



Kirrawee Koee



WEEK 8, TERM 3, 2018

Principal's Message

UNIFORM CONCERNS

After an overwhelming majority of the community voted to change the uniform in 2017, I am writing to clarify the school's expectations.

Our school uniform is an important expression of our PRIDE in ourselves as a school and one expect all students to be in correct uniform.

It was also agreed that we will allow a gradual phasing-in of the NEW UNIFORM. This meant that there will continue to be a 100% support over the next 2 and half yrs. for our "Old Uniform"

The reality is this is NOT happening. My observations are below.

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| *Pink shoes | *Fluro Jackets | *Green Jackets |
| *Trainer style shoes | *VANS | *Brand Jumpers |
| *Leggings | *Bike Pants | *Headbands |
| *Grey Hats | *Royal Hats | *Red Hats |
| *Brand Hats | *Black Hats | |

Kirrawee Public School has a uniform policy which is smart and identifies the students as part of our school community. Wearing a uniform also:

- Provides students from all backgrounds with a sense of belonging.
- enables us to recognize our students easily on the sports field and when we take our students on local excursions. For safety reasons we want our students to be highly visible and easily identifiable.



Most of our students wear the Kirrawee Public School uniform consistently.

However, students who do not, are causing growing concern. We also find many students have their correct school hat in the bag, but wear a commercial hat as the reason given to the school *“mum and dad allow me to wear this hat.”*

I am sure we all agree that the quality of relationships between school and students is of paramount importance. But when the school has to deal with students out of uniform each day, it causes unnecessary tension and frustration.

Some parents have expressed frustration about what appears to them to be, “school turning a blind eye” to students out of uniform.” Can I assure you that we try our best to consistently support the endorsed Kirrawee Public School uniform policy. For this policy to work effectively, **we need to work together to reinforce consistent messages and expectations.**

If you have any questions regarding the new uniform then please email the uniform shop at kpsuniformshop@gmail.com or please pop into the shop on **Wednesday as we are open from 2.30pm till 3.30pm.** (*managed by volunteers*). To accommodate families better, we now have a **direct ordering service.** Register with www.flexischools.com.au and place the order online. Once orders have been submitted it will be ready for pick-up at the school.

Please see the correct school uniform apparel and colours.



Week 1 July	23	24	25	26	27
2 July/Aug	30 * P&C meeting	31 * Athletics Carnival Waratah Oval	1	2	3
3 Aug	6 * Education Week	7 * Open Day	8	9 * Westfield performance * Dance Extravaganza	10
4 Aug	13 * Senior Choir/Dance full day rehearsal	14 Senior Choir/Dance evening performance	15	16 * Science Day	17 Junior Choir/Dance matinee
5 Aug	20 *Junior Choir/Dance Evening performance	21 * Book week * Book Fair/Dress up	22	23 * Public Speaking	24 Zone Athletics Carnival
6 Aug	27	28 * Interrelate	29	30 * Father's Day Stall	31
7 Sept	3 * K-2 Science Excursion *Parent-Teacher Interviews	4 *Parent-Teacher Interviews	5 *Parent -Teacher Interviews	6 * Mufti Day (lollydrive)	7
8 Sept	10 *Kinder Transition (parent Info)	11	12 "BUY A BALE DAY"	13 *Stage 3-Hazelhurst	14 *Summer PSSA (wk. 1)
9 Sept	17 * School Photo DAY *Public Speaking finals	18	19	20	21
10 Sept	24	25	26	27 * Gala Day (Yr. 6)	28 Last Day Term 3 Students return Monday 15 October



EARLY STAGE 1 REPORT

Kindergarten had a fantastic time at the Wollongong Science Museum, SCIENCE SPACE!



We watched an amazing show in the Planetarium, called "Perfect Little Planet" where we discovered facts about constellations, planets and our solar system. We had time to explore over 100 hands-on interactive exhibits which demonstrate science, engineering and technology in action. We saw dinosaurs, fossils, illusions, motors, electricity, tornadoes, bee hives and parachutes that shot up in the air!



We watched a great interactive Science show about mixtures. We saw some fantastic bubble tricks, a volcano made using vinegar and bicarbonate of soda and we mixed different coloured liquids, using food dye. We looked at the properties of Oobleck, which can turn from solid to liquid and back again. We saw a huge explosion using Cola and Mentos. Maybe you could try some of these experiments at home?

As you can see, it was a very exciting but tiring day!



Mrs Werner and Mrs Harris



STAGE 1 REPORT

Stage one have been very busy the last few weeks. In week 5 we held out Public Speaking final for stage one in the hall. Each class was represented and the students spoke well and tried very hard. Congratulations to Matthew Davey who won the Stage one competition and will be going on to compete at the district finals.



Last week we visited Wollongong Science centre and Planetarium. The students enjoyed exploring the museum and working out how all the exhibits worked. In the planetarium we got to see all the constellations in the night sky and then take a vacation to all the planets in our solar system. We decided that not many of them would make a good vacation spot. During the science show we mixed different substances to get a reaction. Just watch out if you mix coke and mentos! The excursion was very enjoyable for all.



**Mrs Parker, Mrs Newman, Mrs Oostdam and Miss Wallin
Stage 1 Teachers**

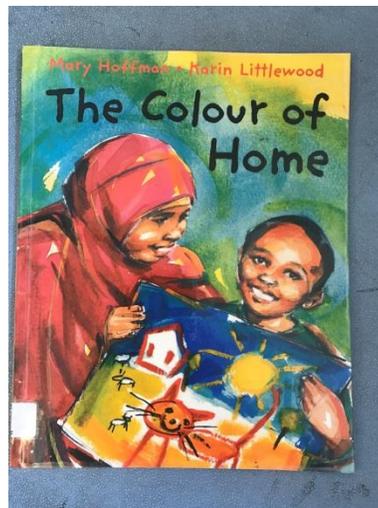
STAGE 2 REPORT

Firstly, we would like to begin by thanking you all for supporting the lolly drive last week. Lots and lots of lollies have been donated.

In English we have begun reading a new book called "colour of home". It looks at intercultural understanding and belonging. So far the children have been really engaged in the books this term. We have also been attending science lessons with Mrs Oostdam each fortnight. Last week the children conducted "o" wing experiments.

Stage 2 Teachers

Mrs Whicker & Mr Morgan



STAGE 3 REPORT

Firstly, thank you to all families for attending Parent-Teacher interviews last week where lots of wonderful conversations took place. It's great to continue the partnership between home and school. If you missed it, please do not hesitate to contact the school to arrange a chat with either Mr McFadden or Mr Mahoney.

A busy 'what's on' remains for Stage 3. The Year 6 Gala day will be held on Thursday, Term 3 Week 10. To prepare, Year 5 will be hosting a cake stall. Year 6 will be hosting various student created and led events. Notes to go out soon. All funds to go towards Year 6 fundraising efforts.

Narrabeen Expression of Interest forms were all received last week. A permission note will go out soon with a final cost and event details.

It's that time of the year (and stage of life) where Year 6 prepares for Year 7. High School transition days will take place soon.

Stage 3 will be heading to Hazelhurst Art Gallery this Thursday 13th. It will tie into our Natural Disaster unit and also allow us to explore current and permanent exhibitions held there. Can't wait!

Lastly, a huge congratulations to Yuol who placed first in high Jump at the recent Zone Athletics Carnival. A natural at the sport who will only excel with time. Good luck Yuol at Regionals!

Regards,

Stage 3 Teachers

Mr McFadden and Mr Mahoney

SUPPORT UNIT REPORT

As we approach the end of term 3, the Support Unit have been enthusiastically looking after our garden bed. We have had the pleasure of tasting our wonderful snow peas. Our vegetables and flowers are also growing beautifully.



Support Unit Teachers

SPELLING BEE NEWS

Last Friday 4 of our most amazing spellers represented KPS at the Regional Spelling Bee at Grays Point PS. In Stage 3 Jackson Damcevski and Holly Brown attended and in Stage 2 it was Brendan Seto and Nicholas Fuller who represented. Brendan got to Round 3 and Nicholas to Round 4! Congratulations! Well done to all those who had a go in our school competition last term and especially to our representatives who did KPS proud.

Mrs Beckman
Spelling Bee coordinator

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Next week at Sylvania Hts PS, the following students will represent KPS at the Network Public Speaking finals:

Early Stage 1: Flynt Nguyen

Stage 1: Matthew Davey

Stage 2: Mia Edwards

Stage 3: Harrison Melbourne

The students will present their prepared speeches as well as prepare an impromptu speech, for which they will have 5 minutes to prepare. Each component is worth 50%. We wish them the very best.

Mrs Beckman
Public Speaking coordinator

Tell Them From Me Surveys

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

The *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey

You may remember that our Years 4-6 students participated in a *Tell Them From Me* student survey in Term 1 this year. Asking students in years 4-6 to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students and parents to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours up until 26 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

The *Partners in Learning* parent feedback survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be available up until 26 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.

Our survey can be accessed at <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/kps>





Mobile Kids Pamper Parties

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BIKE TO THE BEACH

NEW STARTING POINT

Sunday 23 September 2018

Bring the family down for a great 5km cycle ride - from this year's **new starting point Shorebird Reserve** (corner Alexander Ave and Smith St) at Taren Point and ending at Wanda Beach.

- ☑ Supervised course along offroad paths: easy for all ages.
- ☑ You must bring your own bike.
- ☑ Bikes must be in good roadworthy condition (including bell).
- ☑ All riders **MUST WEAR** a helmet.
- ☑ Free registration 10am-12pm (at Shorebird Reserve).
- ☑ Course open 10am-1pm.
- ☑ Activities completed at 2pm.

Free bike safety checks at the start, courtesy Endeavour Cycles.

For registration form, route map and more information:
sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Bike2Beach

At Lucas Reserve, enjoy hot dogs, face painting, inflatable obstacle course, giant slide, meet Sharks players, giveaways and games!

Enquiries: Mark Stuart
 02 9710 0341
mstuart@ssc.nsw.gov.au

Wet weather: check online, or call
 9521 5690 or 9545 2345 after 9am Sat.



Presented by Sutherland Shire Council as part of NSW Bike Week.



Relating as Stepfamilies

This three-session program assists couples to manage the demands of life as a stepfamily.

- It will assist parents to:
- examine the challenges and positives of stepfamilies
 - examine personal beliefs and the effects of holding onto these
 - highlight the losses stepfamilies have suffered
 - recognise the importance of developing stepfamily rituals
 - compare different communication styles

Tuesdays, 6:30pm – 9:30pm
 16 October | 23 October | 30 October
 Cost: \$75 per couple
 Venue: Interrelate Caringbah
 Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd South, Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408



JOIN ST PATRICK'S FC SKILLS ACADEMY

MONDAY 8TH OCT TO MONDAY 10 DEC (10 WEEKS) AT FOREST ROAD OVAL

SESSIONS
 (based on playing age 2018):
 Tiny Tots (up from 4 yo): 5.00pm to 5.45pm
 U6 - U8: 5.00pm to 5.45pm
 U9 - UP: 6.00pm to 7.00pm

COST \$100
TINY TOTS = FREE!

BOOK YOUR PLACE
 Email Brett Rudzis (Club Coach)
clubcoach@stpatricksfc.com.au
 Please provide Name, Club, Age, Division, FFA No (if app), Mobile & Parent / Guardian's Name.

PAYMENT
 Pyment via EFTPOS, Cash or Cheque at first session.

BRING ALONG
 Boots, Shin Pads, Water Bottle, & Sunscreen






INFORMATION MORNING

Prospective Year 7 Students 2020

Tuesday 16 October 2018

at 9.15am in the School Auditorium

Sydney Technical High School, established in 1911, has a proud tradition of student achievement. The school prepares young men who are scholarly and socially responsible. Features of the school include languages, music, visual arts, debating, public speaking and sport. Teaching and learning programs feature higher order thinking and are recognised as best practice in gifted education. The school actively promotes an environment in which student welfare, tolerance of others and strong community values support each student reaching his potential.

Enrolments: Students seeking entrance into Year 7 must participate in selection procedures organised by the Department of Education. For further information contact the High Performing Students Unit on 1300 880 367 or email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au.

SYDNEY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

686 Forest Road Bexley 2207

www.sths.nsw.edu.au

Enquiries to the School: 9587 5899

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BURRANEER BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY

GALA DINNER

Cronulla Sutherland Leagues Club

Friday 14th September

7.00pm - 11.30pm

\$90 per ticket, \$900 per table of ten

Includes a 3 course meal, entertainment & commemorative gift.

Entertainment by Jellybean Jam

For ticket bookings visit www.trybooking.com/XBCM

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SCHOOL OPEN DAY

Saturday 15th September

10.00am - 2.00pm

Memorabilia displays, school tours, performances, community stalls, lunch and more. There will be something for everyone!

Katie Smith
Class of '96

Purchase a leaf on our permanent recognition tree to become a part of BBPS's history



**For more information visit
www.bbps125thanniversary.info**



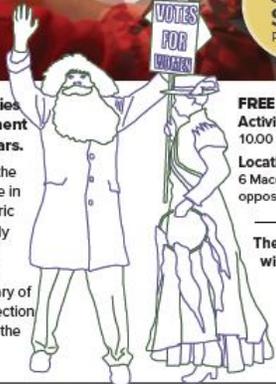


FAMILY FUN DAY
at the New South Wales Parliament
October School Holidays!
FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER
10 AM TO 3 PM

Sausage
Sizzle
\$3.00
per person

Free fun educational activities at Australia's oldest Parliament for children from 4 to 12 years.

Follow the children's trail; enter the guessing competition, participate in the arts and crafts; visit the historic legislative chambers places rarely open to the public. Engage with roving historical characters and celebrate the 100 year anniversary of women becoming eligible for election to parliament and admittance to the legal profession in NSW.



FREE ENTRY
Activities
10.00 am to 3.00 pm
Location
6 Macquarie Street –
opposite Martin Place

The public café
will be open.



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E: dps.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au
www.parliament.nsw.gov.au
Parliament of New South Wales,
6 Macquarie Street, Sydney

GROUP BOOKINGS
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PARENTING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

SUTHERLANDSHIRE

Linda Salem, a clinical psychologist with over 25 years of experience, speaks about how to guide your children in using internet technology in a way that is safe and healthy.

Monday 10 September | 6.30pm to 8pm
Sutherland Library
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/library

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LIBRARIES

SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

SATURDAY 29 SEPTEMBER TO SUNDAY 14 OCTOBER

Spring has sprung, the weather is warming up and school holidays are just a cartwheel away. We've got oodles of Council-run FUN for the kids these spring school holidays and you'll find all activities in one place. From bush walks to basketball, drama to dancing, painting to picnics, stories to swimming and everything in between.

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SUTHERLAND SHIRE LEISURE CENTRES | HAZELHURST ARTS CENTRE | VACATION CARE
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sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays

SUTHERLANDSHIRE

FAMILY DAY CARE CHILDCARE INFORMATION SESSIONS

Join us for a coffee, meet our Educators and learn how Sutherland Shire Council Family Day Care can meet your child's early education and care needs.

Saturday	20 Oct	9.30am	Gymea Bay Resource Centre 276A Gymea Bay Road, Gymea Bay
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REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE:
sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/careinfo

For enquiries: T 02 9710 0466 sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/careinfo

SUTHERLANDSHIRE
CHILDREN'S SERVICES



Important facts

- To enrol your child in primary or secondary school, please provide an immunisation certificate, either: an **AIR Immunisation History Statement** (for a child that is up to date, not up to date or can't be immunised for medical reasons or has natural immunity) OR an **AIR Immunisation History Form** (for a child on an approved catch-up schedule).
- If an approved immunisation certificate is **not** provided at enrolment, students can still be enrolled at school but they will be considered as unimmunised in the school's immunisation register.
- Students without an approved immunisation certificate and those who are unimmunised may be excluded from school if there is an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease at the school OR if they come into contact with a person with a vaccine preventable disease, even if there is no outbreak at the school.
- NSW Health works closely with schools to offer the vaccines recommended for adolescents in a school-based vaccination program. In 2018, human papillomavirus (HPV) and diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (dTpa) vaccines are being offered in Year 7 while Meningococcal ACWY vaccine is being offered in Years 10 and 11.

More information

Australian Immunisation Register

www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/services/medicare/australian-immunisation-register

NSW Health

www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation

NSW Health 'Save the Date to Vaccinate'

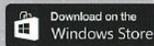
www.immunisation.health.nsw.gov.au

Australian Government Department of Health Immunise Australia Program

www.immunise.health.gov.au

Save the Date app

Download the handy SAVE THE DATE phone app or print a personalised schedule at immunisation.health.nsw.gov.au



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Primary and secondary school entry & immunisation

Parent information

From 1 April 2018, all school principals are required to request an immunisation certificate at enrolment.

While students can still be enrolled if an approved immunisation certificate is not provided, these children will be considered unimmunised and may be excluded from school if there is an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease at the school OR if they come into contact with a person with a vaccine preventable disease, even if there is no outbreak at the school.

Parents are encouraged to ensure that their children are up to date with their immunisations and to provide an immunisation certificate from the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) at enrolment, either:

- an AIR Immunisation History Statement OR
- an AIR Immunisation History Form

Why these changes have been made

These changes have been made to collect accurate information about children's immunisation status and to help manage disease outbreaks in schools and the community. Data show that there has been an increase in some vaccine preventable disease notifications in older children compared to younger children. Also, it is now easy for parents to access the immunisation records of older children on the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) which holds immunisation records given at any age*.

* Currently immunisations given in the School Vaccination Program are not sent to the AIR. Commencing in late 2018 school immunisation records will begin to be sent to the AIR. School vaccination records are not required for enrolment, however if you wish to obtain records for your child, contact your local public health unit on 1300 068 055

Why immunisation is important

Immunisation is the best way to protect your child from serious diseases. By immunising your child, you are protecting them and others in the community, especially those who are too young to be immunised or those that are not able to be immunised for medical reasons. The more people that immunise their children, the more we can control serious preventable diseases.

AIR Immunisation History Statement

The AIR records the immunisations given to children and sends parents an AIR Immunisation History Statement after their child has turned 4 years of age. This can be used for enrolment.

Parents can request a copy of their child's AIR Immunisation History Statement at any time (up to their child being 14 years of age):

- using their Medicare online account through myGov <https://my.gov.au/>
- using the Medicare Express Plus App www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/express-plus-mobile-apps
- calling the AIR General Enquiries Line on 1800 653 809

Children aged 14 years and over can request their own Immunisation History Statement from the AIR by using or creating their own Medicare online account through myGov <https://my.gov.au/>

Fully immunised children

Over 94% of children in NSW are fully immunised at 5 years of age and their AIR Immunisation History Statement will include the words "This child has received all vaccines required by 5 years of age" at the bottom of the page.

Children with medical contraindications or natural immunity

Children who cannot be immunised for medical reasons, or who have natural immunity, will still be recorded as "Up to date" on their AIR Immunisation History Statement if an AIR Medical Exemption Form has been completed by a GP/medical specialist and sent to the AIR. The medical exemption or natural immunity will be listed near the bottom of the Statement.

Children immunised overseas

Where vaccines have been given overseas and are not recorded on the AIR, the child's overseas records should be checked by a GP/nurse who will then transfer the information to the AIR. Parents should then request an updated AIR Immunisation History Statement to give to the school.

Children not fully immunised

For children who have not had all the recommended immunisations by 4 years of age, their AIR Immunisation History Statement will list the missing immunisations and the due dates at the bottom of the page. These children should be started on an approved catch-up schedule and an AIR Immunisation History Form completed by the GP/nurse and sent to the AIR. Parents can then provide a copy of the AIR Immunisation History Form to the school at enrolment.

Please be aware that students who have not had all the recommended immunisations for their age, or where no immunisation certificate has been provided, may need to stay at home during a disease outbreak. This is to protect the child and stop the spread of disease.

