

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 8

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## WEEK 8 REMINDERS

- **Tuesday Year 7 2020 High School forms due**
- **Wednesday - Milkshake Day – \$3**
- **Thursday – Harmony Day – wear orange**
- **Return school photo money**
- **Easter Raffle donations to the office**
- **Friday – P&C AGM 9:15am; PSSA sport**

## This week's expected respectful behaviours are:

- Tell the truth
- Be fair to others

## Milkshake Day

This Wednesday, the P&C will be holding a Milkshake Day at recess time. Chocolate, Vanilla or Strawberry milkshakes will be available for students to buy for \$3 from the Canteen. Milkshakes will be made from either Brookdale or Woolworths Essentials flavoured topping, full cream milk and Pauls ice-cream. There will also be the option of purchasing a milkshake made with So Good milk and ice-cream for those with lactose intolerances. Please send the correct money to school with your child on Wednesday if you would like them to purchase a milkshake.



## Harmony Day

This week we will be celebrating Harmony Week, in recognition of the twentieth anniversary of Harmony Day in Australia. Harmony Day is celebrated each year on 21 March, the United Nations' International Day for the elimination of racial discrimination. Harmony Week is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians. During the week, students will participate in Harmony Day activities in their classrooms, based around the theme of "Everyone belongs".

The week's activities will culminate on Thursday, with a special luncheon at 1:10 pm for parents and guests in the Bush Tucker Garden, followed by a Harmony Day assembly featuring student performances, to be held in the school hall from 2:00pm.

Students are asked to come in their traditional cultural dress or wear orange, the colour symbolising Harmony Day.

We hope you will be able to come and join in the festivities!

## ANZAC Care Packages

As ANZAC Day fast approaches, now is a time for all Australians to support our current deployed personnel. By donating non-perishable food and personal hygiene items, we are able to create and send 'Care Packages' to our serving troops.

Matraville Public School will be collecting non-perishable food items and personal hygiene items to go towards our Care Packages which will support our men and women who are serving overseas in the Australian Defence Force. If you are able to assist by sending items to contribute to a Care Package, please send to school by Monday 8 April 2019.

## TERM 1 CALENDAR – 2019

WEEK 8	
Wednesday 20 March	Milkshake Day
Thursday 21 March	Harmony Day - lunch 1:10pm, Assembly 2:00pm
Friday 22 March	P&C AGM 9:15am PSSA - Round 5 - Softball v Pagewood at Heffron Park; League Tag at Heffron Pk Jnr 10:00am Snr 10:40am Snr MPS 2 v Gard. Rd 2 Snr MPS 1 v Mar Jnct 1 Jnr MPS 2 v Gard Rd 2 Jnr MPS 1 v Mar Jnct
Saturday 23 March	Election Day P&C BBQ
WEEK 9	
Monday 25 March	School Photo Day
Tuesday 26 March	Stewart House bag collection day
Friday 29 March	PSSA Round 6
WEEK 10	
Monday 1 April	P&C Food Day Nachos order due
Tuesday 2 April	Parent Teacher Interviews
Wednesday 3 April	Parent Teacher Interviews
Thursday 4 April	P&C Food Day - Nachos
Friday 5 April	PSSA Round 7
WEEK 11	
Wednesday 10 April	3-6 Cross Country Carnival
Thursday 11 April	ANZAC Assembly
Friday 12 April	Easter Hat Parade and Raffle PSSA Round 8 Last day of term

## Road Safety

The safety of our students and community is extremely important to us. Please be careful when walking to and from school each day. Some tips to remember to ensure safety include:

### 1. Be alert and aware

Take note of the dangers you come across on your walk and bring them to your child's attention. Point out dangers, such as vehicles coming out of driveways. Talk to your child about being alert in a road environment.

### 2. Hold hands

When on the footpath, at a crossing or in a car park, always hold your child's hand. It is advised to do this up to the age of at least 8 years old and closely supervise until at least the age of 10.

### 3. Choose a safe crossing

Lead by example and choose a safe place to cross the road. Explain why it is the safest place to cross. Your child watches everything you do, so if you cross at the crossing they will too.

### 4. Stop, Look, Listen, Think every time you cross the road

Discuss this important road safety message. STOP! one step back from the kerb. LOOK! continuously both ways. LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic. THINK! whether it is safe to cross.

Today, families will receive a copy of Bayside Council's Road Rules Reminders. Please note that there has been an update to the fine and demerit points for offences related to pedestrian crossings & children's crossings. The fine for these offences now exceeds \$561 + 4 demerit points.

## Easter Donations

On Friday 12 April, the P&C will be holding an Easter Raffle at the conclusion of the Easter Hat Parade. The P&C are asking for donations of eggs, toys, books etc to make up hampers to use as prizes. If you are able to assist, please drop your donation into the bucket in the office.

Your child will have received a raffle ticket booklet at school that they can sell to family or friends. Raffle tickets prices are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Please return money and raffle ticket stubs, as well as any unsold tickets, to your class teacher.

## School Photos

Our school photos will be taken next Monday 25 March. Please complete the details on the school photo envelope and return to school this week. Envelopes are individualised for each student, so please return the correct envelope to your child's class teacher. All students will have their photo taken on the day, regardless of whether they will be ordering a photo package.

All students MUST wear correct uniform, including white polo shirt with logo and green shorts or checked tunic, and black shoes and white socks. No jumpers will be worn when the photographs are taken.

Families also received an envelope regarding sibling photos. Only siblings who return the envelope prior to photo day will have their sibling photo taken.

If you require an envelope to order sibling photos please collect one from the office.

## Election BBQ

On Saturday 23 March, voting for the NSW State Election will take place in the Matraville Public School hall. On this day, the P&C will be holding a BBQ to raise money for the school. If you are able to assist, please complete the volunteer form sent home with your child last week and return to school as soon as possible.

## Stewart House Bags

Each student has received a bag for the Stewart House Clothing Appeal. This is a good opportunity to go through your wardrobes and donate unwanted clothes to charity. Bags should be returned to school by Tuesday 26 March and placed at the bottom of the stairs under the Stage 3 classrooms. Thank you for your support.

### Congratulations to students who received a merit award in Week 7:

KM	Myla, Ishaq, Harry
KL	Shawnita, Kevin, Hazel
1L	Tyrese, Lydia, Israel
1/2D	Oceana, Lavinia, Demir
2/3N	Chelsea, Zeliha, Safwan
3/4S	Chloe, Sameeha, Enzo
4F	Malik, Christian, Abraham
5/6L	Onest, Eire, Eisho
6U	Dominique, Victoria, Mashrafi

**FOOTY IS RETURNING TO REDFERN**

**\$5 RABBITOHS MEMBERS  
\$10 NON-MEMBERS  
KIDS U12 FREE**

ROUND 1 V BEARS 1:10PM SUN 17 MARCH  
ROUND 2 V DRAGONS 2PM SAT 23 MARCH  
ROUND 3 V JETS 1:10PM SUN 31 MARCH

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