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## **Principal's Report**

### **School Principal update**

Last week a note was sent home announcing that I had been successful through the Merit Selection process to be the Principal of this wonderful school. However unlikely, there is a 10 day Appeals period which finishes this Sunday where unsuccessful applicants can appeal the process. I am very excited to be appointed to this wonderful school and very much looking forward to working closely with the community to benefit the children. Thank you to everyone who has passed on their congratulations and for making me feel very welcome in your school.

### **Public Speaking Finals**

Last Thursday the school held its finals of the Public Speaking competition. I was amazed at the high level of speeches presented by the students. They were all very impressive. There is no way I could have delivered a speech at their age to the quality they demonstrated. Well done to all the students in every class who participated in the activity. Public Speaking is a life skill that all need to develop and conducting these activities at a young age helps the children face their fears in a supportive environment. Our winners on the day were; Iziah (Stage 3), Surmayi (Stage 2), Michael (Stage 1) and Jasper (Early Stage 1).

### **Department of Education Futures Learning**

Next Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov our school will be having a visit from Futures Learning. This area of the Department assists schools in their use of technology and provides support to ensure that it is implemented effectively to enhance student engagement. Several classes (maybe all of them) will have the opportunity to participate in the activities. It will give staff an opportunity to observe how they can effectively use technology. More information will be sent home tomorrow, but I am hopeful that there will be a session starting around 3pm where parents will have the opportunity to see this initiative in action. As soon as the details for the day have been confirmed I will post a message on the app and the school website.

### **Requests for 2018**

Planning for 2018 is well underway. If you have any requests or information relating to class placement or teacher allocation for 2018 please put it in writing and mark it to the attention of Mr Pinchbeck. All requests will be treated with the strictest confidentiality. I cannot promise that I can cater for your request but I can promise that each request will be given due consideration. As you can appreciate in a small school there are sometimes not a lot of alternatives.

### **2018 Kindy Enrolments**

If you know of any families in our community that have children starting Kindergarten next year and haven't enrolled as yet can you please encourage them to make contact with the school as soon as possible. This will greatly assist us with planning and ensure a smooth start to 2018.

♥ Welcome to  
Kindergarten

### **2018 Start of School Year**

Next year students in Years 1-6 will start school on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Kindergarten students will start full-time on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. During the first week, Tuesday to Thursday, each Kindergarten student will be allocated a one hour window on one of those three days to complete their Best Start assessment. This assessment gives the teachers a great indication of the student's abilities and will assist them with their planning.

If you will not be at school when it starts in 2018 can you please provide me with a letter stating that fact and the reason why. At the beginning of each year principals count the number of students before forming new classes to ensure their numbers are accurate and the school is staffed accordingly.

### **League Tag Gala Day**

On Tuesday the Stage 2 students finally were able to participate in their League Tag Day. They got to compete against many schools from around our area in a carnival type atmosphere. They had an absolute blast playing and showed great sportsmanship throughout the day. Many thanks to Mrs Todd for organising our school's participation and to Mr Byrne for accompanying the children on the day.



### **Stage 3 Surf Awareness**

On the same day Stage 3 attended an excursion to Manly and Shelley beaches to learn about the surf and how to stay safe. It was a perfect day for this activity and the children I spoke to thoroughly enjoyed their day as did the teachers. This program is very important given Australia's affection with the surf. Going to the beach is an Australian pastime; however, beaches can be a dangerous place and we all need to know how to stay safe.

Matt Pinchbeck

Principal (rel)

Year 5/and 6 enjoying Surf Ed at Manly Beach



# Remembrance Day November 11 11.2017



# **Leadership Speeches for 2018**

Leadership speeches for 2018 will be held in the school hall on  
Wednesday 22nd November at 12.20pm.

All year 5 parents are welcome to come along



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**SAVE THE DATE**

***Celebration of Learning***

Tuesday 12th December





# CANTEEN NEWS



## ***NEED A LUNCH BAG FOR YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH ORDER?***

Below are the options available to purchase from our school Canteen:



### Reusable Canteen Lunch Order Bags "Lunch Wallets" \$10 each

- Designed to replace paper lunch bags when ordering from the canteen.
- Holds more food than paper bags.
- Sturdy flat base makes them easy to pack and stack.
- Made from non woven polypropylene (like green shopping bags) as it is durable and easy to clean
- Extremely easy to wipe clean with a damp cloth.
- Reduces paper waste.
- Hygienic zipper pocket to separate money from contact with food.
- Wallet in a closed position.
- Transparent pocket displays name & class.
- Clear pocket with zipper for money & written lunch order.
- Size of Lunch Wallet is approximately: 23cm (H) x 18cm (W) x 10cm (D).
- Pocket sizes and colours may vary.



OR

Disposable Brown Paper Lunch Order Bag 10c each

### Canteen Policy Update

\*Please note young children are not permitted in the canteen due to Health & Safety guidelines and Insurance reasons.

\*All lunch orders should be placed in the Lunch Order Collection Bin located near the Canteen door.

\*New Canteen Committee email address [mkpscanteen@gmail.com](mailto:mkpscanteen@gmail.com)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017

**Wednesday 22nd November**

Kindy Kick Start

**Friday 24th November**

Star of the Month Assembly

**Tuesday 28th November**

Dangar Island (Stage 1)

Wannabees (Kindy)



## SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking takes place every Tuesday morning outside the library.

Please take your books to Mrs Fieramosca and not to the school office.

If you forget we are happy to pass them on the following week.



# Community Notice Board



**Dr. Yan Chen**

Dentist

BDS BOH

21 Hunter Street, Hornsby

Ph: 02 9987 1007 Fax: 02 9476 1576

[www.hornsbymc.com.au](http://www.hornsbymc.com.au)

## BUSH SCHOOL LEARN TO SWIM

Swimming lessons for children

4 years to 12 years (Year 6, 2017) taught by our qualified and experienced instructors at the Bush School pools on Saturdays, November – March

Season Cost: 30 min lesson

\$105 for 1 child,

\$175 for 2 children,

\$230 for 3 or more children (plus \$21.00 insurance per child 8 yrs and over)

Enrolments: Online at our website

Grading: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm (or on later Saturdays from November) at the Bush School pools.

Enquiries:

Frances Simpson-Lee 9489 1579

Carolyn Cross 9489 2415

Liz Wright - [bushschoolts@gmail.com](mailto:bushschoolts@gmail.com)





# GET in2 FUN GET in2 CRICKET

MILO in2CRICKET introduces girls and boys, aged 5 - 8, to Australia's favourite sport. It's great fun, kids learn the basic cricket skills and is available for kids of all abilities.



All kids receive a **BONUS PLAYER PACK** when they register!



**BCC MILO Have-A-Go introductory session:**

Sunday, 22nd October 3-5pm at Warrina Street Oval

**BCC MILO in2 Cricket program:**

Saturdays from 8:30 to 9:30am

November 4th to December 15th 2017

& February 3rd to March 2nd 2018



Visit [www.berowracricket.org](http://www.berowracricket.org) to register





# TWILIGHT CHRISTMAS MARKET

Thursday 7th December

5:30 - 8:30pm

Turrumurra High School,  
Maxwell Street Turrumurra

*Stunning jewellery, handmade cards,  
delicious Christmas delicacies, french  
homewares, unique gifts, Arcadian  
Artists stalls and many more!*

ENTRY: GOLD COIN DONATION

[turramurahighschool.com.au](http://turramurahighschool.com.au)

Mt Kuring-gai Public School

# Family Fun Night 2017

Family & Friends, let's celebrate the end of year with  
Pizza, Jumping Castle, Movie Night,  
and there might be a special surprise visitor in a red suit!

**Friday the 8th December**

**5.00pm till 9.30pm**

## **"WOOD FIRE PIZZA"**

*Unlimited Pizza, straight from a Mobile Woodfired Oven / Entree / Main / Dessert*

**KIDS EAT FREE**

**5.30PM TILL 9.30PM**

## **JUMPING CASTLE**

*Suitable for all ages, 5.00PM TILL 8.00PM*

## **MOVIE IN THE HALL - BALLERINA (PG)**

**8.00PM till 9.30PM**

## **DRINKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE / BAND FUNDRAISER**

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**RSVP & PAYMENT BY MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER FOR CATERING PURPOSES / IN BOX AT OFFICE**

**SINGLE ADULT PIZZA & ENTRY: \$28.00 1 ADULT UNLIMITED PIZZA ALL NIGHT / ALL CHILDREN EAT FREE**

**FAMILY PIZZA & ENTRY: \$55.00 2 ADULTS UNLIMITED PIZZA ALL NIGHT / ALL CHILDREN EAT FREE**

**FAMILY NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NO OF FAMILIES ENTRY & PIZZA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NO OF SINGLE PIZZAS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT AMOUNT:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS eg. ALLERGIES:** \_\_\_\_\_



Have fun playing  
Mini Footy with Asquith Magpies  
2018 Registrations now open  
online at [playnrl.com](http://playnrl.com)

**Low early bird fees**

U6 - \$50 U7 to 12's -\$80



- Jersey, shorts & socks included
- Safe Play Code
- Free Membership to the new



[www.asquithmagpies.com.au](http://www.asquithmagpies.com.au)

Email: [asquithmagpies1953@gmail.com](mailto:asquithmagpies1953@gmail.com)

**Come and Try Thursdays**

November 16th, 23rd, 30th - James Park Hornsby 4-5pm  
December 7th, 14th - Mt Ku-ring-gai Oval 4.30-5.30pm

**LOCAL OP SHOP SUPPORTING THE GOOD SAMARITAN FOUNDATION**

*Josephine's Emporium* in Thornleigh is an Op Shop lover's paradise with a wonderful collection of girls and women's clothing, accessories and jewellery. For bargain hunters you'll love browsing through our wide range of Bric a Brac. There is something for everyone!

This Op Shop is one of the not-for-profit works of *Emmaus Productions* and the *Mary Brown Memorial Foundation* established by Monica Brown and the local Brown family of Thornleigh. Proceeds from the profits of the Op Shop will go to *The Good Samaritan Foundation*, in support of their work with families in crisis.

*Josephine's' Emporium* is located above the hairdresser's saloon at 8D Station Street Thornleigh and is open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am - 4pm. For more information phone 0432160322 or 94840252



**Abbotsleigh Swimming Club  
You're invited to race  
at our Abb Meet**

**Date** Friday 17 November

**Time** 5.30 pm start (Warm up 4.45-5.20 pm)

**Where** Abbotsleigh Aquatic Centre

**Sign in** at Aquatic Centre front desk, or email Coach Cameron ([gledhillc@abbotsleigh.nsw.edu.au](mailto:gledhillc@abbotsleigh.nsw.edu.au)) and include your name, age and events

**Entries close** Monday 13 November

*Free barbecue for all swimmers and their families*

[www.abbotsleighswimclub.org.au](http://www.abbotsleighswimclub.org.au)





Early intervention for  
children with disability



## EARLYED SERVICES & PROGRAMS INFORMATION SESSIONS

For families of children with a disability or delay in their development, these sessions will help you learn about how EarlyEd can support you and your child.

Learn about EarlyEd's services and programs including:

- Groups
- Parent Training
- Transition to School
- Toy Library
- Individual Support
- Holiday Programs
- Early Learners Groups
- MyTime
- Workshops
- SportEd
- Playgroups
- Support to childcare centres, schools & community

### EVENT DETAILS

#### NORTH SYDNEY

**Date:** Wednesday 22 November

**Time:** 1:00—2:30pm

**Location:** 3 Cunningham Street

#### FORESTVILLE

**Date:** Monday 27 November

**Time:** 1:00—2:30pm

**Location:** Forestville Senior  
Citizens Centre

To book or for further information, contact us on [events@earlyed.com.au](mailto:events@earlyed.com.au)  
or (02) 9923 2727

[www.earlyed.com.au](http://www.earlyed.com.au)