

## Kirrawee Kooee



WEEK 4, TERM 4, 2018

## Principal's Message

At a recent P & C Meeting the possibility of "ETHICS CLASSES" was tabled. The focus group at this point are the *students who attend the NON-SCRIPTURE program*. **Program Summary**: K-2 focus on developing core skills such as listening to others, taking turns to speak and giving reasons. Stories, poems and rhymes prompt children to discuss ethical issues e.g. being kind to others. In years 3-6, ethics students develop their critical thinking and discussion-based skills. Ethics classes will run weekly during the school year at the same time as our current scripture program. A note will

#### Who will teach ETHICS?

Ethics classes are taught by trained volunteers who are often parents, grandparents or members of the broader community. Becoming an ethics coordinator or teacher will require an expression of interest from the community. Experience is not required, as comprehensive training and access to lesson material is provided. If parents/carers would like to know more about volunteering then go to: www.primaryethics.com.au

#### **Enrolments and non –returners**

Families are asked to:

(a) please inform the school if a student will not be returning to Kirrawee PS in 2019.

be sent home with the non-scripture students to gauge the interest capacity.

- (b) inform the school if a student will be starting late in 2019.
- (c) spread the news to known potential enrolments and encourage parents to submit an application for consideration

### Thank You (Selwyn Williams)



Week 1 October	15	16	17	18	19
	Swimming scheme	Swimming scheme	Swimming scheme	Swimming scheme	Swimming scheme
2 October	Swimming scheme	*SU-Reviews Swimming scheme	*Film By The Sea (Events Cinema)  Swimming scheme	*Treetops Visit  Swimming scheme	*Angel day Care visit  Swimming scheme
3 Oct/Nov	29	30	31	1	2
4 November	5	6 * PSSA,Band,SRC Etc. Photos	7 *Kindergarten 2019 Transition Day	8 * Stage 2 excursion *Angel Day Care visit	9 *Treetops Visit
5 November	* P&C meeting	13 *Head Office meeting at KPS (PDH/PE)	14	15	16
6 November	19	20	21	*CAPA Concert and Art Display	23
<b>7</b> November	26	27	28	29 * Kindergarten 2019 Trransition Day	30
8 December	3	4	5 *Support Unit Xmas Party	6 * Christmas Concert	7 *Best Start
9 December	* Kindergarten 2019 Parent info session 6.00- 7.00pm	11	* Presentation Day * Year 6 Farewell * Reports sent home	13	* Whole School Picnic Day
10 December	17 Stage 3 Narrabeen Camp	18 Stage 3 Narrabeen Camp	*Stage 3 Narrabeen Camp Last Day Term 3	20 * Staff Development Day	21 * Staff Development Day



## **EARLY STAGE 1 REPORT**







Kindergarten used their enquiry skills to think of a solution to the Gingerbread Man's problem of getting eaten by the fox at the end of the story! They decided that building a bridge over the river didn't actually solve the problem as the fox and all the people could just run over the bridge too and get the gingerbread man! So our clever kindy engineers designed and build bridges that would self-destruct after the gingerbread man had run across it. Super critical thinking and team work skills - well done everyone.

Mrs Harris and Mrs Werner Early Stage One teachers









## **STAGE 1 REPORT**

Many of our students enjoyed our swimming scheme at the start of term 4. They enjoyed walking to their lessons and improving their swimming skills.

Last week our students delivered their speech assessments during class. There were some interesting arguments presented on why lpads and other technologies should replace books at school.

Our classes have started using Minecraft Education to create buildings and maps. This helps our students improve their skills in position, mapping, area and volume as well as their technology skills.

Don't forget to save the date for our Christmas Concert on Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup> 2018. Thank you,

Mrs Parker, Mrs Newman, Mrs Oostdam and Miss Wallin Stage 1 teachers

## **STAGE 2 REPORT**

This week Stage two will be visiting Calmsley Hill Farm as part of Stage Two's Science/Geography unit 'Fur, Feathers and Leaves'. The students will be involved in a field study where they will be learning about the diversity of living things, how they affect each other, and the interdependence of living things and the environment. They will also be examining the importance of natural vegetation as well as sustainable practices. Hopefully the rain holds off!

During weeks three and four we have been focusing on multiplication and division during mathematics lessons. We encourage all students to be practising their times tables at home to increase fluency. We will begin learning our Christmas concert songs next week. We hope all of Stage Two will be able to join us in our end of year celebration on *Thursday* 6<sup>th</sup> December.

Patrick Morgan and Sarah Whicker Stage Two Teachers

## **STAGE 3 REPORT**

A busy term four continues in Stage Three! We are well and truly into our new science theme unit on the Solar System, looking at all the different planets within our *Solar System*, with an emphasis on Earth's place in the Solar System.

To pair with our learning objectives in science, we have been offered a fantastic opportunity to visit a space viewing night at the Green Point Observatory, Oyster Bay. Notes regarding this have been sent home. It is an optional excursion that will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November from 7:30-9pm. Numbers allowed for the viewing are limited, so please remember that places are given on a first in first served basis.

All necessary deposits for Narrabeen have now been received, thank you. Further instalments should now be trickling in. Please remember that final payment is due by November 30th, Friday week 7. If you have not been online to register your student for camp and enter their medical and emergency details, please remember to do this. This is due by no later than November 26<sup>th</sup>. The website link to go to and the information you will require is;

https://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/facilities/medicalandconsentform

Booking Number **532008**Booking Start Date **17/12/2018**Booking Venue **Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation** 

Kind Regards, Mr McFadden and Mr Mahoney (Stage 3 Teachers)



## **SUPPORT UNIT REPORT**

During the last term of each year our Year 6 students visit their new high school. Such a big change for them (and for parents too!) We are so proud of how well they participate and behave during these visits. Many students have friends already at the schools, which helps to make a smooth and successful transition.

Thank you to parents for your ongoing support and for assisting in transporting students Support Unit teachers

## **SWIM SCHEME**

Swim scheme has been a great success! The students have learnt water safety skills to assist them in their daily lives as well as learn new swimming techniques in a fun and safe environment. We are very lucky to live in a country where water is easily accessible and water sports are so popular. However this makes the need for an understanding of water safety and the ability to swim very important. We encourage KPS students to be apart of next year's Swim Scheme program.











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Please note: This is an adults only event



The next Riverview Market is this Sunday at Como Public School.

This is the biggest market of the year as the Kindy and 5/6 are holding a mini fete within the markets.

Come along and join us! 9.00am-3.00pm

**SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 18** 





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#### **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.

## 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 OD if they come into

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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 065 055

#### More information

#### Australian Immunisation Register

www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/ services/medicare/australian-immunisationregister

#### **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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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.

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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.

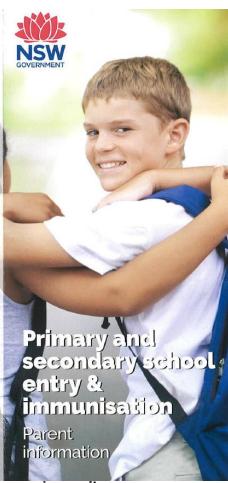
Parents can request a copy of their child's AIR Immunisation History Statement at any time (up to their child being 14 years of age):

- 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.



#### 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

#### 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.



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