



South School News

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Term 3 Week 1 - 21/07/2020

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Caregivers,
Welcome back to yet another busy Term. I hope that you have had a restful and enjoyable break.

Once again, we are commencing our school term in unusual circumstances. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our families for your unwavering patience, as guidelines and restrictions certainly impact the daily operation of our school.

Frequent and deep cleaning continues to be carried out on all high traffic and touch surface areas, and social distancing remains an area of vigilance for the adults that work in the school.

Unfortunately, we have to continue to request that parents, carers and older siblings do not enter the school grounds and that everyone follows the *Kiss and Drop* protocols established at the end of last Term.

The newsletter will be produced fortnightly due to school activities being limited during this time. The Facebook page will continue to be updated regularly.

During the school holidays, as part of the *Cooler Classroom's Initiative*, reverse-cycle cooling was installed in all our classrooms, serving to create a more comfortable climate in which to teach and learn.

Huge thanks to the Joss cleaning team of Sarah and Kerry for the amazing job they did in ensuring that our classrooms were spick and span and ready for our students' return to learning today.

2020 Parent Teacher Phone Conferences

Due to COVID restrictions, Parent Teacher Conferences, for this year, will be conducted by phone.

Our telephone interviews will be held during **Week 3** 3rd - 7th August. All conferences will be conducted over phone between 8:30am - 4.30pm, and will run for 10 minutes.

It is a well understood fact, that students do better in school, if parents get involved.

A parent-teacher conference is a great opportunity to:

- Discuss your child's progress
- Share your child's strengths and needs
- Identify future goals for learning

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
K/1 Fahey	6 Trickett	5 Hoy	K Klim
3 Alcott	6 Fitzgibbon	5 Fearnley	1 Freeman
	2 Wu	4 Pearson	3/4 Gaze

Appointment slips will go home today and need to be returned by Friday 24th July. Confirmation of your time for interview will be issued next week, (Week 2).

Child Protection Education Term 3

Child Protection lessons and activities are an important component of K-6 education in all NSW schools. During Term 3 children in Kindergarten to Year 6 will participate in

Child Protection lessons either as part of their PD/H/PE activities or specific Child Protection lessons. These lessons aim to assist children in developing skills in:

- Recognising and responding to unsafe situations.
- Strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility.
- Recognising appropriate and inappropriate behaviours.

Child Protection education incorporates teaching and learning in 3 broad themes:

- Recognising abuse.
- Power in relationships.
- Protective strategies.

Lessons can deal with sensitive issues. All children must feel safe, comfortable and confident when dealing with Child Protection issues. If you have any questions or concerns about your child participating in Child Protection activities please contact your class teacher or the school, as soon as possible.

Peer Support

The student led Peer Support Program will recommence next Monday 27th July, following a brief suspension due to remote learning.

P&C Meeting

Due to COVID restrictions the P&C are looking at an alternate way to conduct their meetings that are safe for all members. At present Heidi Plant has been busy exploring alternate spaces and platforms such as ZOOM to host our monthly meetings.

That said, there will be **no** July meeting.

It is our hope that by our next scheduled meeting date, which is Tuesday 18th August, all will be sorted.

Stay safe and remember to look after your health, including your wellbeing, over the coming weeks.

Liz Dudley

Principal

★ Gold & Silver Awards ★



★ Crazy Hair Day ★

