Summer Hill PS Go forward



Newsletter Term 3 Week 2022

Principal's message

Happy Week 10 Term 3 everyone! This week brings another successful term at Summer Hill to an end. Our students have achieved a lot over the past few weeks. I've captured just some of those achievements here. Of course, there is even more included in this bumper edition of our newsletter. Thank you to our teachers and students for their contributions.

Dewey Year 1 won one bronze medal for the Australian team in the World Mathematics Invitational final Competition. He took part in Year 2 level. Well done Dewey. Jonas S and Oliver K participated in community programs at Kids Giving Back during Term 2 and the July school holidays. They are among over 500 young people who produced over 13,500 hot meals, soup, salads, fruit kebabs, breakfast boxes, snack packs, care packs and decorated tote bags, with empathetic, positive messages, distributed to 13 charities. Volunteering in the July school holidays was especially valuable in the twice weekly soup kitchen for those who needed warm food and support. The students were also especially helpful in folding and packing new clothes for over 12,000 vulnerable people. Their kindness was deeply appreciated.

We have more to celebrate across the school, including Summer, Madi and Evonne who attended the NSW Girls Teams Chess Challenge 2022 on 18 August. The team won 3rd place! Kingston L was offered a position in the Featured Boys Hip Hop Ensemble for the 2022 Schools Spectacular. A fantastic achievement! Recently, Georgia Year 6 attended the launch of the Art's Unit Operation Art exhibition at Sydney Olympic Park Armory Gallery. Georgia's artwork is on display at the exhibition. Fantastic! Ross Year 5 received a Commended Award and Akshi Year 5 received a Highly Commended Award as part of the 2022 Minister's Awards for Excellence in Student Achievement – Community Languages Schools. Both remarkable achievements. Finally, we are all wishing Enzo Year 5 good luck as he will be competing in the Public Speaking final at Campsie Public School on Wednesday 19th October.







During PSA Schools Recognition Week held 5 September to 9 September we celebrated our General Assistant - Steve, administrative staff working in the office – Carolyn, Teresa, Kathy, Sarah, Eve, Georgia, and Nis, along with staff working in the classroom – Alessio, Greg, Lorraine, Sheila, Frances, Tiz, and Beth. This years' theme is Essential to Schools, Essential to the Community. These staff are at the heart of our community, connecting with and supporting all. Thank you.

For those parents and carers who have a student starting Kindergarten in 2023 or those of you who know someone in this position, this is a gentle reminder that we are taking enrolments now. If you would like information about our school's enrolment process or how you can schedule a tour please contact Eve in the office.

Finally, we are looking forward to a productive fun filled Term 4 – events and activities include Kindergarten Orientation, a Spooky disco, Year 6 end of year 'everything', and Presentation Day.

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-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



September

Fri Last day of

October

Mon First day of 10 Term 4

Years 3-5 checkin assessments begin

Tue 5 Octopus visit
11 Fort St HS

Fri Year 6 dance 14 program begins

Summer PSSA sport

Mon Y4 day camp at 17 Narrabeen

Festival of choral music at Sydney Opera House

Tue Year 5 consider 18 leadership roles for 2023

Fri Light it red for 21 dyslexia - mufti

Summer PSSA sport

Tue 5 Octopus visit

Fri Grandparents

8 assembly

Find more on EVENTS on the school webpage

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Check In Assessment

Students in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 will participate in the Check In Assessment this semester at Summer Hill Public School.

The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning.

Year 6: reading, writing and numeracy [Term 3: commenced, as per SkoolBag message - (Week 8 - Week 10)]

Year 5: reading and numeracy [Term 4: Week 1 - Week 4]

Year 4: reading and numeracy [Term 4: Week 1 - Week 4]

Year 3: reading and numeracy [Term 4: Week 1 - Week 4]

Please organise your child with a **pair of headphones or earbuds** ready for the check-in assessment. The headphones/ear buds will stay at school for the duration of the assessment period (as above).

The headphones/earbuds will enable students to hear audio during the assessment. The type of computer connection needed is a jack or USB.

Students with disability may receive the same level of support during the assessment that they would normally receive in the classroom.

Kind regards Sarah Weston Assistant Principal

School Anti Racism Contact Officers (ARCOs)

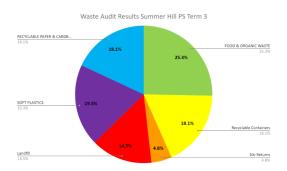
With Mrs Loukis on leave, Ms Ho and Ms Biffin have recently completed their training to fill the role of ARCO (Anti Racism Contact Officer) together. The role of ARCO exists to support the principal in ensuring culturally inclusive, cohesive, safe and engaging learning experiences for all our students. If at any time you find that you have a concern about racism in our school, you are encouraged to come to the school and talk with a member of staff so that your concern can be resolved. The NSW Department of Education has a complaints handling policy to ensure that complaints are handled fairly. In the case of complaints relating to racism in schools, you can contact the school Anti-Racism Contact Officers (ARCO) via email, Alison.ho5@ddet.nsw.edu.au and Jacqueline.biffin@det.nsw.edu.au.



EZEC Waste Reduction Project at Summer Hill

Summer Hill Public School is currently taking part in a special initiative by the Department of Education's Environmental Education Centre called the EZEC Waste Reduction Project. Each fortnight we have been receiving lessons from Ms Kate Dennerley of the EEC and Kate has been working closely with 5 Kelp who are in the process of becoming our school's Waste Reduction Ambassadors.

Part of the education program from the EEC has been looking at Sustainability in our school and our environmental footprint. 5 Kelp have been closely examining all of this and have recently conducted a Waste Audit with some shocking results!









5 Kelp have started the process of brainstorming actions that we can take a as school and will soon put forward some proposed action plans to Miss Armstrong.

Our 5 Kelp Ambassadors together with the EEC will now be looking at putting together an action plan to take us to the next step in our waste reduction - in a long term sustainable way! We will also be using this information to update our progress in the Eco-schools Australia platform as we work towards our Green Flag accreditation.

Celebrations



NAIDOC Week Celebrations 2022

On Wednesday 20 August, we were lucky enough to have Nyumbar Aborignal Educational group come in to start the morning with a Sweeping Ceremony accompanied by the Yidaki and ochre paint up to start the festivities.

Then, 4 Haddock and 1 Longtail Tuna hosted a whole school assembly. They launched Busking for Change for the Indidgenouds Literacy Foundation with a performance to Josh Pyke and Justine Clarkes song Words Make the World Go Round.

Following, each student had a learning session with the Nyumbar Ngahri Dance incursion, learning dance, song and culture. Each student participated in a paint up. The women got dots on their faces to represent the water/ocean. The males got a line across their nose to represent the mountains and Mother earth. Finally, on Thursday afternoon we came together as a whole school community and performed the farewell dance.

Dance is one of many ways that Aboriginal People share stories. The Shared dance we performed is a dance about working together, sustainability, looking after one another. It is important to care for one another and work together for everyone to be happy, healthy and survive.

The Farewell dance is to say thankyou to Mother Earth and to each other after a day of celebration. A time to wish everyone a safe journey home. Dances are done for events such as celebrations, ceremonies and before hunting.

Painting up before dance or corroboree is done for many reasons. It can explain things such as the family relationships, kinship, social position, totems, fauna and tracks of the land.

Nyumbar Aborignal Education

Thomas. S - I loved being painted up in front of my school. It was very special. I also loved walking in the flags. It made me feel proud.

Romany. H - I enjoyed being a part of the assembly and doing the smoking ceremony. I also liked getting the ochre paint up.

Frankie. H - I liked getting the ochre paint up and it was a real honour to the Acknowledgement of Country and to carry in the mascot flags with the Aboriginal names and animals on them.

Ebony Lane Aboriginal Education Coordinator









Congratulations!



Public Speaking

Stage 3 recently held the final for the School Performance South Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition (SPSPSPC). One finalist from each class presented one prepared and one impromptu speech. The eight competitors, Enzo, Manula, Maddie, Kevin, Natalie, Lloyd, Thomas and Christie proved themselves to be excellent public speakers.

Congratulations to Enzo and Christie who were awarded winner and highly commended.

Enzo will compete at the Network final of the SPSPSPC early in Term 4. Good luck, Enzo!

Kristina Kepars

Public Speaking Coordinator



Summer Hill Scorchers debating team

A big congratulations to the Summer Hill Scorchers Debating Team. They completed the third round of the finals for the Premiers Debating Challenge on Monday 19th. The team have competed against various schools around Sydney in these final rounds, including Canterbury South, Oatley and Ashfield Public School.

Monday's debate was an extremely close one, with the adjudicator expressing how well both teams spoke. The Scorchers ended up winning the debate and will continue on into the competition.

Well done to all members of the Summer Hill Scorchers!



Spelling Bee 2022

Earlier this term we held the Spelling Bee finals here at Summer Hill. We were 'wowed' by the skills of all of the finalists. I would like to say congratulations to our top three spellers: Kevin X in 3rd place, Tanya L in second and as our top Summer Hill speller, Aryan C. Well done to all three of you. A huge congratulations to Aryan who went on to compete in the final, making it through to the 6th round before being knocked out. An impressive result.

Report by Amy D, Minister for Communication



Indigenous Literacy Foundation - Busking for Change

We had a wonderful week celebrating Indigenous Literacy Day with our two Busking for Change events! On Monday 5 September we had the pleasure of Josh Pyke and Justine Clarke joining us at school to perform Words Make the World Go Round with the whole school. Our final fundraising effort was over \$6,000, a great effort from our school community! On Wednesday 7 September a small group of lucky draw winners travelled to the Opera House with Miss Armstrong, Ms Biffin and Tiziana to sing the song with the other schools involved in the pilot program, and watch other performances, including Jessica Mauboy! It was a great day and the students that attended were wonderful ambassadors for Summer Hill, Busking for Change, and the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.





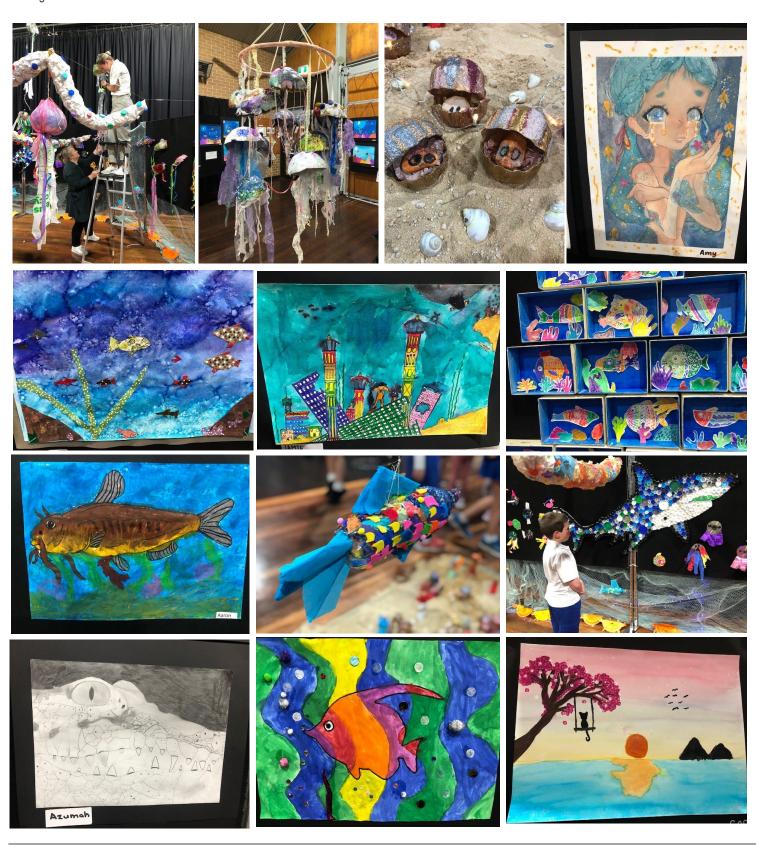


Art Show 2022

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The Art Show was a major success. With the theme of *water*, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 made some amazing artworks! They featured water-colours, ocean scenes, cockles made of juice cup containers, Paper mache jellyfish and much, much more. Congratulations to the students whose art was chosen to be displayed on the school fence. They look fabulous! Well done everyone for being so creative, I'm sure our teachers and families are all very proud. A big thank you to the volunteers and staff for making it all possible.

Georgia H Arts and Culture Minister





Early Stage 1

Kindergarten Taronga Zoo excursion

On Monday this week, our kindergarten students visited Taronga Zoo. For many students it was their first school excursion and a very exciting day. Kindergarten have been writing information reports about animals this term, so the excursion also presented the opportunity to see some of the animals we have been learning so much about.

After arriving at the zoo, we headed to the Australian animals section and saw kangaroos, Tasmanian devils, quokkas, echidnas, wombats and many beautiful native bird species. We ate our lunch overlooking a beautiful view of Sydney Harbour. After lunch, each class made their way back up to the top of the zoo, stopping in to see more animals as we passed. Some of the animals we saw included seals and sea lions, penguins, gorillas, elephants, giraffes and reptiles. The animals were enjoying the beautiful spring sunshine, and many were very active and entertaining to observe.

Kindergarten are to be commended for the respect, responsibility and resilience they displayed throughout the excursion. We would especially like to thank our parent volunteers, who took time away from their own work and life commitments to be with us on the day and help make our zoo trip possible.

Regards Chloe Barber-Hancock























Stage 1

Stage 1 Collaborative Artwork

The Summer Hill Art Show is always a highlight of the school year. It provides students with the opportunity to showcase their artistic abilities and display an artwork that they are proud of. In addition to the individual artworks, Stage 1 created an installation of the Great Barrier Reef using recycled materials. Each class used donated materials to creatively contribute to the collaborative artwork.

- 1 Cockle created cockles using plastic cups from the school canteen, metallic paint and seashells.
- 1 Lobster made red lobsters using egg cartons and coral reefs using a variety of recycled materials.
- 1 Longtail Tuna created a shark out of bottlecaps, coral reefs using a variety of recycled materials and the octopus' head using a washing basket and paper plates.
- 1 Sea Lily made sea lilies using cardboard toilet rolls, jellyfish using plastic bags, squid using the leftover paper and materials from the sea lilies and jellyfish and coral reefs using a variety of recycled materials
- 2 Rainbow Trout created rainbow trout using plastic water bottles and swimmer crabs using paper plates.
- 2 Turtles made fish using CDs and DVDs, paper and stickers.
- 2 Velvet Catfish created hanging catfish using recycled bottles, bubble wrap, paper plates and pipe cleaners.

Each class made a tentacle for the octopus using recycled paper from the previous fortnight of learning.

To promote sustainability, all materials were donated to the Year 1 and Year 2 classes.

Thank you to all the families who contributed to the creation of our Great Barrier Reef.

Regards Stage 1

















Stage 2

Stage 2 students have been learning to sequence events in informative texts. Students have been learning to identify a logical sequence of events and use vocabulary cues and images to accurately summarise and sequence.

Gorillas

Introduction

Gorillas are the largest apes in the world. They are endangered animals because of a loss of habitat, being hunted and diseases. They are found in Central and West Africa. A group of gorillas are called a troop. There are two types of gorillas: the Eastern gorilla and Western gorilla.

Diet

Gorillas are mostly vegetarian or herbivores. They eat roots, shoots, bark, bamboo and wild celery. They also eat plants like leaves. They don't need to drink too much water because they eat a lot of greens.

Habitat

Gorillas live in different places from swamps to bamboo forests and mountains. They can climb trees but prefer to spend most of their time on the ground. Gorillas sleep in nests in the trees.

Lifestyle

Gorillas have a lifespan of 35 years. Babies stay with their mother until 5 months of age. Play time is important for their social development. The young copy mothers and fathers until they are ready to do it alone.

Interesting facts

Did you know that one male gorilla is as strong as six or seven humans? Gorillas have a pot belly not because they are fat, but because they need plenty of room to fill up the bulky food they eat.

By Andra 3 Herring



Gorillas

Classification

Gorillas are found in Central and West Africa. They are warm blooded mammals. They live in groups called troops. Gorillas are the largest living primates. They are endangered animals, due to loss of habitat, being hunted and disease.

Appearance

Gorillas have broad chest, shoulders and large hands. Their face is black and hairless. They are giant apes. The silverback gorillas get white hair on their back. They decide where the group sleeps.

Diet

Gorillas are mostly vegetarian (herbivores). They eat roots, shoots, bark and wild celery. As gorillas eat so many greens they rarely need to drink water. When gorillas stop eating they can be found resting.

Habitat

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Interesting facts

Gorillas and humans share 98.3 percent of their genetic code.

By Winston 3 Herring



Stage 2

Amazing Australia

Did you know that the stars, constellations, even the seasons are upside down and reversed in Australia? Australia can be fun but if you explore the whole entire continent... I mean country, you'll find landforms and native animals that are important to Australia.

Australia is home for deadly, nasty spiders and snakes. There are also useful animals such as; sheep and cows. Sheep are the biggest producers of wool and cows are formed into beef which is the most valuable agriculture export. Marsupial and mammals are also home to Australia such as; koalas, quokkas, kangaroos, dingoes, cockatoos, wombats, wallabies, emus and platypuses. There are also 1000 species of reptiles in Australia as well as other animals that are different types of animals like lizards or frogs. Landforms can also be fascinating such as; deserts (Simpson Desert), rainforests (Daintree Rainforest) and oceans (Great Barrier Reef). Landforms are just as popular as animals are.









"Look at this marvelous, orange rock!" I dropped my mouth in shock. There are a bajillion tourist attractions, which is just a frenzy to me. Tourist attractions include; Uluru, Dubbo, Harbour Bridge, Phillip Island, Alice Springs, Three Sisters, Twelve Apostles, the list could go on for days. It's not just tourist attractions that are fun, meeting new people from different countries can be fun as well. Different people from other countries come to enjoy and make new friends. Our First Nations Aboriginal people had a very fascinating lifestyle, they hunted down kangaroos, fish, seals, wallabies and birds. They also came up with drawings that came with unique symbols, they also made dances, ceremonies, songs and instruments such as; the didgeridoo, the bullroarer and the gum-leaf. In Australia, the population is currently around 25 million people.

Our neighbours are pretty important to us, especially the ones closest to our country such as; Papua New Guinea, New Zealand, Fiji, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, East Timor, New Caladonia, Solomon Islands, Indonesia and Malaysia. Some of our neighbours we either trade with or give some money to help. Mostly the government helps with all the support and trades from other countries. Fiji earns money donations from the Australian government, but recently in the middle of COVID-19 they have been getting COVID-19 vaccination kits and hand sanitizers.









Recently we've also had our economy increasing incredibly fast so that's why Australia can afford better education, bills, food, drinks, businesses, medical facilities, cities and antidotes for COVID-19. Sports have been getting more interesting when you read most of the news that include tennis, soccer, AFL, basketball, footy and golf.

Our ecosystem has been getting more sustainable, a new rule that's implied now, "Using single-plastic is banned on November 1st.". Australia has been attempting to clean up rubbish, recycling and fruit that go in the compost by having Clean Up Australia Day which is a day where people spend most of the day cleaning up peoples littering.

Phillip Island is essential because it's where the penguins go and they go at night time. There's also loads of entertainment, food stores, there's even a wide beach. Phillip Island is 26 km long (16 mi long), 9 km wide (5.6 mi wide), 100km2 (40 sq mi) and 97 km (60 mi).

Like I said earlier, the stars, constellations and seasons are reversed in Australia. Another fact I found was; compare Australia to America per say, the time zones are way different. America is one day earlier than Australia and Australia is one day after America. Australia is the only country surrounded by water and it's also the only country filling its continent except if you count Oceania as well. Many people have said that Australia is the most ethical and diverse continent in the world. There is lots of history when it comes to the state's history, when Sir Arthur Phillip arrived from the First Fleet he decided to name one half of the country, New South Wales, the other half was named New Holland in 1788. Then New Holland changed its name to Western Australia and Van Diemen's Land was developed in 1825. After that, South Australia was developed in 1836. Victoria came along in 1851, also South Australia expanded its territory, Queensland was created and next to Queensland was another part of New South Wales in 1859. Finally, next to Queensland the other part of New South Wales was changed its name into Northern Territory. Australia's nickname is "Land Down Under".

Overall; Australia is fun and perfect for its entertaining activities. Go get your summer stuff and rock at the beach in Australia!

Report By: Irvin - 4P



Stage 3

5 Marlin's Informative Text Project: Magazines

This term, as part of our English program, 5 Marlin has been learning all about informative texts.

The unit began with some guided activities around writing informative texts (particularly news articles) and ended with a creative project!

Sidaarth Thyagarajan has written a few paragraphs about 5 Marlin's learning experience:

"The class of 5 Marlin have been working on informative texts and little did they know what was in store for them. Miss Wright started teaching us about News Articles. We worked on News Articles following a set structure, learning how to master them over time.

Miss Wright enforced our new knowledge by encouraging us to write our own magazine. It included news articles, features, advertisements, sponsors and much much more! 5 Marlin was in love with the idea of making our own magazine. Many of them were themed around bananas."

I am so impressed with the growth and creativity in 5 Marlin in the area of informative texts!

Miss Wright





Stage 3

5 Kelp

Keeping with our art show theme, 'Reflections on Water', 5 Kelp looked back this week on a very busy Term 3. Here are our 'Reflections on Term 3'.

Stage 3 Spelling Bee: Everyone in each class battled it out for the two spots in the final. It was close but, in the end, Aryan (5/6 Seaweed) made it through. Congratulations, Aryan! - Jeremy

Education Week Assembly: Kindy Bass were thrilled to be celebrating their 100 Days of School. It was so fun to do the Education Week assembly together. I enjoyed looking after my Kindy assembly buddy. I felt so responsible! - Jasmina and Archer

Education Week 'Dress as Your Future Self:' Audrey and Jade

Book Week: ...was a blast! Everyone dressed up as their favourite character and had fun. The costumes were so creative. It was great seeing everyone's favourite book come alive. - Enzo

Wear it Purple: We had a dress up day to represent diversity in our community. The whole school wore purple to celebrate different cultures and the LGBTQIA+ community. The message for the day was that everyone is accepted. - Juliet

Busking for Change: The whole school sang with Josh Pyke and the famous Playschool star, Justine Clarke. It was so cool to sing with them to help Aboriginal children learn to read. - Rahul and Arthur

Stage 3 Public speaking: Some love it and for others it's a nightmare. In Stage 3, there are eight people who love it: Enzo, Manula, Maddie, Kevin, Natalie, Thomas, Lloyd and Christie, who had each won their class competition. The finalists all did such a great job, speaking their hearts out with amazing ideas. It was exciting to see Enzo win. He did an excellent speech about climate change. - Natasha, Oliver and Frankie

Pen friends: Our class friend, Ellie, is in Ireland this term. We've been writing to her, asking lots of questions. Ellie's responses have been funny and exciting, telling us about Ireland. We miss Ellie and can't wait to have her back. - Aisha

Science: We've been learning about natural disasters! We dived deep into the ocean to learn how tsunamis are created and how terrific technology can warn and save us from these weird but wonderful walls of water. We went deep underground to learn about vigorous and vengeful volcanoes, how magma boils and erupts at the top. - Jamie

Sport: We had our athletics carnival, then zone, and recently had regionals. About 5 people made it to regionals. It's very hard to get through but Seb and Taj did it! Seb came first and broke the record in the 1500m! Taj made the 800m and came first! Well done and good luck at the state finals! Summer PSSA has started. Good luck to the T-ball, softball and cricket teams. – Maya

Eco Schools Ambassadors: We did a waste audit to find out what goes into our school bins. Some of it was really disgusting! Looking at the data, we found that only about 85% should be in landfill bins! We're now planning how we can organise new bins to reduce our school waste. - Juliet and Digory

Art show: Preparing art for the show was really fun. The class decided on their favourite artwork with a vote. So many great ones to choose from! - Audrey, Rose, Jemma

The end of an eventful and jampacked term is nearing. Sadly, this month, our beloved Queen died. Everybody in England gathered around to commemorate the sad loss. Her good deeds will never be forgotten by the entire world. She is gone, but not forgotten. May she rest in peace. - Jamie and Atticus









Stage 3

On Tuesday the 13th of September 2022, 5 influential individuals visited Summer Hill Public School, each of them a parent or carer of a student in the school. They gave us their story, not just the happy side of it, leading up to where they are now. A common theme in all of their inspiring speeches was failure (or 'falling short', as Josh Pyke described it) and how they overcame it and persevered through to the success that they have now. We are grateful for this opportunity to reflect on our paths before moving off to high school. Below is a short summary of each of the wonderful speakers who inspired us on this day.

One of these special guests was Josh Pyke, a familiar face for our school. Josh is a musician and author and an ambassador for the ILF (Indigenous Literacy Foundation), an organisation that Summer Hill Public School students have recently raised money for. Josh Pyke's 7 studio albums have all made it into the Australian Record Industry Association (Top 10) and he has received 4 ARIA Awards and 10 ARIA nominations. Josh has performed in many venues, from pubs and clubs to festivals worldwide.

Another notable individual and part of our school community is Clair Shah who is passionate about how technology has/can change the world. She is the Product Operations Lead, Google in which she taught students and teachers about how it was like to work in the Google industry, and the failures that she had to push through to be successful. Product Operations Managers are in charge of making sure that our goods are ready for manufacture with a consistent look in terms of both content and print quality.

Adam Mada also came to the school, talking to us about the life that led up to the incredible magic career that he has now. He has been creating and performing illusions and magic tricks for over 20 years, having been the Magic and Illusions coach for Harry Potter and The Cursed Child (Parts 1 and 2) Australia and the head of magic and illusions for N.I.D.A (Australian National Institute of Dramatic Art). He has performed both live and digitally worldwide, in many different settings, and continues to advance in his job despite past failures or tough times.

Professor Sujatha Fernandes, a figure in our school community, also attended the year six leadership talks. She advocates for human rights. Professor Sujatha Fernandes was born in an unprivileged country, and her parents were migrants from India, she being the first in her family to attend university. She is the author of five books based on human rights research she has conducted in many countries. Her life motto for students is to 'read, read and read,' expanding your knowledge of your surroundings.

James Taylor is the managing director of SBS, and overall he has had 20 years of experience across media/telecommunications districts. SBS is a media organisation that makes TV shows, radio programs and many other types of digital content, as well as reaching 12 million Australians per month - 46.71% of the Australian Population - and many more overseas.

Thank you to the organising parent, Sarah Tran, and teacher Sarah Weston - Assistant Principal of Stage 3 - who facilitated the event, allowing us students to learn about failure and how we can build from it. It was an event that taught us about how failing in life helps to build resilience. The event ended with a question and answer session in which students raised their hands to ask any questions to the influential individuals about how their life started in year six and led them up to where they are now.

Evie C and Christie S - 6 Wakame



Library



Principal for a Day / Librarian for a Day

On Saturday 27th August our P&C hosted a trivia event to raise funds for our school. It was a successful night. Some of the items auctioned included the opportunity to act as our school's Principal for a day and Librarians for a day. Congratulations Toby S from 4 Wrasse who was our student principal on Thursday the 8th of September. Well done also Bridget and Imogen V from 4 Haddock and 2 Velvet Catfish who on Monday 19th of September shared the job of Librarian for a day. It was a great experience for teachers and students.

Imogen Year 2 'Being a Librarian for the day was fun because I got to scan books and work in the office'. Bridget Year 4 'Being Librarian for the day was really fun. I got to scan all the books and I got to choose books to purchase for our library.'

Toby Year 4 'I was very nervous in the morning but as the day went on, I started to feel much better. I had to visit four classrooms and hand out a few merits. I was the Governor General at our school parliament. I handed out lots of stickers to kindy, Year 1 and Year 2. My favourite person to hand the work to was Cohen as he was so enthusiastic about everything. I also handed out the artworks to the Stage 1s that won the Art Show, plus Gold Awards during our parliament assembly. I got a free hot chocolate in the morning that I did not get finished because I didn't have time.'







Book Week

On Thursday 25th August, Summer Hill Public School hosted our annual Book Parade. This year's parade was a huge success. The weather was terrific, which allowed us to host the parade outside. Everyone's outfits were creative and 5 Octopus did a fantastic job hosting the assembly.











After the parade, 5 Octopus presented persuasive book reviews about the Shortlisted Picture Books of the Year. Each class had the opportunity to vote for the Summer Hill Students' Choice Award. Congratulations to Aleshi J and Ethem H, who delivered their winning argument.







Below is a review of the day by our special guest Librarian's for a day.

Imogen Year 2 - The book parade was so fun because I got to dress up with my friends and walk around the parade with my buddy class. I liked that everyone could dress up and enjoy the parade.

Bridget Year 4 - At the book parade I enjoyed looking at other people's costumes which made me want to read that book. It was fun seeing all the costumes at the book parade and walking around with my class buddy. I've emailed James Foley to tell him that our school voted for his book, 'Stellarphant' as our Student Choice Award.

Library



Cyber Awareness Month

October is Cyber Safety Awareness Month. It is a good time to reflect on your digital footprint and reinforce strategies that help keep everyone safe online. Throughout the month students will participate in some short Webinars that demonstrate ways to protect our privacy and always stay cyber safe online.

As part of this program there are a number of parent webinars and resources available to reinforce cyber safe strategies. It is an opportunity to learn about the risks online and find out important tips and tricks to help reduce them. Scan the QR code to find out more.

https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/cybermarvel/parents



Music

It's been a busy few weeks for Summer Hill's musicians and choristers! On 30 August, the advanced recorders and chamber orchestra performed in the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Opera House. We had a great day and the students played beautifully! The following week a small group of string and recorder players performed a piece from their festival repertoire at the 3 Bridges Community Centre opening. The students came together for this event at very short notice and once again gave an impressive performance! On Monday 12 September the senior choir travelled to the Salvation Army Congress Hall in the city to rehearse for the Festival of Choral Music, which they will be performing in on 17 October. Finally, many of Summer Hill's ensembles performed at the opening of the art show on Friday afternoon. Well done musicians!

Ms Ross and Ms Biffin

Notes From the Music Room

As we come to the end of another term, I would like to reflect on some magical musical moments.

The Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House went ahead for the first time since 2019. The Advanced Recorders and Strings performed at the Banksia concert performing along with 700 recorder and 200 string players. The concert showcased the musical talents of public school primary and secondary students. Thank you to the students who worked hard learning the repertoire by heart and who performed so beautifully. Your enthusiasm throughout the day was a joy. Thank you also to the parents who helped transfer instruments on the day and for all the parents who attended the concert and enabled our students to be a part of this wonderful festival.

Advanced Recorder is looking for new members as we begin learning the repertoire for the festival next year. If any students from Years 3-6 would like to join this group in Term 4, come along to the music room on Tuesday mornings at 8.15 am beginning in Week 1.



Busking For Change

In Term 3, our school participated in a pilot project for Busking For Change. Busking for Change is a fundraising activity developed by Indigenous Literacy Foundation Ambassador, and parent at Summer Hill, Josh Pyke. As a school community we were able to raise \$6002, which was an outstanding effort. During the term students learned to sing and play Words Make the World Go Around which culminated in a whole school performance on Monday the 5th of September along with Justine Clarke and Josh Pyke. It was a very exciting afternoon.

To toot our trumpet, not only did we raise the highest funds we were also the only school where students performed the music on the day. So big congratulations to all the students and parents who helped make this such a successful event.



Wishing everyone a wonderful break and see you in Term 4!

Donna Ross



From the President of the P&C

Yet another term draws to a close. In this last week of school, we reflect on the term just gone, we are proud of the achievements of the P&C. We were successful in hosting a parents Trivia night – a special thank you to Adam and Josh for hosting a great event on short notice and the whole trivia events committee. The Father's and Special People Breakfast – thanks to all the parent volunteers and the Art Show event – thanks to Karen and her crew of volunteers with P&C putting on a free sausage sizzle as a thank you to the community – great idea Kate and thanks again.

In other matters with the assistance of the principal the school has narrowed down quotes for the upgrade of the big playground at the end of the turf/ long jump space and the plans are looking great. Thank you Natale. This was shared with the P&C members for review and feedback. This is an exciting development as you may all be aware this is one of our three P&C goals (P&C Goals: upgrade the equipment in the main playground, create a mindfulness space behind the hall and replace the seating in the kindy area) When we are not out and about volunteering and hosting events the P&C are busy seeking and applying for any available public/community grant opportunities, if the community members become aware of any such grant opportunities, please do let the P&C know.

For the last term of the year, we have an exciting line-up of events keep an eye out for more information on these. We also need volunteers (lots and lots of volunteers) Prior to future events the P&C puts out a signup link please do keep an eye and sign up at the first opportunity. It is one of the best ways to meet other parents at the school and be an active part of this wonderful community.

The next SHPS P&C meeting is on the 18th of October from 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm. Further details will be shared closer to the date through usual channels. Until then wish you all safe school holidays from all of us at the P&C. We will see you all back in Term 4.

Check out the P&C website www.summerhillpandc.org for further updates and, to get involved with the P&C read about the various P&C sub committees on the website or if you have an idea and want to start your own let us know too. You can become a paid member of the P&C with a minimum contribution of \$2 – click on the link here to join: https://www.summerhillpandc.org/product/p-c-membership/1

For all other matters feel free to get in touch with the P&C via email summerhillpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

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Events update

We have had a very busy time in events lately. So lovely to have the school community together and lots of events we haven't been able to have for a while. Thanks to everyone for volunteering, we can't do it without you!

We have two more events coming up this year - the Spooky Disco and the Twilight Picnic. Please come along!

Trivia Night – thank you!

Thank you so much to everyone who came along to the Trivia Night and made it such an awesome night. Huge thanks to the very talented hosts who stepped in at the last-minute Josh Pyke and Adam Mada.

Thanks so much to the amazing organising committee – Janita Lish, Kirsti Wright, Wendy Chin and Nicola McLintock. So much work goes into these nights and the details were brilliant – we noticed the details team! For some of the organising committee it is their last year at Summer Hill Public School – so thank you for all the brilliant trivia nights you have organised over the years, we have had a lot of fun and you will leave massive shoes to fill!

Thanks also to the fundraising team (Shanon, Gail and Kate) for sending hundreds of emails and organising all the auction prizes. We especially loved seeing the kids enjoy being Principal for a Day and Librarians for the Day.

All in all, it was a very successful event and we raised about \$24,000 towards our fundraising goals this year!















Fathers and Special People Breakfast – thank you!

Thanks for coming out to support our Fathers and Special People Breakfast. Such a lovely morning watching the bands play! Big thanks to everyone who volunteered. We raised around \$3,000 towards our fundraising goals. Once again there was a new team running the event – thanks to Rosie, Ruby, Annie, Kel and Liz – you nailed it, awesome job and we will see you next year!

The fundraising committee would like to thank the following companies who provided the prizes – Taronga Zoo, One Penny Red, Summer Hill Hotel, Sydney Indoor Climbing, Two Fat Butchers and Good Games.





Art Show 2022 - thank you!

Big thanks to the new organisers Karen Bahn and Renata Pari-Lewis and all the volunteers who helped set up and helped for the opening afternoon. So many of us haven't seen the Art Show before and what a lovely event it was. We have some very talented artists at the school! Thanks also to the teachers for all the work they did with the students in the classrooms to prepare for the exhibition.

The free sausage sizzle was a big hit, apologies to everyone who missed out - the sausages disappeared very quickly!





Volunteering

We are looking for people to join the Twilight Picnic organising committee – please get in touch if you'd like to help.

Just a reminder – if you are volunteering at Summer Hill Public School – please drop into the office and show your ID and sign a form.

Dates for the Diary

Spooky Disco – Friday 4th November

Twilight Picnic - Saturday 26th November



P&C music support committee update

The school chamber orchestra and the school recorder group were on stage at the Sydney Opera House on 30th August for the Festival of Instrumental Music on Tuesday. It was a chance for the children to test out the new acoustics and the sound and standard of music was amazing.

Our annual round of Evening Concerts finished up with an amazing display of talent from the junior recorder group, the senior choir along with group and solo singing and piano pieces. The Music Support Committee ran a refreshments table at each of the four Evening Concerts this year and we raised some funds which will be donated to support the music program. Many thanks to all the parents, carers and families who supported these concerts and our young musicians and singers and a special thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help on the night.

The training band and orchestra accompanied the sound of sizzling bacon and eggs during the FASP breakfast, and we had a festival of music where every band and orchestra played after school for the Art Show on Friday 16th of September.

We are also looking forward to a packed agenda of music for Term 4.



Summer Hill Canteen goes Waste Free on Wednesdays in Term 4

The sustainability committee has worked with Yummy Bears Kiosk to provide a Plastic Free Wednesday Category in Flexischools. By selecting this category, you can now access menu items that are completely plastic free.

You can choose these sustainable alternatives any day of the week, not just Wednesdays. In addition to that initiative, they run their BYOF (Bring Your Own Fork) program to reduce single-use waste. Ecofriendly forks will be available at \$0.20 each and can be added to your order via Flexischools or purchased over the counter.

Sustainability Committee

Last call for Recycling Smart in 2022

As per previous drives, please do a clean out over the school holidays and bring your items into school to be left outside the kindergarten classrooms under the shade cloth for the first week of term. A reminder to ensure it fits into a reusable grocery bag and that it falls into one of these categories: Soft plastics

E-waste (Small items that use electricity eg. Alarm clock, Angle grinder, blender, charger cord, computer parts - mouse, keyboard, Digital cameras, Disposable vapes, Electric games, consoles and toys, electric grill, Fan heater, Hairdryer, electric toothbrush, Headphones and earphones, Iron, kettle, toaster, Laptop, tablets, e-readers, Mobile phones, mp3 players, DVD player, Small microwave, small vacuum cleaner, Stereos, speakers, radios, torches)

Textiles (bags, belts, towels, linen, clothing items, hats, swimwear, socks and stockings, shoes, fabric mattress protectors (not waterproof/plastic), fabric off-cuts and sewing scraps, fabric couch covers and curtains, wetsuits)

Batteries

Lightbulbs

Printer cartridges

Polystyrene (white only, unbroken is best!)

Sealed paint maximum 2L

Smoke detectors/Alarms

X-ray films

Takeaway Coffee Cups

Aluminium Coffee Capsules

Cosmetic, hair care or skin care packaging - we collect any brand, just make sure it's almost empty

Books in sellable condition (must be in English, have all pages and no handwritten notes)

Toys in sellable condition

DVDs and CDs in sellable condition WITH covers to be donated OR unsellable condition WITHOUT covers

We can't accept:

Unwashed items

Underwear

Carpet

Duvets/Doonas

Pillows/Cushions

Soft Toys

Wired Bras

Blister packs

Shaving foam cans

Perfume bottles

Nail polish bottles and nail polish remover bottles Items larger than a grocery bag



Kids!! Have fun learning to speak Mandarin



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The Mandarin Stars program offers:

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- An immersion-based program that teaches strong listening and speaking skills in Mandarin.
- Language building activities such as role play, Chinese songs, rhymes and games!
- The teaching of Chinese characters, reading, writing and Pin Yin.
- The discovery of Chinese history, culture, festivals, Calligraphy, Tai Chi and even Kung Ful

Classes start in Term 4 and are held on Wednesdays Afternoon as follows:

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Spring has sprung and we're super excited for the warmer weather!

It's the perfect time to get out and about and plan a day (or more) at our <u>Way out West Festival</u> for children & young people. The festivities begin on Saturday 24 September and it's a full 7 days of fun filled shows and activities the whole family can enjoy!

Come and support your local creatives at the first ever <u>Youth Makers Market</u>. Over twenty makers aged 4-18 will be participating and selling their hand made wares. Meet and chat with the makers and take home an original artwork, delicious treat or crafty creation!

Date Saturday 24 & Sunday 25 September

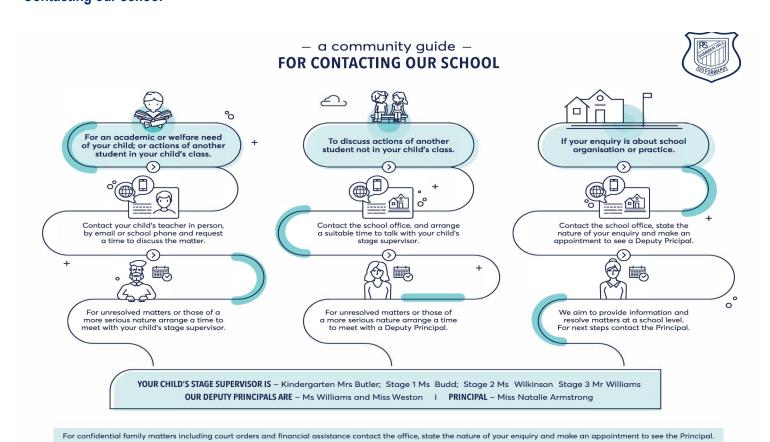
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Ages: All

Venue: Outside CPAC

Cost: Free

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