



Principal's message

This week is SAS Staff Recognition Week, an opportunity for our school community to thank our support staff for their dedication to public education. This year they've had to be increasingly flexible to adapt to changing scenarios and pandemic restrictions, highlighting the vital role they play in keeping our schools running efficiently every day. Shout-out to Eve, Steve, Patrick, Sarah, Kris, Carolyn, Lorraine, Georgia, Sheila, Frances, Teresa, Con, Christian, Susan, Janne, Kathy, Eva, Tiziana, Luz, Megumi, Luca and Alessio! Thank you SAS staff.

Last week with the help of our student techies and Ms Williams, our student Prime Minister Angus and Deputy Prime Minister Kristy were joined by our student ministers Lillian, Owen, Miranda, Keira, Lila, Zara, Milton and Ivan to host our very first Parliament sitting via zoom. They did an outstanding job informing their peers about 2020 school initiatives.



After a long standing service to public education, which includes over 13 years at Summer Hill Public School, class teacher Mr Jim Adam is retiring. We would like to acknowledge and thank Mr Adam for the dedication and care he has shown to the students at Summer Hill Public School. His kindness toward our students will be remembered. We wish you all the best Mr Adam.

I would like to introduce a new member of our school executive team - Ms Rebecca Rawson. Ms Rawson was the successful applicant following a rigorous merit selection process for the position as Assistant Principal. She will start in her role in January 2021. Ms Rawson is an innovative educator; her experience includes Relieving as Assistant Principal at North Sydney Demonstration School.

Wear it Purple strives to foster supportive, safe, empowering and inclusive environments for rainbow young people. This year, *Wear it Purple Day* is on Friday 28 August and the theme is 'We Are The Change'. We are encouraging our students to wear a splash of purple on Friday to show support for Wear it Purple Day.

Thank you for taking the time to read about what's happening at Summer Hill Public School, we are 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-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>. For day to day updates and reminders download our Skoolbag App for your phone or tablet device. Click [here](#) to go to the school [website](#) for further information to upload to your device.

Natalie Armstrong
Principal

August

Fri 28 Wear it purple day

Mon 31 Legacy week

September

Sun 6 Fathers Day

Fri 11 Walk safely to school day

Tue 15 P&C meeting
7:15pm.
Via Zoom

Fri 25 Last day of Term 3

October

Mon 5 Labour Day public holiday

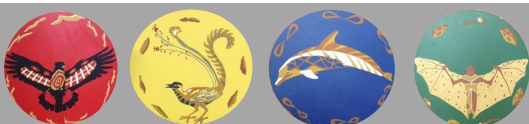
Mon 12 First day of Term 4.
Welcome back students!

Tue 13 Y5 indicate leader role

Mon 19 Book Week:
Curious creatures,
wild minds

Tue 27 P&C meeting
7:15pm.
Via Zoom

[Find more on EVENTS](#)
on the school webpage



Ministers Report

Last week we had our first primary Zoom Parliament session and thanks to the amazing techie team, we were able to get 16 classes online successfully. We are all very proud of what we did and would like to thank the students, parents and teachers for the amazing support and feedback. We are sure we speak on behalf of all the ministers when we say this!

All the ministers were able to present their portfolios, even one zooming in from home! There was also a very heated debate with a surprising victory on the side of sustainability versus comfort with regard to paper towel supplies for students.

- Angus B and Kristy T



Wear it Purple Day Friday 28th August 2020



'Wear it Purple Day' celebrates all the diverse and rainbow families and children who make up our community, and embraces the message that *'All young people have a right to be proud of who they are'*.

Students are invited, if they wish, to wear purple (a lot or a little) to school on **Friday 28 August to celebrate 'Wear it Purple Day'**.

Sadly, we won't be able to hold our Wear it Purple picnic in the park this year, due to Covid-19 health restrictions. But we'd still love you to share your experiences and thoughts about what 'wear it purple' means for you, your child, your family. Please email summerhillpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

Kindy enrolment 2021

We are now taking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from families with a child due to start Kindergarten in 2021. Existing and new families that reside within the catchment can complete an [Expression of Interest form](#) on the school website enrolment page. For additional information about the enrolment policy and Out of Area applications view our enrolment policy on the school website.

Thank you to those parents that have submitted an EOI and completed their enrolment forms.

Activity Statements

Semester 2 Activity Statements have been emailed to parents this week. The email contains an online payment link, alternately payments can be made via the make a payment link on the school website or cash/cheque at the school office.

Thank you to those families that have already paid.

Opportunity class placement test

As a result of the most recent advice from NSW Health, the Opportunity Class Placement Test has been rescheduled to 18 November 2020. Tests will be administered in the students' own schools and high schools won't be used as test centres this year. Only students whose parents have received a confirmation email from the High Performing Students Team are eligible to sit the test on the new date of 18 November. The application portal will not be re-opened for new applications.

The P&C held its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 18th via Zoom. There was a great turn out and thank you to everyone who participated. The virtual meetings are working really well. It's an easy way to join meetings, so we encourage parents and carers to log on and participate – without leaving the comfort of your own home!

SAS Staff Recognition Week -The P&C would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our school administrative and support staff for the critical work they do every day, to keep our school running and our students learning.

Without you our students would not be able to achieve the learning outcomes and goals that have during their primary school education. You are often the first point of contact for parents and you play a vital role in customer service. This year has been a challenging year with COVID-19 and you have endured changes to school procedures due to pandemic restrictions. You have continued to provide excellent support to our students.

Thank you so much

Summer Hill Public School P&C Association

Used uniform shop

Many thanks to those who responded to our request for volunteers to get the 2nd hand uniform shop up and running in a Covid-safe way. Volunteers will meet to discuss ideas for how this can be done. There's always room for more volunteers so please email the P&C to get involved at our new email address: summerhillpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

In the meantime, the Used Uniform Shop remains closed, however, please be advised that the office has access to the stock and will assist you if there is something your child needs. Please email the school summerhill-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and the office staff will assist. There is limited stock and we do not have all sizes so please ask for the size and item you need in your email. After confirmation from the office please send your child to pick it up. There will be no money handling at this stage.

School community charter

Following up on a discussion at the P&C meeting on the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition, the school has provided a link to the [School Community Charter](#) which outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic orders are in and the books will be delivered in the next couple of weeks. Thanks to everybody who ordered books for their support, there was just under \$10,000 worth of orders and the library will have \$2,000 to spend on books for the school!

Upcoming events – volunteers needed

We live in uncertain times, but the P&C is doing its best to continue planning for the future! There are two events being provisionally planned for Term 4, both of which would be run as Covid-safe events, however, any final go-ahead would be subject to health guidance and restrictions closer to the time.

Spooky Disco – Friday, October 30th

Twilight picnic – Saturday, November 14th

If you are interested in volunteering to help organise these events, please email the P&C at summerhillpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

Technology for parents and carers' webinar

Technology for Parents & Carers' webinar was held on 6 August. We received an overwhelming level of interest on this webinar and we valued the opportunity to partner with NSW Department of Education in celebration of Education Week 2020.

Link to webinar recording:

You can now view the recording of this webinar on [P&C Federation's website](#). You are also welcome to view other webinars of interest on the site.

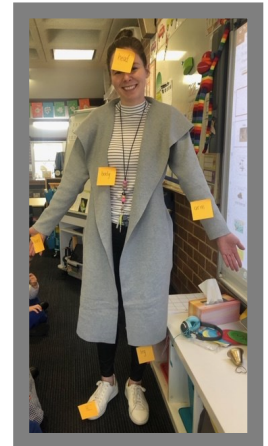
We hope this P&C update has been helpful. Please feel free to contact the executive team by emailing us at summerhillpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au or just say hello at pick up or drop off!

Kindergarten

Kindergarten is learning to label pictures for Information Reports.

All the Kindergarten classes have been learning to write information reports. As part of this unit of work we have been learning to label living things. The Kindergarten students and their teachers have been learning and teaching collaboratively. This means that we gather together to learn and then break into smaller groups to continue our learning tasks.

Early Stage One Team



Stage 1

Stage 1 celebrated Science Week by conducting a **Magic Milk Science Experiment**.

Supplies Needed

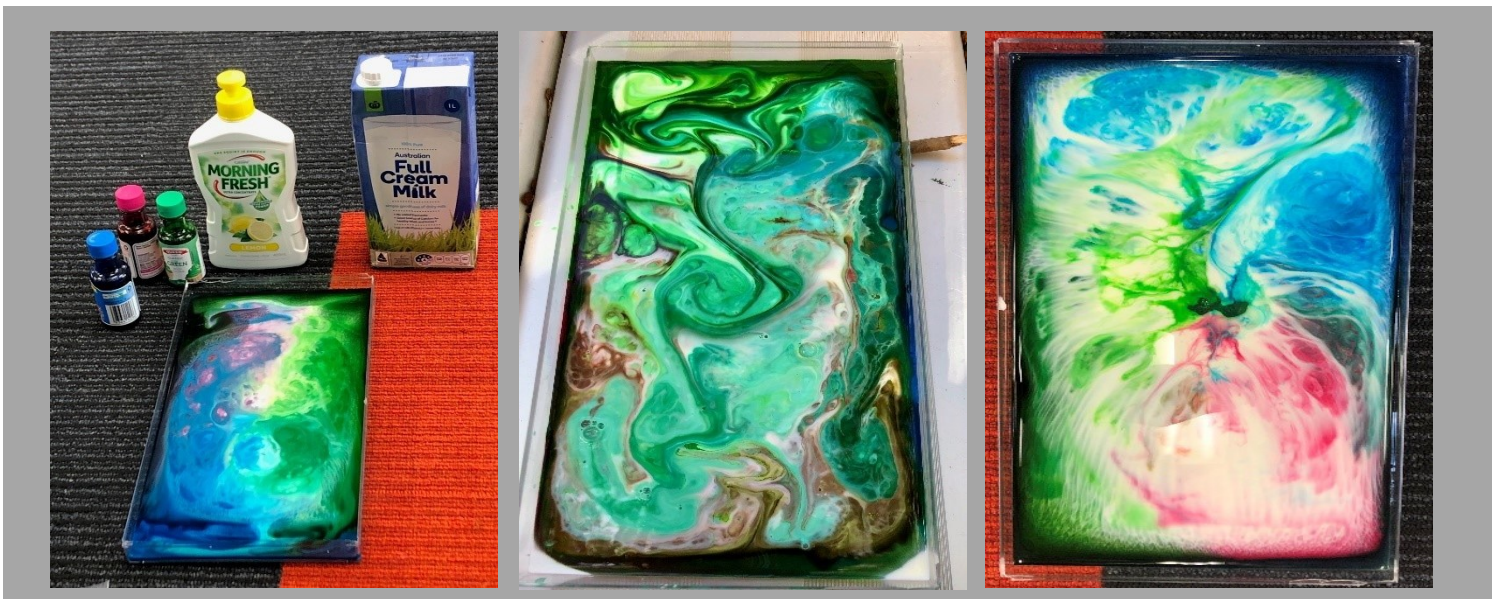
Milk (must be full cream), food colouring – at least three colours, dishwashing liquid and shallow dish or bowl.

Instructions

Pour some milk into a shallow dish or bowl until the milk covers the bottom. Tip: Be sure to use either Whole or 2% Milk. Add some drops of food colouring on the milk. Add a drop of dishwashing liquid into the centre of the milk. Watch in amazement as the colours dance across the surface of the milk.

How it Works

Milk has fat in it and the food colouring floats on top of the fat. The fat is all connected with bonds. Think of it like the little pieces of fat all holding hands with each other. Dishwashing liquids are used on greasy or oily dishes because they break the bonds in fats allowing them to separate. When you add the dishwashing liquid to the milk, the fat separates and moves, making a magical milk art.



Stage 2

Stage 2 have been studying a unit of History called Community and Remembrance. Here are some students sharing their experiences:

"We drew the original Summer Hill PS building and then we went to look at some old Summer Hill buildings." Ailun

"Drawing the school was fun Ms Grove taught us how to draw bricks properly." Jessica.

"It was really fascinating to see how old some of the buildings in Summer Hill are" Caiyi

"I liked seeing old buildings because they were very interesting" Ajay

"We saw that the boys and girls had separate entries to their classrooms" Joy

"The entry gate to our school has changed. It was right in front of 4SR" Hana

"It was cool to see that some of the buildings are still the same" Thomas.



Stage 3

Debating

On the 12th of August Week 4 Term 3, the Summer Hill Public School Debating teams had their first debate against the Dulwich Hill Public School teams, the Dully Lamas and the Dully Malas.

We were very nervous and excited, but in the end both teams did well and tried our hardest. All our hard work and preparation paid off and both teams were victorious!

The Summer Hill Public Scorchers were given the topic: That Years 5 & 6 students should vote to decide which books and films they study and were affirmative.

We collaborated well and used all the vocabulary we could remember. We were nervous but reassured each other that we would do this well. Our ideas were clear and we formed our arguments quickly. The debate began and we argued firmly and rebutted confidently as did Dulwich Hill. Our ideas were well developed and organised. It was a great experience and we learned a lot from arguing with an unknown opponent and a different adjudicator.

The Summer Hill Public Strikers were given the topic: That primary school teachers should set a research project as homework over every school holiday. The coin was tossed and Summer Hill was given the affirmative side.

We were excited and had many great ideas flowing through our heads. Everyone was very helpful and supportive of each other as we shared and created our ideas. Just some of the ideas that we came up with was how it would teach students about new things, it would refresh your memory from what you had learned the term before and how it would teach you more about how to be independent. Once the hour was up the nerves began to kick in, but once we started and got into the swing of things we were fine. We presented very strong and convincing arguments, as did Dulwich Hill. All in all it was great and immensely fun to participate in it. We found it was great to debate against another team we didn't know.

By Miranda L, Scorchers and Isabelle M, Strikers



NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2020

Congratulations to the Summer Hill Public School students who have already completed the Premier's Reading Challenge this year.

Many thanks to the Summer Hill Public School community for your support of the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge and the school library. We appreciate your understanding that the need for ongoing infection control measures require us to continue with the fortnightly system of borrowing: K-2 classes borrow in odd weeks and 3-6 classes borrow in even weeks. Please remember that there are ebooks, Story Box Library and Audible books available for students to borrow through our library and that these can be counted in student PRC records this year.

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2020 officially closes next Friday, 28th August.

You may still have time to complete the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2020. PRC title should be recorded into the student's reading record online, click the image below to find out how:



Rule changes to the NSW PRC make it easier to complete the 2020 challenge during these topsy-turvy times.

Key changes include:

- All students will be able to include 10 choice books on their 2020 Student reading records.
- All students will be able to include books read as part of collaborative reading with teachers or parents/ carers, either in person or online. (This includes ebooks, Story Box Library viewing and Audible audio books available through our school library).
- Students who do not complete the Challenge in 2020 will not be disadvantaged from achieving cumulative PRC awards in the future.

Use the same student username and password as you use to log into school computers to find more detailed information about rule changes visit the [NSW PRC 2020 website](https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/logon.html).

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*Please note that ten titles read aloud to Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two students during library lessons in Term 1 have been added to the students' PRC records online.

Summer Hill Public School's online library

Borrowing ebooks

Click on the school logo below to find out how to access our school library online to borrow ebooks, Story Box Library online and audio books.



Customise ebook display

Use the following link <https://summerhillp.eplatform.co/help/browserreader> or click on the image to find out how to customise fonts, spacing and background colours and other ways our ebook loans display to support students with reading challenges such as dyslexia.



Carmel Grimmatt and Kate Phillips
Summer Hill Public School Library

Drama and literacy

Students in Years 5 and 6 have been studying a unit from the Sydney Theatre Company, *The Greatest Gift*. Mrs Anton and Ms Biffin have been training with Drama NSW to implement even more Literacy into our Drama Lessons and connecting these lessons with units of work on Refugees in the Year 5 and 6 classrooms.



Drama and technology

Students in Years 3 and 4 have been studying Digital Drama this term. We have looked at Genre in film, used iPads for photography and incorporated books from the Children's Book Week Shortlist.



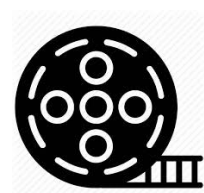
Drama and human emotion



Year 1 and 2 have been listening to the story of the *Tear Thief* by Carol Ann Duffy and came up with some beautiful portraits of human emotion using their voice and body skills.

Film Festival

Stay tuned for more details on the Year 6 Film Festival. We have started planning for film making and are hooked into the Film By Festival with the Department of Education, promoting Visual Literacy and story telling.



Bands and Orchestras

Due to the new restrictions in schools, all band rehearsals (Training, Concert, Senior and Stage) have been cancelled until further notice. We will use the google classrooms set up for each of our bands - the codes for each ensemble have been sent via email.

Orchestra rehearsals (Training, Symphony and Chamber) will continue at the usual times.

One to one lessons with music tutors can also continue.

Notes from the music room

Junior Recorder Group

Video lessons will be emailed each week. In the meantime, keep practising, keep playing and keep listening to music and to your tutors. See you all online or at rehearsals soon!

Advanced Recorder Group

Due to current Covid-19 restrictions placed on us by the Department, there will be **no Advanced Recorder classes** on Tuesday mornings in the music room. I will return to posting activities in the **Recorder Group** google classroom that was set up during remote learning.

Advanced Ukulele

Will be meeting on Tuesday mornings at 8.15 am in the music room while the current restrictions are in place.

Musica Viva

Last Monday was our scheduled Musica Viva performance by *The March of the Fire Ants*. This year, due to Covid-19 restrictions the performance took place online. I would like to thank the staff who supported the music program by screening the webcast in their rooms and successfully navigating the technology. The music was challenging however throughout the term students produced beautiful soundscapes and graphic notations based on poems and word painting. Musica Viva did an amazing job redirecting their program to an online platform during this time.

This term we will be moving on to the Music Count Us In Program

Here is a link to this year's song <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C2C-bGFMX5A>

Donna Ross Music Teacher



Music Count Us In



Congratulations to our resident songwriters Isabell H and Claudia H who submitted a song 'Everybody Sing' in the MCI National Songwriting Competition. They didn't win but their entry was recognized with a congratulatory certificate. I will present them with this certificate at this week's assembly.

A big congratulations to you both and keep writing!!



Crunch and Sip Competition

Aug 31st to Sept 25th (Weeks 7—10)

4 points here!
You can't get better than that!

I'll give you
2 points



Did you know more than 95% of New South Wales school children don't eat enough vegetables?

During Fruit and Veg month, classes will earn points for including fruit and vegetables in their Crunch & Sip snack:

- 2 points for vegetable
- 1 point for fruit
- 1 point for waste free



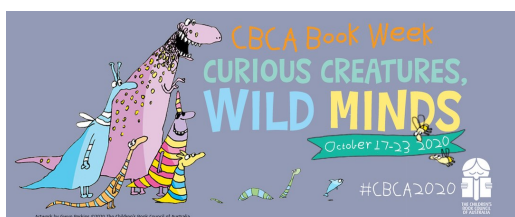
Book Week Competition - Inner West Council

Students are invited to celebrate Book Week 2020 with us and participate in a fun drawing and writing competition. The competition is a great way to connect students to Inner West Council libraries and its services.

The 2020 Book Week theme, *Curious Creatures, Wild Minds* encourages students to be creative and use their imagination to explore this concept further. Last year the standard of writing and ideas in the pictures was outstanding. The council received over 3000 entries and hope that in 2020 they can build on this further and forge stronger connections with schools and students.

There is more information about the competitions here:

<https://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/explore/whats-on/events-in-detail/book-week>



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Summer Hill Vacation Care Program September/October 2020



Monday 28 September 20
In Centre Incurtion Day
All Children
Craft Galore & Mini Olympics

How much craft is too much?

- Sand Art
- Marble Painting
- Puppet Making & Create your own creations
- Mini Olympics Games

Tuesday 29 September 20
In Centre Day
All Children
Giant Games Day
Games but GIANT size!

In Centre Fun:

- Giant Ker Plunk
- Giant Snakes & Ladders
- Giant Pick Up Sticks
- Giant Twister
- Giant Card Games
- Giant Connect Four

Wednesday 30 September 20
In-Centre Incurtion Day
All Children
Tie Dye Workshop
Today is all about all colours!

Bring a washed cotton shirt preferably white to dye with your favourite colours

Activities Included:

- Mandala Rock Painting
- Magic Milk Experiment
- Shaving Cream Marbling
- Oz Tag Games & Outdoor games

Thursday 1 October 20
In Centre Day
All Children
Secret Agent Day
Can you create the ultimate crime?

- Fingerprint Cards
- Create your own crime scene and solve each other's.
- Invisible ink writing
- Games from around the world

Friday 2 October 20
In Centre Day
All Children
World Animal Day
Building the celebration of World Animal Day!

Activities include:

- African Sunset Paints
- Animal Masks
- African Photo booth
- Animal Races

Cooking:
Animal Print Cookies

A: 23 St Georges Road, Penshurst NSW 2222 P: 1300 327 434
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Summer Hill Vacation Care Program September/October 2020

Monday 5 October 2020

Public Holiday

Tuesday 6 October 2020
Incentre Day
All Children
Lets' Get Active with Got Games

Today our Educators & children will learn to play healthy & fun outdoor games that promote physical activity! Don't forget to wear your favourite colours!

In the Afternoon

- 3Bridges Healthy Smoothies Cooking Show
- Puppet Making
- Paddle Pop Stick Construction

Wednesday 7 October 2020
In Centre Incurtion Day
All Children
Springtime Fun!

Activities Included:

- Grass Heads
- Hanging Gardens
- Scavenger Hunt
- Outdoor Games

In the Afternoon
Kick back & have time to play those devices of yours!
Please remember no internet access!

Thursday 8 October 2020
In-centre Day
All Children
Bike & Scooter Day

Bring your bikes or scooters and have fun riding around the school with your friends

You MUST have a helmet to ride. Please complete a safety check before bringing your bike or scooter in. Children are not permitted to share bikes/scooters.

- In Centre fun:
- Make traffic signs
- Decorate your bikes or scooter
- Make a license
- Group Games with a Mexican twist!

Friday 9 October 2020
In-Centre Incurtion Day
All Children
Fun Day Friday!
Join us for a sausage sizzle lunch & Carnival day!
Halal and Vegetarian Options!!

In Centre Fun:

- Face Painting
- Balloon Paint Darts
- Guessing Competition
- Nail & Jewellery Parlour
- Party Games!

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scholarship opportunities available to students in NSW public primary and high schools.

NSW Primary Principals Association scholarship - open to NSW primary school students in years 2 - 5

Rural & Remote Indigenous Primary scholarship - open to current Year 1 or 2 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in rural or remote areas.

Una May Smith scholarships - open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years K - 11

Vorsay/NSW Teachers Federation scholarships - open to current Year 1 students

TERM 3

Free Trial Class



After-School Multi-Sports

Wednesdays 3:15pm - 4pm	Enrol Anytime. \$19 per week
Different sport every week	5 -12 years old
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A focus on building strong, trusting relationships



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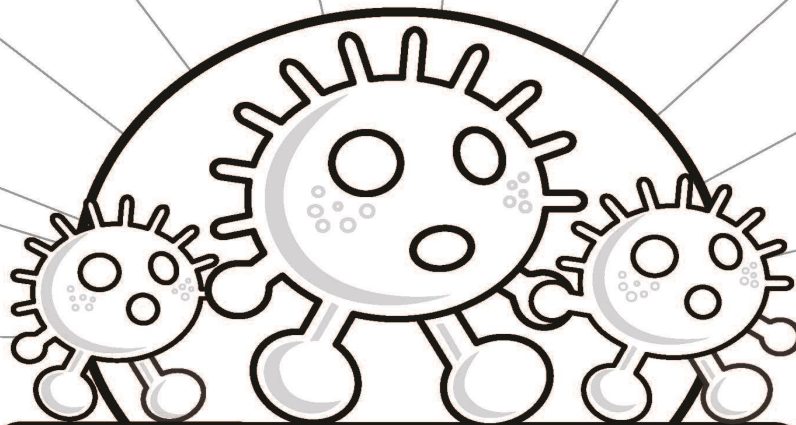
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SMARTER KIDS**



**WALK SAFELY
TO SCHOOL DAY**

FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

**Until they're ten,
children must always hold an
adult's hand when crossing the road**



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