# Summer Hill PS Go forward



Newsletter Week 10 Term 3 2020

#### Principal's message

I would like to congratulate all of our students for their demonstration of our 3Rs – Respect, Responsibility and Resilience during Term 3. Despite the challenges faced due to Covid restrictions during the term, our teachers have worked hard to make sure students continue to have a diverse range of opportunities and experiences. I've mentioned just a few events and activities below; you can read about many more throughout our newsletter.

This week, we are celebrating our reimagined biannual art show. Showcasing the performing arts is a highlight for our school and we are proud to have every child's art work displayed in our virtual art gallery. We have had over 1000 views so far. Similarly, sport provides another opportunity for students to extend their skills beyond the classroom – and this week students are participating in our reimagined athletics carnival, a one week event extravaganza!

Last week our Year 5 and 6 students participated in the Stage 3 Public Speaking competition. Angus, Ezekiel, Yevin, Julia, Isabelle, Edie, Naomi, Anna and Keira made it through as class representatives, well done! Keira 6SO was announced as the winner and will proceed to the next level of the competition (with Anna as runners up). Congratulations to you both!







Light It Up Red for Dyslexia is a very important annual event at Summer Hill Public School – it allows our community to celebrate the strengths of our students with dyslexia or dyslexia type learning needs. Students and staff will wear red this Thursday to raise funds for the Australian Dyslexia Foundation.

I wish you all the best for the upcoming holiday and look forward to seeing you all again in Term 4.

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

#### September

Thu 24 Dyslexia awareness mufti fundraiser. Wear red.

Thu 24 Year 6Athletics Carnival Day

Fri 25 Year 5 Athletics Carnival Day

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

Fri 30 Book Week Parade

#### **November**

Wed 11 Remembrance Day

Tue 17 P&C meeting

#### December

Wed 16 Last day of Term 4 for students.

Happy holidays!

Find more on EVENTS on the school webpage









## Communications



#### Summer Hill Public School Art Show 2020

Our showcase of over 700 diverse and beautiful artworks celebrates our students' creativity and provides a window into our art programs.

Go for a walk along Junction Road and have a look at the magnificent masterpieces that make up our Peoples Choice artworks.

Our virtual gallery is live on the school's website and we hope you enjoy the show.



#### Light It UP for Dyslexia (and all students who struggle to read) Mufti Day - Thursday 24 September

On this day, we encourage students to wear red to support all students who find it hard to read. This is nothing to be ashamed of and we want to get that message out.

Gold coin donations are appreciated. All donations will go to the Australian Dyslexic Foundation.

All parents of Stage 3 students, please note that this is also a sport carnival day for Year 6. Your child may wear house colours, but if they do they are encouraged to wear a splash of red somewhere like a headband or a ribbon.

#### Congratulations to 2AD and 2VK – Year Two Vegetable Gardeners Extraordinaire.

Students from 2AD and 2VW have proven themselves to have 'green thumbs' this term. As the first student custodians of the rejuvenated school vegetable gardens, they have demonstrated wonderful collaborative skills. Small groups worked together to plant, tend and harvest from the same garden bed. They are justifiably proud of their achievements. They were able to revive our school tradition of donating produce from the vegetable garden to the Exodus Foundation's food program. The chefs from Exodus were very impressed with the standard of the produce students had grown, which was all used to feed homeless people from our local area. Well done, 2AD and 2VW!

















## Communications



#### **Wear it Purple Day**

Thank you to all of our students and teachers for getting into the spirit of Wear it Purple Day. We are proud to be a school where all students and their families feel welcomed and respected.

On the day, 28th August our student ministers and buskers raised \$361.00 for the Wear It Purple Foundation and our students enjoyed a colourful dress up day.









## P&C update



The P&C held its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 15th via Zoom. Thank you to everyone who participated. We're really please how well the virtual meetings are going and welcome anyone who wishes to participate. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 20th at 7:15pm via Zoom.

#### SHPS Art Show 2020

Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped hang a selection of the Art Show paintings on the school fence. The art looks amazing and we encourage everyone to view the online gallery where every child's painting is on display.

https://summerhill-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/shps-art-show-2020.html

#### **Used uniform shop**

Thank you to everyone who donated used uniforms at our collection points last week. The Uniform committee volunteers have been hard at work sorting through piles of clothes and we look forward to the Used Uniform Shop being up and running again very soon.

#### Upcoming events – volunteers needed

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



### Kindergarten

### A busy Term 3 for Kindergarten

Kindergarten students participated in a range of learning activities throughout Term 3. This term the students came together as a whole grade to present their weekly news during News Café, for collaborative writing with all the Kindergarten teachers and Miss Edwards. Each class participated in weekly Got Game lessons and the Athletics Carnival in Week 10. Students also celebrated 100 Days of Learning and NAIDOC Week. During Fruit & Veg Month, each class participated in the Crunch and Sip Competition and many students received a House Token for Waste Free Wednesday in Week 7. The Summer Hill Art Show provided an opportunity to celebrate each student's creativity in a digital format, with four Kindergarten artworks on display outside the school. What a busy term for the Kindergarten students!

The Kindergarten Teachers



#### Stage 1

#### **Summer Hill Art Show**

Stage One were very excited to participate in this year's Art Show. During our assembly we got to congratulate all of the students who won the Art Show poster competition. These posters included colourful, bright and eye catching designs. We also celebrated the students who won the People's Choice Awards. Their artworks will be displayed around the school fence for everyone to see! All of the students who participated in the Art Show this year will have their artwork uploaded onto the school website.





### Stage 2

#### Limericks from Year 4

Isabelle had to put herself into the shoes of King Gilgamesh and express how he would have felt after his friend Enkidu had passed away. It feels as if the happiness in my heart, my soul and my brain has been buried away deep in the deepest hole in Uruk, to never be felt again. I feel like I can still hear Enkidu- screaming, shouting and weeping. Reality has hit me. Enkidu is dead. I can still see the look of deep depression, no God can help now. He is dead.

By Isabelle 4SR

There was once a girl who could fly, So she decided to go up in the sky, She flew of a cliff, And started to lift, But then plummeted down and died!

By Caitlin 4TK

There was once a girl who could shape-shift, She decided to turn into a lift, But the lift went down, And turned very brown, So no more was she seen as swift.

By Aerin 4TK

There once was a girl with earth powers who could grow big fantastic flowers she didn't have air she was very fair sometimes they'd grow as big as towers

By Prue 4SP

There once was an echidna called Elly, Who always walked round kind of smelly, She dipped into a pool, It was ever so cool, Then she went back home and watched some telly.

By Aarya 4SR

There was once a boy who was an energy bender, He was only small and slender, So he went to the gym, And got better than thin, And fought a man named Blender.

By Lewis 4TK

There once was an invisible girl She loved to dance and twirl She is never seene And is really keen She is a cool invisible girl

By Lilley 4SP

There was a girl with water powers Who swam all the time every hour She could breathe in the sea And climb up a tree Then she went to live in a tower

By Millie 4SP







STEM lessons are designed to challenge a student's creativity and problem solving skills. This week our challenge was to design and make a marble maze using a limited supply of equipment. Lots of learning and fun!

4TK have been looking at data displays and the students made posters in groups on the ecological footprint of the class.







### Stage 3

#### **Students Rebuild School Using Minecraft**

A team of Year 5 and 6 students have been busy recreating the school using the online platform Minecraft. The team, led by Owen S (Year 6), has spent many of their lunchtimes this term in the school library, working collaboratively. Each part of the school has been measured for scale and designed online, right down to the garbage bins in the playground. Ms Armstrong has even helped out with the initial planning and measuring.

We look forward to seeing the project presented at a future school parliament.

Mr Williams



#### Summer Hill Students reach State Semi Final

A team of Year 5 and 6 students have successfully reached the Department of Educations "Game Changer Challenge" Competition. The team of 5 students submitted a proposal (Written report and film) that answered the question:

#### 'How might we use technology to bring everyone in our community closer together?'

The Summer Hill Sparrows proposal included an element of design thinking and innovation. "Summer Hill Sparrows has been selected from among hundreds of submissions from across the state to participate in the Game Changer Challenge 2020 semi-finals. The judging panel was unanimously impressed with the calibre of innovation, technical skill and humour among all our entrants, and the competition was extremely high." The semi-finals take place next term in a virtual environment. Good Luck Sparrows!

Mr Williams

5MA enjoyed going on a "gallery walk" to check out all the awesome "Peoples choice winners" artworks around the school gates. We are extremely proud of Scarlett for being our class winner!





#### Summer Hill Public School's New Multicourt

Summer Hill Public School's new multicourt has just finished renovation!

In 2019, Term 4, the school had a Fun Run, where students asked locals, parents, neighbours and family to sponsor them to run. The school raised \$51,000 and it was Ms Armstrong, the school's principal, who decided to spend it on our battered, old basketball court.

The old basketball court was run down and had broken concrete and rusty hoops. In 2020, when the Covid-19 lockdown struck, machines could be seen building and leveling out the soon-to-be multicourt. By the time the students came back to school, the multicourt was nearly finished and within a few weeks it was finally open to students. "It's the best thing to happen to our playground since the astroturf went in on the field," said Mr. Warnock, the school's deputy principal. The multicourt features six different sporting courts. These include: two handball courts, volleyball, basketball, soccer, netball, tennis and you can play many other recreational sports on the court as well

For images, other renovations and interesting events, visit our school website.

Miranda, L 6AW



### Stage 3

#### **Debating at Summer Hill Public School**

As you many of you may know, on the 16th of September, the third and final round of the Inner West Premier's Debating Competition took place via Zoom. Summer Hill's debating teams, the Scorchers and Strikers, celebrated yet another double win against Ashfield Public School's debating teams, the Blues and Reds on Wednesday.

The Strikers are currently undefeated, while the Scorchers have only lost one debate (against the Strikers). Both Summer Hill teams have beaten all other schools in the area. The debating topics in this round followed 3 main themes; sport, health and fitness.

The Scorchers were up against the Ashfield Blues and their topic was that all students should have a 30 minute exercise class at the start of the day. Their stance was negative, yet we still came out victorious.

The Strikers were up against the Ashfield Reds and their topic was that all unhealthy foods should be banned on school premises. Their stance was affirmative, and the team came out on top as well, ending in a victory for both teams.

Congratulations to both teams! We wish you all the best in the debating state finals!

SHPS Scorchers and the SHPS Strikers





#### **Public Speaking at Summer Hill Public School**

As many of you in Stage 3 may know, for the past few weeks all classes in Year 5 and Year 6 have been delivering persuasive speeches to demonstrate their public speaking skills. Out of all of the contestants, only one from each class was chosen to move onto the stage final, where these students competed against each other.

The speakers chosen from each class were Yevin 6AW, Edie 5MD, Angus 6CM, Anna 5SH, Naomi 5PW, Julia 5AW, Isabelle 6FD, Ezekiel 5MA and Keira 6SO.

The speakers all had different prepared speech topics, however they all had to do their impromptu speech on the same topic. The impromptu speech topic was 'The Arts (music, drama, visual arts and dance) are Essential'. The speakers had five minutes to prepare the speeches, and two minutes for their actual delivery.

Congratulations to Anna L 5SH who was the runner up of the Stage 3 public speaking competition.

Congratulations to Keira H 6SO for winning the Stage 3 public speaking competition. Keira will be progressing to the next level, where she will be competing against speakers from other schools.







During Library lessons in Term 3 we have explored the short-listed Australian Children's Book Week titles and considered the theme: Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.

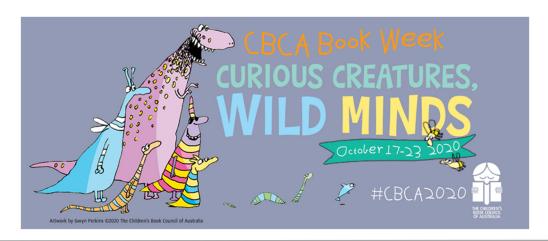
#### Australian Children's Book Week 2020

We are glad to announce that the Summer Hill Public School community will be able to join the national celebrations for Australian Children's Book Week this year. The date has been officially changed to October, we will hold our annual book character celebration in some form on Friday 23rd October (Term 4, Week 2). We hope that during the holidays families might find the time to help students put together a simple homemade costume to celebrate a favourite character or to explore the theme, 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.' Thank you to students and families for supporting this annual celebration of Australian children's literature. It is a great way to honour the work that students have put into developing their reading skills and develop their appreciation of uniquely Australian writing for children.

As in past years, ukulele buskers at the gates will gather gold coin donations for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. In that way we can support students in remote communities to have access to great books for children.

#### Regards

Carmel Grimmett and Kate Phillips, teacher librarians



### 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 Grimmett and Kate Phillips Summer Hill Public School Library



## **Before & after school programs**





### Applications open for the 2021 Instrumental Music Ensembles

Available to public school students in years 5-12 The Arts Unit offers six instrumental ensembles that rehearse on

a weekly basis in Lewisham. We have two wind ensembles, two jazz stage bands, one string ensemble and one symphony orchestra. Our ensembles are open to public school students in years 5-12.

These ensembles perform regularly at the Sydney Opera House and Sydney Town Hall, present concerts and workshops in regional NSW, and tour internationally.

#### How to Apply

Applications will close on Friday 30 October 2020. For more I nformation about weekly instrumental ensembles and to apply visit our website https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/weeklyinstrumental-ensembles

For further enquiries please contact Lindsay Pringle lindsay.pringle2@det.nsw.edu.au or phone (02) 8512 1188.



Would you like your child to learn Spanish at **Summer Hill PS?** When? Tuesdays from 3:00pm

More info: carolina.posadas@inspanish.com.au

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## Kids!! Have fun learning to speak Mandarin



fun mandarin for kids

FUN Mandarin Language Club at Summer Hill PS!

The Mandarin Stars program offers:

 An engaging program that will inspire a love for learning Chinese.
 An immersion-based program that teaches strong listening and speaking skills Mandarin.

Mandarin. Language building activities such as role ay, 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

Classes are held on Wednesdays Afternoon as follows:

3.15pm - 4.00pm Kindy - Year 2/3 4.15pm - 5.00pm Years 3 - Year 6

CONTACT US TODAY AND BOOK A FREE TRIAL LESSON!

**Animation workshops** SHPS enrolment for term 4 is **OPEN** Mondays, 3:15PM-4:30PM 10 weeks, \$260 per child

www.mandarinstars.com.au 🛖 enrol@mandarinstars.com.au 🛖 Ph:1800 18 11 18

Get in touch or enrol via our webiste:

www.theanimationspark.com.au



## **3Bridges Vacation Care**





#### **Summer Hill Vacation Care Program September/October 2020**

In Centre Incursion Day All Children

#### Craft Galore & Mini **Olympics**

How much craft is too much?



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



In Centre Day All Children

### **Giant Games Day**

Games but GIANT size!



#### In Centre Fun:

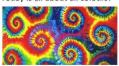
- Giant Ker Plunk
- Giant Snakes &
  - Ladders
- Giant Pick Up Sticks
- Giant Twister
- Giant Card Games



In-Centre Incursion 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



In Centre Day All Children

#### **Secret Agent Day**

Can you create the ultimate



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







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







### Summer Hill Vacation Care Program September/October 2020



### **Public** Holiday

Incentre Day

#### 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!



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



In Centre Incursion Day All Children

#### Springtime Fun!



#### Activities Included:

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

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



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!

In-Centre Incursion Day All Children

### Fun Day Friday!

Join us for a sausage sizzle lunch & Carnival day! Halal and Vegetarian



### In Centre Fun:

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



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E: childcare@3bridges.org.au W: http://www.3bridges.org.au



## **Community notices**



## Ninja Warrior

## Holiday Fun!

Fri: 2 Oct Tues: 6 Oct

9am - 12pm Ashfield Park

\$40 pp Siblings 25% discount

\*Ninja-fitness-boxing \*Obstacle course \*Dodgeball and fun games. Fun for everyone.

geckosports.com.au



## Mini-Olympics

## Holiday Fun!

Tues: 29 Sept Fri: 9 Oct

9am - 12pm Ashfield Park

\$40 pp Siblings 25% discount

\*Athletics \*Soccer \*Volleyball hemed games. Fun for everyone

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### **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







- Picnic Area
- Bike Track
- Ninja Course
- Undercover Deck
- Toilet Facilities
- Offsite Parking









More information can be found on the **Bridge Road School website** or check out the aerial Forest video on

This is the perfect open space area for your next family get together, child's birthday party or social gathering.

This hidden garden sanctuary is nestled behind Camperdown Oval and features a bike track, ninja obstacle course, large deck, bbq and picnic area.

There is also onsite parking available, toilets and undercover deck.





For further information or arrange a booking please contact Bridge Rd School on 9519 8389