



Normanhurst News



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Term 4 Week 5

11 November 2020

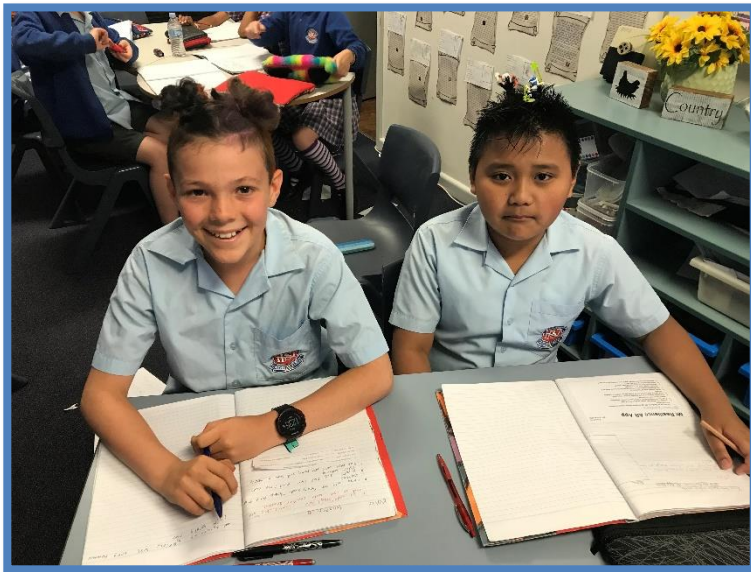
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Monday 16 November 2020	Kindergarten 2021 Orientation

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

Crazy Sock and Hair Day Fundraiser

On Monday Year 5 students coordinated a fundraiser towards the upcoming Year 6 Farewell. It was great to see so many students and staff getting involved. There were some very creative hairstyles and socks!



2021 Kindergarten Transition

Yesterday the first of our 2021 Kindergarten Transition mornings was held. It was wonderful to meet the children who will be commencing next year. The Transition Program will continue next week. We are also holding an information session for 2021 Kindergarten parents this Friday via Zoom. Details have been emailed and provided in the Kindergarten packs to relevant parents. Because an important aspect of transition is meeting future classmates and teachers, our 2021 Kindergarten teachers are working with the children during the transition mornings.

End of Year Events

You may be aware that recently there were announcements of coming changes to some restrictions for schools. However, although there is some easing in terms of parents being able to be on site for specific events and purposes, there is still a range of points with which schools need to comply. These include ensuring the venue has the capacity to observe the 4 square metre rule for all people participating. We have spent considerable time looking at options for this that may have allowed parents to attend our special events but unfortunately, even if

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we altered arrangements for these events to reduce the number of students involved and only allowed one parent of each student involved to attend, we would not be able to comply with the capacity rules. We are thus continuing with our original plan, which was to video parts of these events and have these available for relevant parents. We understand it is disappointing not to be able to attend these events but we must comply with these health requirements.

Tell Them from Me Survey Topics

This week we are continuing the series to provide further information about the operations of our school. This week's topic is meeting with me! In the TTFM survey, there is a question related to being able to easily meet with the principal. I certainly make arrangements to meet with any parent who requests to do so but please be aware:

- I am usually not able to meet without some notice. Where I have made arrangements to be at an event or activity with your children, or already have other meetings scheduled, it is generally not possible to change these arrangements at the last minute. In my five years at Normanhurst PS I have always prioritised being directly involved with our students. I attend every assembly, see students off as they leave for excursions, visit classrooms, and even teach a maths extension group each week. These commitments to your children are important and I need to honour them.
- It is also the case that there are some issues that should be raised with the classroom teacher in the first instance. It may then be appropriate to contact the Stage Supervisor or myself if the issue is not resolved to your satisfaction. It is the procedure for most workplaces that the person connected to the issue should be given an opportunity to resolve it initially. In this way, it assists parents and teachers to work in partnership to support the best outcomes for our students.

2021 Planning

This term we are planning for 2021 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 2021, please send written advice of this to me as soon as possible.

If you have particular information related to your child's 2021 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 Friday 27 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 2021. 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 2021 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.

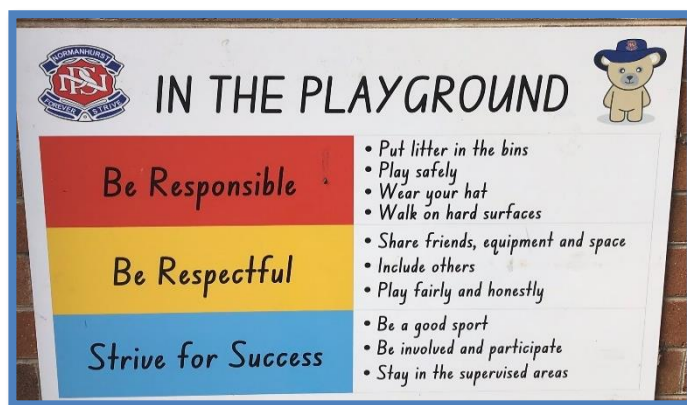
The written requests we do receive prior to the deadline will be considered when forming classes for next year. However, in the context of many factors needing to be addressed, we cannot necessarily meet all requests.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

During this fortnight all classes are learning about expectations for the playground and how our three values relate to this setting.

Kind regards,

Amber Gorrell
Principal



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Uniform Shop News

Visiting the Uniform Shop

In order to adhere to social distancing measures in the shop, we will continue to operate **by appointment only** until further notice. Appointments are available for those wishing to try uniforms for size, or to access the second-hand clothing pool.

Appointments can be booked using the following link: <https://signup.com/go/cmDYUyW>

Kindy 2021 - Pre-orders, Appointments and Special Offer

Do you have a child starting in Kindergarten next year? Want to get ahead and beat the rush by ordering your items early? Place your order now and we will have it ready for you to collect during the transition days – you will still need to book an appointment but we will have a number of “Express - collection only” appointments available.

Please note – these “Express” appointments are strictly for collecting pre-ordered items **only**. If you need to purchase any additional items or try for size, please be sure to book one of our regular 15 minute appointments, available from 8.30 am on the Kindergarten Transition days. Appointments can be booked using the link above.

Remember, purchase one of our starter packs and select your choice of **free item** from either a bucket hat, library satchel or art smock (subject to availability). See attached order form for further details.

New Online Ordering Process

All orders can now be placed via our online store at <https://www.npspandc.com/uniform/>.

Please note, at this stage payment can be made by direct bank transfer only. We are working hard behind the scenes to get payment by PayPal in place. We look forward to having this payment option available once it has been fully tested and finalised. Watch this space for further announcements.

The delivery of online orders remains as before. Orders will be packed on Friday and distributed to your child's classroom for them to bring home. Unfortunately collection from the school office is not available at present.

Volunteering in the Uniform Shop

Got an hour or two to spare on a Friday? The Uniform Shop is seeking new volunteers to add to our roster. If you would like to find out more about what's involved, please drop me an email and I will gladly answer any questions.

Kate Ward
NPS Uniform Shop Manager
Email: uniformshop@npspandc.com

Canteen News

Hot Dog Day



Our Special Food Day for Term 4 is “Hot Dog Day” on Wednesday 25 November. Pre-order your Hot Dogs (the frankfurter is pork-free, halal and gluten-free) for \$3.00 with a choice of BBQ or Tomato sauces. A Veggie Dog is also available for \$3.00 with the same sauce choices. You can also request a Gluten-free bun for an added \$1.50. We will have special “frozen treat” PADDLE POPS ordered in for this day. Selling for \$1.80 in Chocolate, Choc Caramel, Rainbow Flavours, and will only be available while stocks last. Milks, Juice Poppers and Juice Bombs will also be available. Orders will close by 8.30 A.M. on Friday 20 November. Late orders cannot be accepted. Recess and Lunch over-the-counter sales will be “as usual”. However, parents please note as this is a SPECIAL FOOD DAY (run by the

Canteen) the regular Canteen menu WILL NOT be sold on this day.

Canteen Volunteer Vacancies

Can you spare ONE hour (or three!) to chop carrots, hand out ice blocks at recess time, or just stick stickers on paper bags? Then WE NEED YOU! Please select a shift in the "volunteer roster". Vacancies can be viewed online in School24, sign into your account and click on the timeslot. We require help in these spots over the next few weeks:.

- Wednesday 11 November 9.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.
- Wednesday 11 November 11.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m
- Thursday 12 November 9.00 a.m - 10.00 a.m
- Thursday 12th November 11.00 am - 1.30 p.m
- Friday 14th November 9.00 a.m - 10.00am
- Friday 14th November 11.00 a.m - 1.30 p.m
- Wednesday 18 November 9.00 a.m. - 10.00a.m.
- Wednesday 18 November 11.00 a.m. - 1.30p.m.
- Thursday 19 November 9.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.
- Thursday 19 November 11.00 - 1.30pm
- Friday 20 November 9.00 a.m. - 10.00a.m.
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We appreciate any time you can give to help in the canteen. We are a COVID-safe practice and maintain strict health and food prep operations. Please email me directly on canteen@npspandc.com for any questions. Please remember if you (or your children) are unwell, please **DO NOT** come in, just let us or the office know. Cancellations or edits can only be made through us once you have signed up. We look forward to suggestions/feedback/questions please feel free to contact me on the details below.

Lisa Pang

Canteen Manager

canteencommittee@npspandc.com

Art at Normanhurst

Operation Art

Our school is exhibiting in Operation Art. Come and see our work on display at the Armory Gallery, Jamieson Street, Sydney Olympic Park.

Thursday 15 October – Sunday 15 November
Open daily 10am – 4pm, free entry



Kate Brisot
Co-ordinator

P&C News

We have set up some new contact details, if you would like to contact someone in the P&C, please use their specific email below:

President president@npspandc.com - Bonita Chan
Vice President vp@npspandc.com - Andrew V / Lisa Manton
Treasurer treasurer@npspandc.com - Edd Smith
Secretary secretary@npspandc.com - Andrew Veldon
Band President bandpresident@npspandc.com - Jim Walker
Building Fund building@npspandc.com - Ian Air
Canteen Convenor canteencommittee@npspandc.com - Jeanne O'Riordan
Grounds Co-ordinator grounds@npspandc.com - Ian Air
Uniform Shop Convenor uniformcommittee@npspandc.com - Jeanne O'Riordan
Fundraising Co-ordinator fundraising@npspandc.com - VACANT

Would you like to be involved with a future school project that gives back to our children?

We want NEW P&C members to join us and inject new ideas and inspiration! We still seek to fill the Fundraising Co-ordinator role and some Sub-committee spots on the Band, Building Fund, Grounds, Canteen, Uniform Shop, and Fundraising teams...! The Sub-committee roles are a fantastic way to understand the behind-the-scenes work that Lisa and Kate do for the shops, and is quite interesting... Please join us!

The P&C runs the Canteen, Uniform Shop and Band, but we also provide those "extras" for our children through fundraising and hosting events! Next meeting: Via ZOOM Monday 30 November 2020 at 7:30pm. Sign-in details will be provided closer to the date via the Skoolbag app.

Amendments to the BAND Sub-committee rules

We intend to update the Normanhurst Public School P&C Association Band Sub-committee rules. The current version of the rules has been updated to be consistent with other Sub-committee rules and align with our

Constitution. One important change proposed is the reduction of 5 to 4 committee members to form a quorum. Any valid P&C member may vote to pass these rules at the next meeting in week 8.

MOTION (1): That the NPS P&C Committee vote to amend the Band Sub-committee Rules so that we are up to date with our practises and are still operating lawfully within the boundaries of our School's P&C Constitution.

Click on the Link to read the amended Band rules: <https://www.npspandc.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/PC-Band-Rules-Draft.pdf>

REMINDER: Renewal of P&C Membership fees - please pay your \$2 fee

Name: Normanhurst Public School P&C Assn
BSB: 032-084
Account: 691 588
Reference: Surname and PC Fee

NEW IDEAS and School Community Project suggestions

If you want to submit an idea for the School and P&C to consider for next year, you have any suggestions for improvements, fun fundraising ideas (which involve minimal parental involvement and socializing), want to offer feedback, or wish to just share something with us, we would love to hear from you, please EMAIL me below, thank you.

Bonita Chan
NPS P&C Association President
president@npspandc.com

Band News

BAND NEW MEMBERS and COMMITTEE POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Do you want to come and join the Normanhurst Public School P&C Association Band Sub-committee? We meet at least once a term (currently via ZOOM) so it is very easy to join us and share your ideas. We love to meet new parents and carers in the NPS Band community!

We are currently looking for NEW members to inject fresh ideas and inspire us for the 2021 Band Programme. You could also become our next President, Treasurer, Secretary, Fundraising, Music Librarian... New nominations are being taken for these roles NOW!

The next P&C Band AGM is on at 7:30 PM on Monday 23 November where all current positions will vacate and we will vote in new people to these roles. If you are interested for a role/scope to be emailed to you, please contact us on the details below. We would love to hear from you! The sign-in details for this meeting will be provided via the Skoolbag App.

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Interested in Joining us in 2021?

*The Northern Sydney Youth Orchestra (NSYO) is inviting young musicians to join its **Symphony Orchestra, Wind Ensemble & String Orchestra**. Our youth orchestras rehearse weekly at Beecroft on Wednesdays.*

*If you play **brass, winds, strings or percussion**, we are **auditioning new members to join in Term 4 for 2021***

*Auditions will be held **Wednesday 9th December** between*

***4pm - 6pm** at the Beecroft Presbyterian Church & Church Hall, Mary St, Beecroft.*

For details, please feel free to contact us:

info@nsyo.org.au or katepalethorpe@gmail.com

Exceptional Learning Opportunities for Boys



2022 Year 7 Enrichment Class Application



Asquith Boys High School is offering places in 2022 for their Year 7 Enrichment Class.



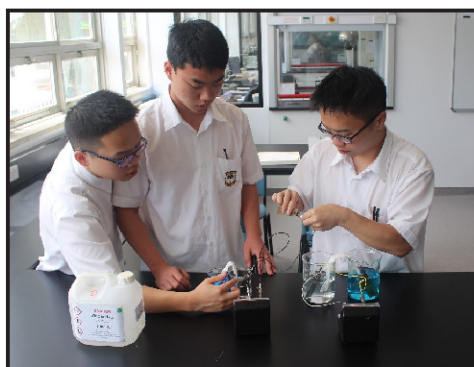
The Enrichment Class caters for students who are talented in literacy and numeracy, providing challenging extension opportunities that include creative and critical thinking.

**Applications open Monday 9 November.
For an application package go to
our website**

**www.asquithboy_h.schools.nsw.gov.au
or contact the school on 9477 3508.**



The Enrichment Class application and portfolio must be submitted to Asquith Boys High School by Monday 30 November 2020.



Students will receive placement offers in the Enrichment Class for 2022 by the end of the current school year.

Photos from top to bottom: 3D Printer, Food Technology and New Science Labs

Leadership, Citizenship, Science , Technology, Creative Arts and Sporting Excellence

School holiday programs at MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

This summer, your kids can fire up their imaginations and keep their hands and minds busy at our popular school holiday programs.

Holiday gymnastics and swimming programs

Kids can bounce, balance and tumble around the gymnastics hall, or jump in the pool with our swimming classes which range from learn-to-swim to more advanced levels (4 to 15 years of age). Individual and group lessons/clinics are available.

Vacation care

Our vacation care program has something for everyone: indoor and outdoor activities and excursions, arts and crafts, drama, cooking and games. It's hands off devices and hands-on fun.

Junior Science Academy

Switch on their curiosity at our Junior Science Academy with fun, hands-on experiments in classes for students from kindergarten to Year 6.

RoboCamps

Build robots and learn to drive them with the Thunder Down Under robotics team. Fun, educational and professionally run, these classes are ideal for children in Years 1–7. Creative Kids vouchers (value is \$100) can be claimed for any robotics or coding class. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher).

Want more information?

Visit our website: mq.edu.au/about/holidays



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Morgan Ridley-Smith

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VIP PARTY 2: 22ND-MUIRFIELD HIGH-NORTH ROCKS

VIP PARTY 3: 23RD-ASQUITH BOYS HIGH

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CAMP 2: 18TH & 19TH-MARIST BROS-WESTMEAD

CAMP 3: 21ST & 22ND-MUIRFIELD HIGH-NORTH ROCKS

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Lower North Shore & Upper North Shore Cartoon Camps 2020

Monday

Lower North Shore Dec 21st
Upper North Shore Dec 28th (We are open on Boxing Day)

- **Theme: Hawaiian.** Wear anything colourful & tropical. Prizes for the best dressed.
- **Draw:** Beginners cartooning **Part 1.**
- **Draw:** A 3D tropical landscape.
- **Draw:** Guardians of the Galaxy™.
- **Play:** The exciting game 'Charge'.
- **Coral reef:** Draw life under the sea.
- **Draw:** Animated fruit & vegetables.
- **Draw:** Australian reptiles.
- **Kids in the kitchen: Make mocktails & decorate & eat doughnuts.**
- **Science show:** With the mad Professor!
- **Make:** A squishy & play the fun squishy game.
- **Play:** Balloon Kingdom skirmish / rob the nest.
- **Make:** A tower with marshmallows & spaghetti.
- **Kite making:** Let your imaginations fly high.
- **Draw & design a plate or mug: (Long Day activity).**

Tuesday

Lower North Shore Dec 22nd
Upper North Shore Dec 29th

- **Theme: Messy clothes & hair.** Prizes for the 'worst' dressed.
- **Kids on wheels:** Bring your scooters.
- **Draw:** Beginners cartooning **Part 2.**
- **Draw:** Popular farm animals.
- **Enjoy: Delicious Skittle S'mores.**
- **Make:** The world's best paper plane.
- **Treasure hunt:** Find the treasure in the park.
- **Slime:** Make fun green gooey oobleck slime!
- **Competition: Make a candy monster!**
- **Play:** The shaving cream battle if you want to!
- **Draw African animals:** A giraffe, meerkat & an elephant.
- **Play:** Harry Potter™, Pokémon™ & Star Wars™ trivia for prizes.
- **Make:** Clay model miniature food. **(Long Day activity).**
- **Pokémon™:** Draw popular characters & trade your cards.
- **Swap & trade:** Trade Pokémon cards, Squishies & Tree House books. **(Long Day activity).**

Wednesday

Lower North Shore Dec 23rd
Upper North Shore Dec 30th

- **Theme: Wear dark clothes for the games.**
- **Challenge: Guess the Tim Tam™**
- **Draw:** Beginners cartooning **Part 3.**
- **Play:** The custard challenge.
- **Play:** Space jump.
- **Draw:** Manga animals.
- **Draw:** Garfield™ & Snoopy™.
- **Emojis:** Draw all the popular ones.
- **Draw:** Mario™, Sonic™ & Yoshi™.
- **Secret code:** Decode to find the treasure.
- **Face painting & tattoos:** Have a lot of fun!
- **Lego™:** Make a spaceship. Prizes for best creations.
- **Design a baseball cap:** We'll supply the caps. **(Long Day activity).**
- **Play: Murder in the twilight!** An exciting game with balloons. **(Long Day activity).**
- **Nerf gun battle:** Bring in your nerf guns & goggles for a safe play. Join in if you want to. **(Long Day activity).**

Thursday

Lower North Shore Dec 24th
Upper North Shore Dec 31st

Market Day

- **Theme: Computer games.** Prizes for best gaming costumes.
- **T-Shirt Art:** Design a T-Shirt. We will supply the T-Shirts.
- **Draw:** Beginners cartooning **Part 4.**
- **Draw:** Anime & Manga.
- **Draw:** 3D dinosaurs.
- **Play:** Hit the pinata.
- **Flour battle:** Join in the fun flour fight if you want to.
- **Draw:** Characters from Minecraft™ & Undertale™.
- **Draw:** Create your own tree house. An Andy Griffiths book will be awarded.
- **Waterfight:** Weather permitting & if you want to. Bring a watergun.
- **Kingdom Markets:** Everyone prepares a shop for Market Day. Make cookies, sell old toys, books, etc... the children buy & sell using Kingdom money they have earned over the week. We'll also give the children \$100 Kingdom dollars.
- **Greatest Showman™ Talent Show:** Perform if you want to - singing, dancing, gymnastics, comedy, acting, etc... prizes for best acts.
- **Computer gaming:** Bring in your devices for a computer gaming session. **(Long day activity).**

