

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 3

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WEEK 3 REMINDERS

- **Science Challenge entries - Tuesday**
- **P&C Food Day - Wednesday**
- **Education Week: assembly, open classrooms, morning tea – Thursday at 9:15am**
- **School Tour – Friday at 9:30am**
- **Stage 3 Excursion notes due**
- **Stage 1 Excursion notes due**
- **Kindergarten Excursion notes due**



Yarn Up

YarnUp is a public speaking program run for Stage 3 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. It aims to develop the students' public speaking, debating and impromptu speaking skills. Last Friday,

Chelsea (Yr 5) and Bryce (Yr 6) attended NSW Parliament House to present their speeches in front of a large audience. Chelsea and Bryce did a wonderful job and should be proud of their efforts.

Ed. week
Aug 6 - '18
Aug 10

Today's schools - creating tomorrow's world

Education Week

This week is Education Week. Education Week provides an opportunity to highlight the achievements of public education

and local schools, putting the spotlight on students, educators and school communities. The theme for Education Week 2018 is 'Today's schools – creating tomorrow's world.' The way that public schools are future-proofing their students to succeed in the 21st century will be the focus of Education Week 2018.

Matraville Public School invites parents and carers to join us to celebrate Education Week with a special assembly, open classrooms and morning tea on Thursday morning. The band and choir will perform at the assembly which will begin at 9:15am. Our Science Challenge winners will also be announced! Parents and carers are then invited to visit their child's classroom to see some learning in action. The P&C will then provide morning tea for all parents and carers. We look forward to seeing you there!



NED Incursion

Last Tuesday, all students participated in a free incursion where students went on a journey to Kenya with the NED's Kindness Adventure. NED encourages a positive and caring school environment and explores the satisfaction that takes place when

people choose to show kindness, respect and acceptance. Students and teachers enjoyed the show, and spoke very positively about the messages they learned about. Some students have purchased handcrafted Kenyan items such as bracelets, bag tags, necklaces, rings and pencil cases, with the money raised going towards funding a new water well that will benefit hundreds of families in Kenya.

TERM 3 CALENDAR – 2018

WEEK 3 - EDUCATION WEEK

Wednesday 8 August	P&C Food Day - chicken wings
Thursday 9 August	Education Week Assembly, Open Classrooms, Morning Tea at 9:15am
Friday 10 August	School Tour at 9:30am PSSA Round 10: League Jnr V Sth Coogee/ Snr v Chifley, Netball A v Botany /B v Sth Coogee

WEEK 4

Monday 13 August	Stage 3 Excursion
Tuesday 14 August	ICAS Maths test
Wednesday 15 August	Stage 1 Excursion
Friday 17 August	Stewart House Bag Collection



NAIDOC Week

Last Monday, Matraville Public School celebrated NAIDOC Week. The theme for NAIDOC Week 2018 is 'Because of her – we can.' Students rotated

through a range of activities based around Aboriginal art, drawing, dancing, writing and beadmaking. The students engaged in each of the activities and developed their knowledge of the culture. In the afternoon we held a special assembly to celebrate NAIDOC as a school. At this assembly we farewelled Auntie Maxine.

Hot Chocolate Day

Thank you to the P&C for holding a Hot Chocolate Day on Friday. The students enjoyed a hot cup of chocolate to warm them up at recess time.

1:2:1

Matraville Public School and the ABCN (Australian Business and Community Network) are participating in the 1:2:1 Numeracy Mentoring Program again in 2018. This program will provide selected Year 1 students with extra opportunities to develop their numeracy skills. The 1:2:1 Mentoring Program involves men and women who work at the company, Stockland, who have been trained to mentor children in numeracy. They will attend the school once a week throughout the term.

Attendance

The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age regularly attend school.

Student attendance is monitored regularly at Matraville Public School. Students who have a high number of absences from school, several unjustified absences, or specific patterns of absence (e.g. regular Mondays or Fridays of non-attendance) will be identified. Parents/carers of these students will be contacted and a meeting arranged to discuss the matter.

Late Arrival/Early Leave

If your child arrives late to school, parents/carers must accompany them to the school office to sign them in. Please do not drop your child off at the gate to make their own way to the office. If collecting your child early for an appointment, please visit the school office to sign them out. The office staff will then contact the classroom to ask the child to come and meet you at the Office.

Lost Property

There are many items, including lunch boxes, hats and jumpers, in the Lost Property basket in the Office. If your child is missing any of these items, please visit the First Aid Room in the Office to look for them. Items that are not collected within the next week will be donated to charity. Please ensure you label your child's belongings so that they can be returned to them if left on the playground.

P&C

Congratulations to Susan Pappas who was elected as the Secretary for the P&C in 2018. The Secretary position was not filled at the AGM, and we are grateful to Susan for accepting this position. P&C meetings are held on the last Friday of each month, from 9:15am in the Community Room. All parents and carers are invited to attend. The next meeting will be held on Friday 31 August.

Congratulations to students who received a merit award last week:

KSC	Raffi, Lydia, Jared
K/1L	Emilia, Erfan, Kenzo
1R	Demir, Zoe, Indiana
2L	Liam, Jayden, Ayezha
2/3N	Corey, Berna, Zachery
3S	Mabrur, Alysha, Masturat
4/5F	Eire, Declan, Sophie
5KM	Abby, Nour, Teariki
6U	Raisha, Ella, Drew

Dental Health Week

6-12 August



La Perouse Dental Clinic is holding a BBQ and GAMES Day

**Thursday 9 August
3-5pm**

Get your FREE mouthguard fitted for KNOCKOUT / Kids in Care Cup



Souths Cares Rabbitohs will be there!



Fun and games with the Koori trainer



FREE dental giveaways

Book a dental checkup for the whole family Phone: 83474800

La Perouse Community Health Centre
1 Elaroo Avenue La Perouse

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DRAMA ACADEMY

Enrolling NOW

Drama Develops Kids

For the past 30 years our self-development drama programme has been helping children (5-17 years) with their creativity, confidence and communication skills. Using fun, creative & educational activities our classes cover speech & language development, improvisations, mime, scripts, drama games, dress ups & lots more fun stuff.

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