



MATRAVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

30 January 2019

Term 1 Week 1

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Welcome Back for 2019!

Welcome back to all students and their families for the 2019 school year. A warm welcome to our new Kindergarten students and a number of new students across Years 1-6. We are very pleased to welcome a number of new families into the Matraville Public School community, and look forward to working together to provide a quality education for your children.

I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday break. Our students returned to school today with enthusiasm and happiness, and were eager to share stories of their adventures over the holidays. Many students were excited to begin their learning in this new school year.

Today, students returned to their 2018 classes. New classes for 2019 will be formed over the coming days, once our student numbers for the year have been confirmed.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome back Mrs Diane Leondis, our school administration manager. Mrs Leondis has been on leave for the past two years and has returned to the office this term. She will work Mondays and Tuesdays and is looking forward to engaging with our community again.

Welcome To Our Kindergarten Students!

We are excited to welcome our newest group of Kindergarten students and wish them all the very best as they grow and learn at Matraville Public School. Today, our Kindergarten students attended school to complete their Best Start Literacy and Numeracy Assessments. Their first official day at 'big school' will be on Thursday 31 January. Kindergarten students will finish school from 2:30pm for Weeks 1 and 2 (until Friday 8 February).

Our P&C will be holding a "Welcome Morning Tea" on Thursday 31 January at 9.15am in the Library, for all new families at the school and all Kindergarten parents and carers. Our P&C would love to see you come along to the morning tea, even if it is just for a few minutes to meet and greet each other.

Uniform

At Matraville Public School, we take pride in wearing our school uniform. Please ensure your child wears the correct school uniform each day, including black shoes and a school hat. All uniform items can be purchased from Wylie's Schoolwear (629 Anzac Parade, Maroubra).

Uniform items may also be purchased online or by completing an order form at the school office, and will be delivered to the school each week.

GIRLS – Summer Uniform

- Bottle green culottes or shorts
- White polo shirt OR
- Green and white check school dress
- Black shoes and white socks
- Bottle green wide brimmed sun hat
- If leggings or tights are to be worn under the dress or culottes, they should be bottle green or white.

BOYS – Summer Uniform

- Bottle green shorts
- White polo shirt
- Black shoes and white socks
- Bottle green wide brimmed sun hat

No Nuts

We currently have a number of students who are severely allergic to nuts. In order to keep all of our students safe and healthy, we ask that you do not send nuts or nut products to school with your child. This includes peanut butter, Nutella and muesli bars that contain nuts. Even slight contact with these products can cause a life threatening reaction in some children with these allergies. We thank you for your cooperation.

TERM 1 CALENDAR – 2019

WEEK 1

Wednesday 30 January	Students return - Term 1 2019 Best Start for Kindergarten
Thursday 31 January	Kindergarten's first day Kindy Welcome Morning Tea 9:15am

WEEK 3

Wednesday 13 February	Meet the Teacher
Thursday 14 February	Band starts 8:00am
Friday 15 February	P&C Meeting at 9:15am
Saturday 16 February	Bunnings BBQ

WEEK 4

Monday 18 February	3-6 Swimming Carnival at Botany Pool
Friday 22 February	PSSA - Round 1

Budgeting for 2019

This week, your child will bring home a number of notes requesting payment for text books, voluntary school contribution, swimming carnival and 3-6 sport. We are aware that a significant amount of money is being requested at the beginning of the year and that this can put pressure on family budgets. If you are experiencing difficulty and require a payment plan, please visit the school office to arrange one. Confidentiality is maintained at all times.

Inner Sydney High School – Principal and Catchment

The new Inner Sydney High School is scheduled to open Day 1, Term 1 2020 for Year 7 students.

The Principal, Ms Robyn Matthews (previously the Principal of South Sydney High School) has recently been appointed and the project is now ready to announce the catchment area for the new school.

If you have a child in Year 6 in 2019, he/she may be eligible to enrol into the Inner Sydney High School for Year 7 in 2020. A student is able to enrol into the Inner Sydney High School as an in-area student if their permanent and principal place of residence is located in the school's designated catchment area. Enrolments will be undertaken in accordance with the NSW Department of Education's guidelines and procedures.

You can find out more about this exciting new high school and Ms Matthews at the School Infrastructure website.

Safety Reminders

- A teacher will be on duty in the playground from 8:30am each morning. If you require care for your child prior to 8:30am, please contact TeamKids Out of School Hours Care Service.
- If collecting your child from the Bunnerong Rd entrance, please obey the parking signs and remain with your car. Please do not double park while waiting for your child.
- Do not enter or park in the school carpark or across school driveways.
- Students should not bring valuables to school. The school takes no responsibility for lost or damaged items.
- No children are permitted on the play equipment before or after school.
- Due to the busy roads surrounding our school, students should not ride bikes or scooters to or from school. If your child is required to ride to school, please make an appointment with Ms Hoskins to discuss. Please be aware there are no safe storage spaces for bikes or scooters on school grounds.
- If a student is required to bring a mobile phone or electronic device to school, it is to remain in their school bag or at the school office from the time they arrive at school until their departure at 3:00pm. The device must be switched to silent mode and is not to be used during the school day. Smart watches with phone call and text capabilities are not permitted to be used during the school day.

TeamKids Before and After School Care Enrolment – NOW OPEN!

Before and After School Care will be available through TeamKids at Matraville Public School this term. Registrations are now open and can be made for regular or casual days. Please follow the steps below to enrol:

1. Visit the MyGov website and register for the Child Care subsidy - <http://www.mygov.com.au>
2. Visit the TeamKids website to create an account for your child and to book them in - www.teamkids.com.au

If you require assistance in registering your child, please visit the Community Room to speak with Emily, the Director of the service. If you are unable to make it in to the service, please call Emily on 0487 880 013 if you have any questions.

Summer 2018/2019 Vacation Care

Over at Team Kids we had an amazing vacation care that was filled with lots of fun incursions, excursions and in-house days. It was really great to see many new children at the service. We are very excited to be meeting lots of new faces that will continue to stay on with us here for Before & After care.


We look forward to starting up once again this term and working closely with all of the children and families. We hope everybody had a relaxing break.

If you do have any queries about our service please contact me on the details below.

We hope the children enjoy their first week back, and good luck to all the new Kindergarten children!

Thanks,

Emily Trajkovski – Director of Service TEAMKIDS



Contact Details

Service Mobile: 0487 880 013
 Service Email: matravilleps@teamkids.com.au
 Office Phone: 1300035000
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www.teamkids.com.au

2019 BEFORE AND AFTER CARE BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN.

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be held on Friday 15 February at 9:15am in the Community Room. All parents and carers are encouraged to attend the P&C meetings held each month. This is a great opportunity for you to meet other parents, hear about the school and have your say. If you have any questions please contact the P&C executive (email: matravillepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au). New members are always welcome!

Bunnings BBQ

The first event that will be hosted by the P&C in 2019 will be a Bunnings BBQ on Saturday 16 February 2019. A note will be sent home this week requesting volunteers to assist on the day. Please complete the form and return to school if you are able to spare an hour or two to assist on the day.