

### PADSTOW PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Segers Ave Padstow NSW 2211

## Newsletter

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### Remembrance Day 2017

Heather Kenny represented Padstow Park Public School at the recent Remembrance Day Service conducted at the Cenotarth at Padstow. The service was well represented by community members, who came out at 10:30am to honour our fallen and remember the ultimate sacrifice our service men and women made to make our country what it is today. Remembrance Day is a time to pause and reflect on making sure our relationships in families and with strangers are kind and friendly and that disputes are reconciled with grace and dignity instead of war or violence.







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# Principal's Report

### **Segers Road Crossing**

A concerned parent highlighted some reckless driving that is occurring in Segers Ave This parent mentioned drivers are performing U-turns over double yellow lines either on or very close to the raised crossing. This resulted in a near miss accident on Wednesday 14th November. If you are dropping off or picking up children in Segers Ave please obey the road rules and drive at 40km during school zone times. The penalty for this offence is \$335.00 and loss of 3 points on your license.

### Schools' Spectacular 2018

Schools' Spectacular is fast approaching. Our choir this year is performing in the main choir as well as the moving choir item. Mrs Taylor has been busy preparing the students for this wonderful opportunity. Schools' Spectacular creates performance opportunities for approx. 3000 students across NSW. If you would like to purchase tickets for this performance you can make an online purchase through ticketek. This year the performance is held at Qudos Area Homebush. Good luck Mrs Taylor and students! Chookas!!!

### **Symbio Excursion**

K-2 went to Symbio on the 9th November. I believe all students and staff had an amazing day looking at all the animals and other exhibits they have on offer at Symbio. A big thank you to all K-2 and SLSO staff that attended the excursion and to Mrs Hopper for the organisation of the day.

### **Banksia Road Public School**

Thank you to teaching members of staff who came to the aid of Banksia Road Public School. Our staff conducted themselves with the utmost dignity and compassion whilst supporting the staff and families from Banksia Road Public School. The community of Banksia Road Public School were much appreciative of our school and staff who gave up their time to support them.

### Kindergarten Orientation and Staffing

At this stage we have 56 kindergarten students for 2018. This means we will stay with our current set up of 13 mainstream classes and one IM class. Our numbers at present are fluctuating on a weekly basis. We hope to stabilise over the next few weeks. If you haven't yet returned the yellow planning note for 2018 please do so asap. Week 1 2018 students can expect to stay in their 2017 location. This allows the school to calculate the return of students and to settle student movement in classes.

### Transition to Stage 1 and 2

Transition workshops have been well received in the past. We are running these information workshops again for parents of students who are moving into Year 1 and Year 3. The information sessions/afternoons will present information on expectations, homework and home reading as well as helpful hints for making the transitions as smooth as possible into a new learning environment.

### **Presentation Day**

A note explaining Presentation Day has been sent home during this week. Sir Joseph Banks High School are excited to have our school on board and are looking forward to us using their facilities for our Presentation Day. They are going to ensure that their oval is open for off street parking. This will allow many more parents and visitors to attend our celebrations. We are looking forward to a successful day.

Lyndall Holden Relieving Principal

### Dates for your Diary from the Sentral

17 November Pudding Orders due PSSA Finals Seasons 3 SRC Speeches and Voting

22, 23, 24, 25 November Schools' Spectacular

23 November East Hills Boys HS Transition

> 28 November Last Scripture Lesson

**29 November** East Hills Boys HS Transition

**30 November** 9:30am P&C Christmas Stall 2pm Mrs Mollica's Assembly 3:30pm Mrs Mollica's Afternoon Tea

#### 1 December

9:30am Cultural Assembly P & C Farewell for Mrs Mollica

**4 December** 8-9:30am Thank you Breakfast

**5 December** Combined Scripture Lesson

High School Orientation Day (All) 6 December Pudding Orders Delivered

> Carols Night 7 December

9:30am 1/2Z Assembly

8 December 11am Presentation Day

Sir Joseph Banks High School Hall Reports Distributed

> **12 December** 6pm Year 6 Farewell

**13 December** K-2 Funhouse Mortdale

> **14 December** 3-6 Picnic Day

15 December 9:30am SRC Assembly Padstow Idol Last day of school for 2017

First Day 2018

Staff Return - 29 Jan

Students Years 1-6 — 30 Jan Kindergarten Best Start Dates 30th,31st and 2nd Feb

# **Music Performances**

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Students from our various Music Ensembles have represented Padstow Park P.S. at a number of events throughout Terms 3 and 4.

**Recorder Ensemble** students performed in the Combined Recorder Ensemble in the N.S.W. Public Schools Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

**Congratulations** Heather Kenny, Annabel Lau, Ethan Phillips, Dakota Whitley Ames, Haydn Roche, Tania Ma, Kaia Dennis and Luke Thompson.

**Choral students** performed in the Combined Choir of the Cantabile Festival of Music at the Sydney Opera House on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**Congratulations** Heather Kenny, Taya Margetts, Isabella Liang, Albien Borg, Ellah-Vy Mai, Nicolle Cai, Eman Chalabi and Melanie Grozdanovski.

Our **Festival Violin** students performed in the Combined Strings Ensemble in the N.S.W. Public Schools Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**Congratulations** Heather Kenny, Melanie Grozdanovski, Sarah Ong, Lylah Ong, Deidre Cheah, Ethan Phillips and Annabel Lau.

Heather Kenny also performed in the **N.S.W. Public Schools Recorder Orchestra** as an individual item at the Festival of Instrumental Music 2017. She had previously attended the Recorder Orchestra Camp earlier in the year.

### Congratulations Heather Kenny.

Three students who participated earlier in the year in the **Diverse Drumming Workshop** hosted by Padstow Park were selected to perform at the Operation Art opening at Olympic Park on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**Congratulations** Heather Kenny, Luke Thompson and Benjamin Windle.

Music students have been in rehearsal for **Schools Spectacular** which will be staged at QUDOS Bank Arena on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November and Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

**Congratulations** Heather Kenny, Melanie Grozdanovski, Ellah-Vy Mai, Taya Margetts, Isabella Liang, Ethan Phillips, Luke Thompson, Benjamin Khuu, Liam Ovington, Albien Borg, Lowenna Wong, Amelia Retegno and Dayna Marshall.



Kay Taylor

Music Teacher

# P &C News and Uniform Shop

### **Uniform Shop News**

As of Term 3 the uniform shop will be open on the following days: Monday from 8:45am till 9:45am

Thursday from 3pm till 3:45pm

### <u>Padstow Park Public School Uniform</u> <u>Suppliers</u>

Mue Panania Uniforms & Embroidery 34 Anderson Ave, Panania (02) 9771 0825

### School Locker Liverpool

Shop R20-R21, Liverpool Megacenta 2-20 Orange Grove Road (02) 8796 2100

Online orders available. See office for member card.

### Lowes Bankstown

Shop 209b, Bankstown Central(cnr North Terrace & Lady Cutler Ave)(02) 9790 1432

### **Claudine School wear**

23 President Ave, Caringbah NSW 2229

(02) 9526 2525

Great value summer and winter tunics. Phone orders and postage available.

### P&C Meeting

When: Tuesday 5 December 2017

Where: School Library

Time: 7pm

### **School Banking**

School banking is each Thursday morning in E block. If you would like to volunteer your time to help out with school banking please see the volunteers for details.

### What's Happening and Fundraisers

Just a reminder the book club committee cannot take cash orders for book club orders. All orders are completed online. If you need help please ask at the office.

The P&C will have holding a stall at Revesby Markets November 25th. Come down and support the school. There will be all three varieties available, Traditional, Gluten Free Traditional and Cranberry, Fig & Ginger. \*\*

Please remember to hand in your Living Fund raiser Christmas Card forms by Wednesday 29th November. Order form coming out soon.

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Ho ho ho, Christmas Stall is being held in H block on Thursday 30th November. Stall helpers and gift wrappers welcome.

## School News

### MRS MOLLICA'S RETIREMENT.

As you were aware Mrs Mollica will not be returning to Padstow Park as she will be retiring. We will be celebrating Mrs Mollica's many years of service to Public Education with two events.

The first is on **Thursday 30th November** with a school assembly from **2.00 pm**, followed by an afternoon tea for Mrs Mollica's family, friends and colleagues.

The second occasion will be a special parent afternoon tea run by the **P & C on Friday 1st December** from **2.30 – 4.30 pm**. This will be an opportunity for students and parents to catch up with Mrs Mollica and wish her well. More information on this event will follow in coming weeks. Please save the date. There will be a special book available to families at this afternoon tea to write messages for Mrs Mollica.

Any families that would like to contribute towards a special gift for Mrs Mollica, please place your contribution in a sealed envelope marked Mrs Mollica's Retirement and send it to the office. Please make sure the family name is included on the envelope.

A gift will be purchased on behalf of the students.

We look forward to seeing parents on Friday 1st December to help us celebrate.

Lynn Weldon & Nerida Hopper

## Ethics Classes at Padstow Park P.S



Ethics classes are an option for all NSW public school children (Kindy-Yr 6) as an alternative to scripture or supervised care. Interest in ethics classes is increasing however, without more volunteer Ethics Teachers some children will miss out.

Teaching children ethics is fun, challenging and very rewarding, get involved today!



### Ethic Classes at Padstow Park Public School

In 2018 we are proud to announce we will have an Ethics teacher for Kindergarten students who would like to attended Ethics classes during our scripture time allowance. We are seeking volunteers who would like to be trained in Ethics teaching for another grades 1-6. You don't have to have teaching experience as all training is provided free of charge. If you are interested please let the office know and we can help you get started.

Volunteer ethics teachers do not need a background in teaching or ethics, just a willingness to learn how to deliver classes.

### **School and Community News**



