

Normanhurst News

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Term 4 Week 6

20 November 2019

DATE	EVENT	
Thursday 21 November	3 - 6 Assembly Peer Support	
Monday 25 November	Leadership Speeches - Girls	
Tuesday 26 November	Leadership Speeches - Boys	
Wednesday 27 November	Thank you Morning Tea School Tour 9.15 a.m.	
Thursday 28 Novmeber	Kindergarten 2020 Transition 9.15 a.m 11.00 a.m. K - 6 Assembly	

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

Band Showcase Evening

I very much enjoyed attending our Band Showcase on Friday evening. This was a wonderful culmination of our band program for 2019 and demonstrated the dedicated efforts of our band students throughout the year. The progress they have made and the way they have worked together is truly impressive. It was also great to see the special solo and group performances from our Year 6 band students. Being able to play an instrument is a special talent that I am sure our band students will cherish for years to come. Thank you to our Band Committee, conductors, tutors and staff members Ms Williams, Ms Froment and Ms Ironside who have all contributed to the success of the band program.









Chess Tournament

Today our annual Normanhurst PS Chess Tournament is being held. It is great to see so many students involved and all participants are competing well. We look forward to hearing the results later in the day. Thank you to Ms Spender who coordinated the tournament with the Sydney Academy of Chess.

Normanhurst Boys High School Visit

Last Thursday morning students from Normanhurst Boys High School came to visit our school. Some of the Year 9 students worked with our Kindergarten students and read children's books that they had written and illustrated themselves. Year 10 Drama students performed a circus show for our Years 3-6 students. We value our collaborative work with Normanhurst Boys High School and thank them for organising this visit.





2020 Planning

This term we are planning for 2020 classes. To assist in this process, it is most helpful if we have accurate student numbers. If your child will not be returning to Normanhurst Public School in 2020, please send written advice of this to me as soon as possible.

If you have particular information related to your child's 2020 placement of which you feel we need to be aware, please put this in writing (letter or email) addressed to myself and ensure I receive it prior to **this Friday 22 November at the absolute latest.** Please note that changes will not be made after classes are formed so if you have any information you wish to be considered we need to be advised of it now. If you have submitted such requests in the past, you will need to re-submit these for 2020. It is also important that the information is received in writing and directed to me, as verbal requests to class teachers will not be considered.

Please note, this is not a process to request specific teachers. Assumptions should also not be made that teachers will necessarily be teaching the same year level in 2020 as they have previously. All of our teachers are qualified to teach K-6 and allocations are made based on preferences teachers submit to me and the overall effective operation of the school.

The written requests we do receive prior to the deadline will be considered when forming classes for next year. We are not able to reply individually to these requests but all requests are noted. However, in the context of many factors needing to be addressed, we cannot necessarily meet all requests.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

During this fortnight all classes are revising expectations for assemblies and how our school expectations relate to this setting. The Week 5 recipients of our PBL draw were Charlotte A and Douglas R.

Merit Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at last week's assembly:

For Being Res	ponsib	le					
Eliana G	KP	Arielle G	1K	Pouya A	21	Emily S	Computers
Dia J	KR	Claire Y	1V	Adele P	2S	Eliana G	Music
Caspian X	KT	Nicole N	2F				
For Being Res	pectful	1					
Evan K	KP	Theresa S	1K	Lutphy D	21	Evelyn G	Music
Aarohi D	KR	Yolanda Y	1V	Ava C	2S		
Eleanor D	KT	Zac Z	2F				
For Striving fo	r Succ	ess					
Pippa T	KP	Alex S	1K	Nicole H	21	Patrick O	Computers
Jiahe G	KR	Aidan H	1V	Megan S	2S	Dia J	Music
Serafina Z	KT	Gemma M	2F				
Kind regards,							
Amber Gorrell Principal							

ICAS Assessments

Congratulations to all students who sat the ICAS English, Maths and Writing assessments. Students receiving a High Distinction and Distinction certificate will be presented with them at their next K-6 (Week 7) or 3-6 (Week 6) Assembly. All other certificates will be handed out at lines.

ICAS English

Distinction

Patrick O Jennifer S Ashleigh D Lia T Billie H Hayley S Artin K Olivia M Joey L Minh L

High Distinction

Lachlan D Cooper S

ICAS Maths

Distinction

Leo M Patrick O William N Joey L Dominic Z Lachlan M Adam T Yool K

High Distinction Minh L

Arjun C John Y

ICAS Writing

Distinction

Willow H Olivia M Ben Y Artin K

Art at Normanhurst



2020 Calendar for Cultural Diversity



We are excited to announce that Gemma M. has had her artwork selected to be included in the 2020 Calendar for Cultural Diversity. We congratulate Gemma on her fantastic achievement. We are proud to have one of our students' artwork selected for inclusion in the calendar as it is an important tool for promoting cultural diversity and intercultural understanding. Please help us in congratulating Gemma.

Ms Kate Brisot Coordinator



Be Responsible. Be Respectful. Strive for Success.

Peer Support

This week in Peer Support ...

It is the final session of Living Positively and the students will reflect on what they have learned in Peer Support. They will remember to think optimistically, persevere and use positive self-talk. The students will learn about a model – I laugh, I live, I love. This will help them to remember the activities they enjoy, their strengths and to show appreciation to others.

During the week we encourage you to...

Discuss with your child ways they can live positively.

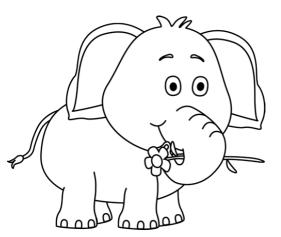
Bridie Moore and Stephanie De Palo Peer Support Coordinators

Year 6 Mini Fete

White Elephant Stall & Sausage Sizzle

With the Year 6 Mini Fete fast approaching we are seeking donations for the White Elephant Stall. Please have a look for any toys, games, books etc that you no longer need and may like to donate. Any items you wish to donate to the White Elephant Stall can be sent to Ms De Palo (6D) or Ms Moore (6M) before <u>Monday 2 December</u>. All profits from the White Elephant Stall go towards the Year 6 gift to the school.

Please also remember to send in your sausage sizzle notes and money for a tasty lunch! All sausage sizzle notes are due no later than <u>Friday</u> <u>22 November</u>.



SRC News

This term the SRC will be trialling a new recycling initiative.

We will be collecting eligible bottles that can be taken to a Return and Earn Centre. There is a bin located in the top COLA where students will place any eligible bottles or cans. The main items we will be collecting are juice bombs and water bottles that students purchase as part of lunch orders. The SRC will use the money saved to make small improvements to our school environment.

For more information about return and earn, please visit https://returnandearn.org.au/how-it-works/.

We are very excited to help reduce rubbish waste, recycle and raise some money for our school at the same time.

Ms Williams & the SRC







NPS Talent Quest

Normo's Got Talent

This year Normanhurst Public School will be holding its annual Talent Quest on **Tuesday 17 December 2019.** Our students here are all very talented and to ensure as many items as possible can be scheduled, we need to organise in advance. We ask that students all adhere to the **2 minute maximum** for their item and **one item only per person.** (Note: students may appear in a *maximum* of two if one is a solo and one is a group item.) A separate form must be submitted for each item.

Students need to provide their own music on a CD clearly labelled with their name and track. It will need to be collected after the performance. All props and costumes are the responsibility of the performers. Please indicate if a microphone is required.



It is a requirement that all entrants complete an entry form (available from the office) and submit it to Ms Jones or Ms Khoo **no later than Friday 6 December.**

Mufti may be worn on Talent Quest Day and students may like to bring a cushion or pillow to sit on in the hall.

Please note: This is a showcase day, not a competition. All entrants will receive a participation certificate.

Ms Jones and Ms Khoo Organising Teachers

Band News

Like many of you music plays a big part in my life. Outside of school, I play piano and do a lot of ballet; at school, I am in the senior dance group and the choir...and, of course, I am in the band.

I have always loved music. When I was very little (about 2 years old) I used to dance around the house blowing "tooty-toot" through a toilet role. It seems I was destined to play the trumpet!

I am so fortunate to go to this school where any student can learn to play music even if you have never seen a note before. The band programme at NPS is excellent. We have opportunities to play at school and in festivals and concerts. The band conductors, Mr Sismey and Mr Allen are always encouraging, caring and supportive and Band Camp is fantastic fun! Thank you both for all the time and energy that you give to our bands. Thank you too to Ms Gorrell, Ms Williams, Ms Foment and Ms Ironside for all that you do for the bands. Thank you especially to Lisa Manton and the Band Committee for the hours and hours that you contribute to making band such a great experience.

I have learned a lot since I joined the band. I have learned how to play my trumpet and I have learnt how to read music as smoothly as reading a book. I have played at many festivals and got constructive feedback from adjudicators and other conductors which has been helpful and encouraging. But band offers so much more than this. I have learned to be super-organised. I love hearing the different sounds and music. The conductors make me laugh and I can't help smiling when we make a beautiful sound. I have learned to love each instrument in their own way and can't wait to get to band. I am always up before my parents, ready to go to band no matter how early. Parents, I'm sure that you'll agree that although the early mornings (especially in winter) are hard work, once you hear the band you know it's for a good cause. Band has also been a great way to challenge myself and make new friends. Band is so much fun and I have loved getting to play music with my friends!

If I had one piece of advice for those who are coming into the band program it would be this – have a positive attitude and a growth mindset. Give everything a go! Every new piece of music is a challenge; working as a team takes patience; playing on stage takes courage but if you just give it your best shot and remember how much you love playing, it will all be fine.

And finally I know that all the students here tonight wouldn't be here without the help of our amazing and dedicated parents and tutors. Thank you to you all for your tireless work. Mum and dad, you have always been there for me all my band life and I'm very grateful. I hope to carry on playing my trumpet in high school and I wish Year 6 good luck for next year. I won't be leaving yet as I'm in Year 5 and I am looking forward to another year playing great music with my friends in band.

It has been an honour to be Band Captain.

Thank you .

Joanna C Band Captain

Canteen News

Canteen Volunteer Vacancies

The Year 6 Mini Fete is coming up on Thursday 5 December so the Canteen WILL BE CLOSED on this date.

Volunteer Vacancies

Can YOU please spare an hour (or three) to HELP??!! We have many vacant shifts in the next few weeks... and we rely on our volunteer generosity.... If you can chop carrots, stick stickers on brown bags, or hand out icy poles, then WE NEED YOU in our Canteen on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday please. The kids love to see your faces! We would greatly appreciate help on any of these upcoming shifts... Sign into your Child's School24 account to accept any of these or see other shifts for the month; but contact myself (details below) or Lisa to cancel any shift/s:

- Thur 21 Nov 9.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.
- Thur 21 Nov 11.00 a.m. 1.30 p.m.
- Fri 22 Nov 9.30 a.m. 1.30 p.m.
- Wed 27 Nov 9.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.
- Wed 27 Nov 11.00 a.m. 1.30 p.m.
- Thurs 28 Nov 9.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.
- Fri 29 Nov 9.30 a.m. 1.30 p.m.
- Wed 4 Dec 9.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.
- Wed 4 Dec 11.00 a.m. 1.30 p.m.

Remember a bonus \$20 School24 topup to your account is drawn (per term) - One entry for each shift a volunteer takes on!

To offer any feedback, comments or report canteen food matters please contact me on the details below.

Bonita Chan **NPS P&C Canteen Co-ordinator** M: 0414 505 800 E: <u>canteencommittee@npspandc.com</u>

Uniform Shop News

Regular Opening Hours

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Our regular opening times for the remainder of Term 4 will be 8.30-9.30 a.m. and 2.30-3.30 p.m. on the following dates:

Week 7: Friday 29 November Week 9: Friday 13 December

Additional Opening Hours during Kindy Transition Days

In addition to our regular opening, we will also be open 9.15-11.30 a.m. on Thursday 28 November.

Kindy 2020 Special Offer

You will have received details of the recommended starter items with your confirmation letter. Remember, if you purchase the full package you will receive a free Bucket Hat. If you place your order by email we can pack it ready for you to collect during the Kindy Transition Days, saving you time.

Online Orders

If you are unable to visit the shop in person, you can purchase by emailing a completed order form, along with proof of payment. Orders are packed and distributed to your child. Please ensure you are using the current order form, which can be found here: http://www.npspandc.com/uniform-shop/

Refund and Returns Policy

The Uniform Shop strives to offer the best possible service to our school community whilst keeping prices as low as possible. In order to do this, we ask that wherever possible you visit the shop to try before you buy.

With a few exceptions (see below), items may be exchanged for the same item in a different size. If a refund is required, we can issue a store credit that can be used against future purchases.

In order for a return or exchange to be accepted, the item must be returned within 14 days and be unused in the original packaging with all tags still attached. We ask that you let the shop know (by email) that you intend to exchange/return the item and provide us with the date of purchase.

Unfortunately we are unable to offer exchange or return of hats, or socks/stockings (unless unopened) due to hygiene reasons.

Faulty/defective items can be returned anytime within the warranty period and will be returned to the manufacturer for repair.

We thank you for your understanding.

Volunteering in the Uniform Shop

The uniform shop continues to rely on volunteers in order to operate. We are in urgent need of new volunteers, particularly to cover the 2.30-3.30pm shift. If you can spare an hour to help out, please contact me with your availability. You will be working alongside the uniform shop manager (me) as well as experienced volunteers so you will have plenty of support whilst you learn. Don't be shy! It's a great way to meet other parents and the more volunteers we have the more fun it will be for everyone. Thank you for your support.

P&C News

Carols Night is only a few weeks away. We will be hosting photos with Santa and plenty of food and drinks will be available for purchase on the night. We need volunteers to help us set up, run and pack away our fundraising BBQ. Please follow the link to sign up, many hands make light work! <u>https://signup.com/go/aOQNeyM</u>. We are also looking for some raffle prizes to give away on the night, any donations greatly received.

Our P&C Fundraising Coordinator role is still vacant, and we will be taking expressions of interest for individual or groups of parents to host individual events over our next calendar year. Please be in touch if you are interested in coordinating an event such as our Father'

s Day Breakfast, Trivia Night etc. We welcome new fundraising ideas and people to this role.

Melissa Logan P&C President President@npspandc.com



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Before and After Care available on request

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SUNDAY 8 DEC | 2PM – 4PM

So much Christmas magic with an amazing Christmas display. Face Painting, Candy Canes, gifts for the kids, Santa's letterbox and more! And direct from the North Pole, Santa will make a welcome appearance accompanied by Mrs Claus, The Snow Queen and a cheeky Elf to add to the fun. (12 years and under). Book online TRYBOOKING.COM/BFXTO



Golden Kangaroos

Featuring Music from Lieutenant Kijé Suite, Well known tunes from Cinema, and Classic Military and Concert Band Pieces

Wahroonga

Rotarv

Club

FREE ADMISSION 1 December, 2pm Hornsby War Memorial Hall

Presents An Evening of Classical Indian Dance and Jazz



Featuring Hugh Barrett on piano and Suhasini Sumithra

All proceeds from this event will help to fund a training program for people with disability, women and caregivers at Cheshire Homes in Coorg (South India) to work in plastic waste management.

Saturday, 23 November at 5:15pm

Peter Duly Auditorium, Abbotsleigh School, Wahroonga

Reservations at: trybooking.com/BFSEG or purchase available seats on the door

\$25 adult, \$20 concession, \$70 family of 4 Indian supper available at intermission for \$15 Free on-site parking

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8-9am & 4-6pm

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BLAST OFF INTO THE WORLD OF STEM at MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

Join our exciting science, technology, engineering and maths programs for Years K-7 during the school holidays in December and January.

- Class topics include robotics, learning about dinosaurs, flight, astronomy, volcanic eruptions, DNA, maths, how to analyse blood for diseases & why animal poop is so fascinating! And many, many more.
- Our classses are designed to teach concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft & other hands-on activities.
- · New courses are always added & all-time favourites are rotated each school holidays.



Creative Kids vouchers (value \$100) can be claimed for any robotics or coding class. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher.

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Drop off	8.30am - 9.30am
Activities	9.30am - 4.30pm
Pick-up	4.30pm - 5.30pm
Cost	\$126.50

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Normanhurst Public School Term 4 Calendar - 2019

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
WEEK 1		Interrelate Stage 3		K-2 Assembly Peer Support	Swimming Program Commences		
	14 OCT	15 OCT	16 OCT	17 OCT	18 OCT	19 OCT	20 OCT
WEEK 2		Interrelate Stage 3	Musica Viva Incursion	Robokids Incursion (K&1) 3-6 Assembly	Robokids Incursion (K&1) Staff Appreciation		
				Peer Support	Dinner 6.30p.m.		
	21 OCT	22 OCT Interrelate	23 OCT	24 OCT	25 OCT	26 OCT	27 OCT
WEEK 3	P&C Meeting & AGM	Stage 3 Enrichment	School Tour 9.15 a.m	K-6 Assembly			
	7.30 p.m.	Showcase ES1, S1, S2	SRC Meeting	Band Info Night 6.30 p.m.			
	28 OCT	29 OCT	30 OCT	31 OCT	1 NOV	2 NOV	3 NOV
WEEK 4	Stage 2 Excursion	Enrichment Showcase S3 (Hall)	Stage 2 Excursion	MUSIC COUNT US IN No Assembly			
	4 NOV	5 NOV	6 NOV	7 NOV	8 NOV	9 NOV	10 NOV
WEEK 5	Remembrance Day Service	Kindy 2020 Transition 9.15-11.00	40.00/	NBHS Visit 9-10.30 a.m. Kindy Books 3-6 Circus Peer Support K-2 Assembly	Band Showcase 6.30 p.m.	46.1101/	47.001/
	11 NOV	12 NOV	13 NOV	14 NOV	15 NOV	16 NOV	17 NOV
WEEK 6	Kindy 2020 Transition 9.15-11.00	OZTAG Gala Day	School Chess Tournament	3-6 Assembly Peer Support			
	18 NOV	19 NOV	20 NOV	21 NOV	22 NOV	23 NOV	24 NOV
WEEK 7	LEADER SPEECHES - GIRLS	LEADER SPEECHES - BOYS	School Tour 9.15 a.m Thank you Morning Tea	Kindy 2020 Transition 9.15-11.00 K-6 Assembly			
	25 NOV	26 NOV	27 NOV	28 NOV	29 NOV	30 NOV	1 DEC
WEEK 8	P&C Meeting 7.30 p.m.	Year 6 High School Orientation Day	SRC Meeting	YEAR 6 MINI-FETE No Assembly			
	2 DEC	3 DEC	4 DEC	5 DEC	6 DEC	7 DEC	8 DEC
WEEK 9	LIBRARY STOCKTAKE ALL WEEK – Library Closed	CAROLS NIGHT	Xmas Scripture Service	PRESENTATION DAY	Swimming Program Concludes		
	9 DEC	10 DEC	11 DEC	12 DEC	13 DEC	14 DEC	15 DEC
WEEK 10	Year 6 Farewell	TALENT QUEST	Last Day Term 4 for Students	Staff Development	Staff Development		
	16 DEC	17 DEC	18 DEC	19 DEC	20 DEC	21 DEC	22 DEC