. Unless other arrangements have been made, you are responsible for your child prior to 8.45am when supervision begins, and after 3pm pick up time.

Students travelling safely to and from school is equally important to us. Please remind your child/ren about always following the road rules, crossing the road carefully, wearing protective gear if riding their bike and scooter, and other things they can do to keep safe on the way to and from school, like having a plan if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe. Here’s a useful link, the Department's Top 10 tips for starting primary school: https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/practical-help-for-parents-and-carers/year-by-year/starting-primary-school/ready-for-school-checklist/ten-tips-for-parents#Enforce8

Thank you for taking the time to read about what’s happening at Summer Hill Public School, we are very excited to report what our students have been doing. If you enjoy reading our newsletter and would like to see what’s happening around the school more regularly visit the website at https://summerhill-ps.schools.nsw.gov.au/. For day to day updates and reminders download our Skoolbag App for your phone or tablet device. Go to skoolbag.com.au to download Skoolbag. For further Skoolbag instructions click here.

Natalie Armstrong
Principal
COMMUNICATIONS

LUNAR NEW YEAR
5/6WW & 5SH LUNAR NEW YEAR ASSEMBLY

5/6WW helped us celebrate the Lunar New Year at assembly last week. They presented a play prepared in Drama all about the Year of the Pig. 5SH also learnt the same story and wrote clever poems, which they shared. Congratulations to the combined music ensemble who played Gong Xi for the occasion.

Regards
Renee Anton

GOLDEN GARBAGE BIN PRESENTATION
HOUSE TEAMS FOR HABITAT COMPETITION

Congratulations to LEWIS who were the winning team in last year’s House Teams for Habitat competition. Children receive House Team Tokens for great playground behaviour, waste free lunches, cleaning up and generally showing awareness of sustainability around our school. These good sports will be awarded with some extra play time in the coming weeks.

Regards
Renee Anton
SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL - CLEAN UP DAY 2019
FRIDAY 1 MARCH 8.45AM - 9.15 AM

Students in Years 3 to 6 are encouraged to take action for the environment before school this Friday 1 March.
Come along and join your House Teams 4 Habitat team members to clean up our school grounds.
Be there from 8.45am, wear your own gardening gloves,* and set to work cleaning up your House zone. Look for every tiny bit of litter you can find! The House Captains will be on duty beside the bin in your zone. Take your collection to your House Captains, they will help you sort it and decide if it is recyclable.
You will receive a House Teams 4 Habitat token and earn points for your team!

TEAM - Together Everyone Achieves More.

*There will be some gloves available at your House check point on the day. If you use them, please bundle them into a pair and return them to the tubs at bell time before you go to line up with your class.

The K-2 SHPS School Clean Up will take place in class groups later in the day.

Regards,
House Captains, Minister for Sport and Minister for the Environment

WASTE FREE WEDNESDAY - TERM 1, WEEK 7
WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH

Waste Free Wednesday – Term 1, Week 7!

You can support our school’s environmental initiatives by helping your child pack a Waste Free Lunchbox on Wednesday, 13th March. Packing a waste free lunchbox is one small way that kids can make a big impact on reducing the amount of waste we send to landfills. Waste free lunches are often cheaper and healthier too!

✔ Can you eat it?
✔ Can you refill or reuse it?
✔ Can you compost it?

AVOID:
× Shrink wrap
× Foil wrap
× Plastic bags
× Snack packets

For more great ideas see:  http://www.summerhillp.schols.nsw.edu.au/p-c/waste-freelunchbox

Taking part in Waste Free Wednesday in Week 7 supports Taronga Zoo’s Litter Free Oceans initiative.
Hi everyone!

Last Tuesday we held our AGM and our first P&C meeting of the year. We had a great turnout and we got through some important discussions including our election. Let me introduce you to our P&C Executive Committee for 2019.

- **President:** Danielle Elliott
- **Vice President:** Helen De Wolfe
- **Secretary:** Gail Philpott
- **Treasurer:** Paul Rawlings
- **Executive:** Lachelle Uzcateguigaymon
- **Executive:** Lassity Martin
- **Executive:** Kate Wake
- **Executive:** Pamela Chalmers

**Spring Fair**

At our first P&C meeting last Tuesday night 19 February, we agreed to ask the school community to step up and take on the responsibility of creating, organising and then running the November event, which has, to date, been the Spring Fair. If you have a group of people who would like to take on this project to create an event in the beginning of November we would like to hear from you ASAP. Or if several individuals express an interest, these people could for the Committee! Anyone interested will need to email the P&C by **Friday 15 March** and then come to the P&C meeting on Tuesday 19 March. We will discuss ideas at this meeting. It doesn’t need to be a Spring Fair - come to the meeting with ideas!

**PLEASE NOTE:** We need FIVE people to form the Committee for the November event. If we don’t get FIVE people by 15 March, we won’t hold an event in November. If you would like to discuss your ideas with the P&C Exec prior to the 15 March, please contact summerhillpandc@gmail.com

**Other Roles to Fill**

- **Prize Coordinator / Team** – We need someone to take on this role, or coordinate a team of volunteers to contact businesses in our database and ask donations of goods and services. The team would also work with event organisers to assist with raffles, silent auctions, live auctions etc throughout the year.

- **Parent Night Coordinator / Team** – the annual Trivia & Entertainment night is always a huge success and a great way for our parents to get to know each other. For this event to go ahead we need a Coordinator and a dedicated team to create and run this event. This event is usually held in Term 3.

If you are interested in taking on the Prize Coordinator or the Parent Night Coordinator role please email summerhillpandc@gmail.com

**P&C Committees** are always looking for new members. Contact the following or come along to our next P&C Meeting on Tuesday 19 March to talk to the coordinators.

- **Grounds & Sustainability** – Freya Hartley freya@fushni.com
- **Music** – Sally Hughes sally@quatrix.com.au
- **Gender & Inclusion** – Steve Clarke mail@steve-clarke.net
- **Fundraising & Events** – Helen De Wolfe dewolfies@yahoo.com.au
- **Chess** – Susan Terravecchia susan.terravecchia2@det.nsw.edu.au

**Dates for your diary**

- **22 March** - Ride to School Day - Freya Hartley freya@fushni.com
- **23 March** – Election Day BBQ - Lisa Mitchell lmmitchell@ozemail.com.au
- **29 March** - Earth Hour Disco - Kate Wake wakekate@gmail.com
- **10 May** - Mother's Day Breakfast - Andrew Jones andrew.jones.patents@gmail.com
- **10 August** - Parent Night TBC - Coordinator dependant
- **30 August** - Father's Day Breakfast - Gaye Ryberg gayemnorrhcott@hotmail.com
- **2 Nov** – November Event TBC - Coordinator dependant

Thanks,

Danielle Elliott
COMMUNICATIONS

NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY
FRIDAY MORNING 22 MARCH 2019

Summer Hill’s active travel day is just around the corner on Friday 22 March! Join us and walk, ride your bike or scooter to school. Get active, be safe, have fun, help the earth and win great prizes!

Free helmet safety checks before school at the entrance gates.

Show your helmet at the gate to get a ticket in the draw to win great prizes.

Volunteers needed - can you spare an hour before school to help make this a great event? Sign-up at http://signup.com/go/uuwWNMX to help from 8am to 9:15 am to meet kids at a school gate to help them park their bikes/scooters, check their helmets and hand out raffle tickets. Our student Ministers will be there helping out too.

A few reminders: Don’t forget you need to wear a helmet, ride safely to and from school and not ride in the school grounds. Secure your bike/scooter on the racks or in the class room (if arranged with your teacher).

Did you know? Since 23 July 2018, children under 16 years of age are allowed to ride on a footpath (increased from children under 12 years of age). When riding on a footpath, riders must keep left and give way to pedestrians.

NSW STATE ELECTION
SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND CAKE STORE

It’s as regular as the Olympic Games. And this year is the year. The P&C will be firing up the bbq on Saturday 23 March to make sure that no-one goes hungry waiting in the queue, supported by the cake stall to let you finish off with a little something sweet. And this is where you can help by lending a hand at the bbq or cake stall for whatever time you can spare or let us know if you can provide some baked goods on the day. Kids 8 and up can help out on the cake stall and practice a little maths at the same time. Please go to http://signup.com/go/HDNFigg and sign up for a time that suits or contact Lisa Mitchell at lmmitchell@ozemail.com.au.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
PRIMARY ETHICS

Keep a great program going!

We are in need of teaching volunteers for our Primary Ethics program at Summer Hill Public School. Unfortunately, without more volunteers, we cannot start Year 1 classes, and will need to temporarily close classes in year 5 and 6. Until now, we’ve been one of the largest ethics programs in NSW, and our goal is to ensure it is available to every student who wants to do it. However, the massive demand from our community currently relies on just five committed volunteers, and we need more - urgently. Volunteering to teach Primary Ethics is a fantastic way to help our amazing students develop the critical thinking and reasoning skills they will need to navigate the world around them. It’s also a lovely way to participate in your child or grandchild’s school life in a way that’s easy to juggle with everything else.

You do not need to be a teacher or have special qualifications to be an Ethics volunteer. Full training and Department of Education-approved lesson plans are provided by Primary Ethics. You will also be supported by our other experienced volunteers.

Ethics classes run Thursday mornings in half hour time slots between 9.15am and 10.45am, and only need about half an hour of prep time each week. If you are interested, and can commit the hour weekly needed, or know someone such as a grandparent or friend who might be keen to volunteer, register at primaryethics.com.au. There are training workshops run regularly.

If you have any questions, contact Siobhan Brahe on 0411 07 44 81 or siobhan.brahe@gmail.com.
MUSIC CALENDAR
TERM 1

| 5th April | Training Band & Training Orchestra Breakfast, 8-9am in the Hall |

See the rehearsal times and start dates for all ensembles:

- **Training Band**: Friday 8-9am in the Hall
- **Concert Band**: Wednesday 3-4pm in the Hall
- **Senior Band**: Thursday 8-9am in the Hall
- **Stage Band**: Tuesday 3-4pm in the Music Room
- **Training Orchestra**: Friday 8-9am in the Library
- **Symphony Orchestra**: Wednesday 8-9am in the Hall
- **Chamber Orchestra**: Wednesday 8-9am in the Music Room

It is important that we have your correct email as that is how most information is sent. Please let the school know if your email changes.

Information regarding fees for the music program will be sent by Week 6.

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC ROOM
REMINDERS

**Senior Choir and Intermediate Choir**
Will be held on Monday mornings 8.15-9am commencing on Monday 18th February. This year, rehearsals for Senior Choir will be held in the Music Room and Intermediate Choir in 1KB.

**Advanced Recorder**
Will be held on Tuesday mornings 8.15-9am commencing on Tuesday 19th February. Our rehearsals will be in the Music Room. Notes for Advanced Recorder will be given out at our first rehearsal. If you would like your child to be involved, please return the acceptance form to the front office. Any year 3 students who were in Junior Recorder last year are encouraged to join us in 2019.

**Advanced Ukulele**
Will be held on Wednesday mornings, commencing on Wednesday 20th February in Ms Carroll's Room, 3PC.

A reminder there will be no Beginner Ukulele class this term. Students who were in Beginner Ukulele last year are welcome to attend the Wednesday class if they can play the C, G and F chords.

Students/Parents who have expressed an interest in Beginner Ukulele, we will keep your expressions of interest and inform you if and when a class will offered.
New sports uniforms are now available from the uniform shop. They are optional for any of the following sporting events:

- Carnival
- Got Game
- Friday sport

Visit Pickles Schoolwear
picklesschoolwear.com

Please note students involved in PSSA have different uniforms.

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**SUMMER PSSA DRAW**

Check the draw weekly 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 - REPEATED**

**DETAILS**

The school's Uniform Shop is run by Pickles Schoolwear picklesschoolwear.com

Opening times are:
- Tuesday 8:30am - 10:00am
- Friday 2:30 - 3:30pm

**SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP**

Opening times are:
- Tuesday and Friday mornings 8.45am - 9.30am at the P&C store.
OPEN NIGHT HIGH SCHOOLS

Wednesday 27 March
Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design
5.30pm - 7.00pm

Monday 4 March
Burwood Girls High School
7.00pm - 8.00pm

Auditions
Newtown Performing Arts
Register your expression of interest here.
Auditions to be held Monday 24th June - Thursday 5th July 2019 (the last two weeks of Term 2).

Work at the biggest event in NSW
NSW State election
23 March 2019

Get paid to help deliver democracy.
We offer a variety of roles based on your interests and experience.
You must be on the electoral roll to work at the election.
Apply now at elections.nsw.gov.au

Open Night
An information evening for prospective students & parents
Wednesday February 27
5.30pm - 7pm
www.dulwich-h.schools.nsw.gov.au
3Bridges Community Summer Hill Before, After School & Vacation Care programs operate from the Summer Hill school hall located near the Herbert Street entrance.

Children are welcomed to our services and develop friendships, a sense of community and learn through play. Our friendly, experienced Educators and qualified OOSH leaders provide a dynamic range of play-based activities that reflect your child's interests, abilities and culture. Families can trust children are safe and well cared for while they work, study, attend appointments and pursue other activities. We invite families to come and see our programs in operation at the school hall during before, after school and vacation care.

Service hours:
- Before School Care: 7:00am - 9:00am, Monday to Friday
- After School Care: 3:00pm - 6:00pm, Monday to Friday
- Vacation Care: 7:00am to 6:00pm, Monday to Friday during public school holidays.

How to enrol:
Go to [http://www.afterschoolcare.org.au/](http://www.afterschoolcare.org.au/)
1. Select Summer Hill
Complete the Booking Form and email to childcare@3bridges.org.au
Once confirmation of place is received, you will be contacted to enrol. Administrative support available on 1300 327 433, dial 1 for children's services. We encourage families to enrol so your child can be cared for at short notice or in an emergency. Enrolment fees are not charged if the service is not used. Fees, service details and vacation care programs can also be viewed on this website.

Fees:
Eligible families can access Child Care Subsidy to reduce the cost of care.

Our OSHC philosophy:
We, as educators, collaborate with children in our care and the wider community to create vibrant programs and opportunities which empower each child to explore, grow and learn through meaningful life experiences, social connections, play and leisure.

How will your child be cared for?
Our experienced educators ensure your child's wellbeing while supporting them to form friendships, make their ideas a reality or just enjoy being children. Children can choose art and craft, cooking, music, games, reading, sports and free play. A healthy afternoon tea is served daily.

About us:
3Bridges Community is a registered charity and we have been caring for children since 1978. We deliver numerous programs and activities to vulnerable people. The range of services can be seen at [www.3bridges.org.au](http://www.3bridges.org.au). We are very pleased to be part of the Summer Hill Public School community.
COMMUNITY NOTICES
VISIT SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR FURTHER NOTICES

Illegal parking puts children's lives at risk

Council parking officers are patrolling school zones

INNER WEST COUNCIL