



Villawood North Public School

Nurturing, Innovative and Dedicated

Term 2 Week 5 2018

Calendar

What's On

Term 2 Week 5

Gymnastics Program- Wednesday 30th May

Cross Country- Tuesday 29th May

Zone Cross Country- Thursday 31st May

Term 2 Week 6

Gymnastics Program- Wednesday 6th June

Community Morning Tea- Wednesday 6th June 9am-10am

Term 2 Week 7

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday Monday 11th June

Gymnastics- Wednesday 13th June

Term 2 Week 8

Gymnastics Program- Wednesday 20th June

Community Morning Tea Wednesday 20th June- 9am-10am

Stage One Excursion- Rouse Hill House and Farm- Friday 22nd June

Term 2 Week 9

Gymnastics Program- Wednesday 27th June

Combined Choir Rehearsal Gillawarna Festival- Wednesday 27th June

Year 5 Tree Tops Excursion- Tuesday 26th June

Term 2 Week 10

Stage Three Excursion to Rouse Hill House and Farm Monday 2nd July

Community Morning Tea- Wednesday 4th July 9am-10am

Principal's Message

Welcome to Term 2

Happy Ramadan and Reconciliation Week to our families celebrating. It is with great pleasure that I have been chosen to work with the staff, students and community at Villawood North PS. Over the past two weeks I have observed a staff that want to excel, students that have a love for learning and a community that work in partnership with the school. I have felt most welcomed by students, parents and teachers.

Cross Country

Our Cross Country is being held on Tuesday 29th May. This date was selected last term during school planning. I am aware of the clash with Ramadan and the implications for those children. Unfortunately our carnival must be held before the Zone Cross Country, which is scheduled for Thursday 31st May at Adams Park. Staff will be extra vigilant with first aid to keep all our students safe. If your child requires Ventolin, please ensure it is with them at school for the cross country.

Meeting our new Director of Auburn



With the restructure of the Department of Education our school is within the Auburn Directorate. Our new Director is Mr John Kennedy (pictured above). Mr Kennedy visited VNPS on Friday and was impressed with Kindergarten writing, our friendly students and welcoming staff. He will be attending our Parent Morning Tea Wednesday 4th July, please join us.
Kristy Bentley

Early Stage One

It has been an exciting and busy term in Kindergarten.

Students went on their first excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm. They learnt about the different kinds of products that come from a farm and even had the chance to milk a cow! It was a great day!

Kindergarten have been enjoying their Gymnastics lessons every Wednesday. During the lessons, students have been learning how to listen carefully to instructions and develop their movement skills on the fantastic equipment. We are so proud of their efforts!

This term in PDHPE, Kindergarten are learning about the kinds of foods that keep us healthy. Students will even have the task of designing and making a healthy snack with their friends. To support their learning, we encourage you to talk to your children about the importance of eating nutritious foods like fresh fruit and vegetables. Also, encourage them to choose and pack healthy foods for their own lunchboxes.

It is a pleasure coming to school and teaching Kindergarten each day. We are so pleased with their progress and thank you for your continued support!

Kindergarten Teachers



Stage One

This term as part of our History unit, Stage One is investigating what schools were like in the past and comparing them to the schools of today. We will be going on an excursion to Rouse Hill House and Farm on Friday 22nd June. An excursion note will be sent home this week.

At the moment, our teachers are working hard to ensure that Semester One student reports are written with great care. Parent Teacher interviews will commence at the end of term.

There are a few changes with Stage One teachers this term. I would like to welcome Ms Khan to our Stage One team. Ms Khan has been working on D1 and will be there for the remainder of Term 2 while I relieve Mrs Tanevski's role as Instructional Leader. Mrs Singh will be going on maternity leave at the end of Week 7. On behalf of the Stage One team, I would like to wish Mrs Singh all the best with her motherhood journey, and for the safe arrival of her new bundle of joy. Take care and best wishes for the future. We will miss you!

Miss Danh

Below: Photos of our Stage One students enjoying the Term 2 Gymnastics Program.



Stage Two

Stage 2 Units of work for this term cover a variety of topics.

Our Literacy Unit is based on the original Flat Stanley book which was written by Jeff Brown. This short novel is an adventure story about a young boy who becomes flattened when a notice board falls on him through the night.

Flat Stanley has a variety of adventures including being sent to America, through the post, in an envelope.

The students are enjoying hearing about the types of things Stanley can do now that he has been flattened by the bulletin board which fell on him. In Science we are doing a unit called Material World. This unit examines the physical properties of different materials such as paper, plastics and metals.

Our Geography unit is called Features of Australia. Students are investigating the landscape of Australia, its' landmarks, states and territories using maps and graphs.

During this past week, students in Year 3 sat NAPLAN for the first time. Ms Vannucci and I were so impressed by the perseverance shown by our students. They all displayed a calm and mature attitude towards the four assessments and we congratulate them on their efforts.

Ms Fayle

Stage Three

On the Monday 14th May 2018, Stage 3 visited the Art Gallery of New South Wales as part of this term's Literacy Unit 'Dot and the Kangaroo' and History unit 'Australian Colonisation'.

As an exciting start to the term, Stage 3 were provided a tour by an art gallery guide through the Australian Indigenous art collection and even had the opportunity to create their very own drawings and illustrations using Australian Indigenous art practices!

Stage 3 were then treated to a tour through the 21st Biennale of Sydney and Japanese art

collections where they viewed different modern artworks, create interactive lotus flowers and 'control' a chimpanzee. From the excursion, many students had lots of fun creating and exploring artworks and developed an appreciation for the effort that Australian Indigenous and other artists put in their work.

As the term progresses, Year 5 and 6 will be creating a play on an Australian explorer from their very own research as well as a short video using the Library's green screen.

The Premier's Reading Challenge has already begun at Villawood North. The challenge aims to encourage all students to develop a love for reading for leisure and pleasure. Stage 3 have been diligently logging in all the books they have read in class and during Library time. The challenge ends on the 31st August.

Miss Dang
D5 Classroom Teacher



Community Morning Tea

Dear Parents / Caregivers,
Welcome back to Term 2! We hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable break. Thank you Mrs Bentley for joining our Parents Morning Tea. It was lovely to meet and chat with you.

As you are aware, our Community Morning Tea / Coffee will continue as usual this term **every fortnight on Wednesday at VNPS Computer Room as the Community Room from 9:00am – 10:00am**. Please have a look at the following dates below for information about our Morning Tea and interesting workshops, so that you can add it onto your calendar:

Wednesday 06th June, 2018:

Supporting Learning Needs in The Classroom
Presentation Ms J. Mavlian (Learning & Support Teacher at VNPS)

Wednesday 20th June, 2018:

Workshop – Role of The Parents in Modern Society Presentation
Quang Tran & Emil Shiba (Uniting Burnside Multicultural Family Centre)

Wednesday 04th July, 2018: End of Term Celebration

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 9724 1423 or myself on 0414 892 095.

Mrs L. Phan
Community Liaison Officer



Sporting Success



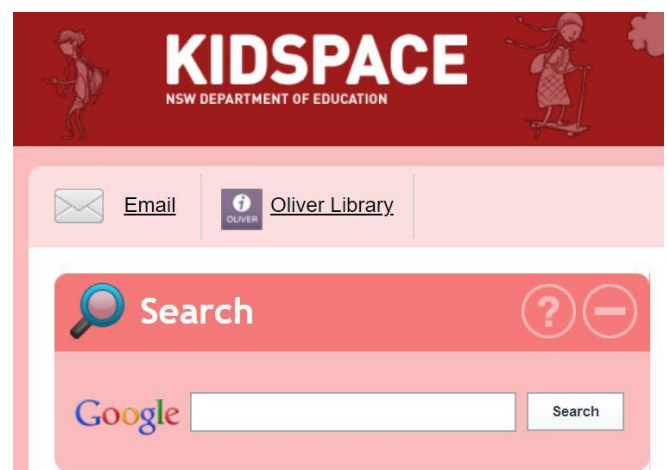
Winners are grinners! Congratulations, we are so proud of you!

Congratulations to our PSSA senior netball team! They played in the grand final on Friday the 18th of May against Chester Hill North Public School. Our captain, Eva, led the team to a victorious win with a final score of 25-10. VNPS is so proud of your teamwork, your sportsmanship and your love for the game. Well done, girls!

Miss Hohnwald

How to access your child's student portal

Use any device that has internet access.
Open a browser of your choice.
Type in: <https://education.nsw.gov.au>
Your child's username and password



Library News

Book Club

The last day to order for Book Club is Friday 8th June. Please ensure that you have your name on the order form and the correct money placed in an envelope. All book club money is processed at the front office.

Premier's Reading Challenge

This year all students are participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC).

The PRC challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for pleasure and knowledge. The challenge enables students to experience a range of quality literature at their reading level. We encourage all students to read more and to read widely.

The Challenge opened in March and closes on August 31st. Students in Years 3-6 must enter the books they have read on their online reading record. They must read a total of 20 books to complete the challenge. This year, the first class to have all students completing the challenge will win a PIZZA PARTY for their class!

Teachers in K-2 will keep a reading log of books read aloud in classes. All students who complete the challenge will receive a certificate.

Ms. Nguyen



Canteen News



"A Winter's Day"

Special Lunch Day

To Celebrate a Winter Day at your School Canteen we would like to offer you the chance to PRE-PURCHASE a Lunch Pack.

AVAILABLE LUNCHES

ON **THURSDAY 21st JUNE** AND NEED TO BE PRE-ORDERED

PLEASE FINALISE ORDERS

BY **TUESDAY 19th JUNE** AT YOUR CANTEEN

THE FOLLOWING CHOICES ARE AVAILABLE:

PACK 1	PACK 2	PACK 3 (100% healthy option)
Beef or Chicken Hot Dog	Baked Chicken Nuggets (4)	Ham, Cheese, Tomato or Salad Sandwich
Disney Drink	Disney Drink	Popper Juice or Water 350ml
Popcorn	Popcorn	Popcorn
Homemade Mini Muffin	Sumo Cookies	Fruit

ALL FOR THE FANTASTIC PRICE OF \$6.50

PLEASE TEAR OFF AND RETURN TO THE CANTEEN WITH CORRECT MONEY

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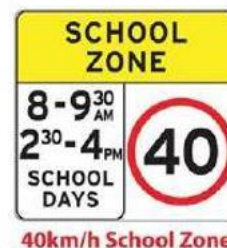
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MONEY ENCLOSED: _____

Road Safety

**Kids look to you
to keep them safe...**

Know the signs.
Know the rules.



The 40km/h School Zone speed limit must be observed during school zone operating times.

No Stopping Zones

Stopping is not permitted at any time.



No Parking Zones

Drivers may drop off or pick up children during the times shown. The maximum stopping time is 2 minutes. The driver must remain within 3 metres of the vehicle.