

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 8

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WEEK 8 REMINDERS

- Refugee Week Assembly & Mufti Day Monday
- Stage 2 Incursion – Tuesday
- School Tour – Thursday 9:30am
- P&C Meeting – Friday 9:15am
- Stage 3 Excursion money due
- Stage 3 Camp – 2nd instalment due

This week's expected RESPONSIBLE behaviours are:

- Come ready to learn
- Agree on and play by the rules

Food Day

Last Wednesday the P&C ran a Food Day. Students enjoyed eating Sweet Chicken Curry and Rice for lunch. The curry warmed them up on a cold day! Thank you to the parents who assisted with making the curry and serving it to the students.

Police Visit

Last week, 2/3N, 3/4S and 4F were visited by Mascot Police for a Cybersafety talk. Students learned the importance of online safety through interactive activities, videos, surveys and discussion. They were reminded that students should not have a social media account if they are under 13 years of age and without parental permission. If students feel they are in an unsafe situation online they should notify a trusted adult immediately. The police placed an emphasis on the significance of a strong password - students decided that a strong password should be at least 8 characters and contain a mixture of symbols, numbers, upper and lower case letters.

School Tour

A number of school tours have been planned this year for parents and carers who are thinking of enrolling their child in Matraville Public School for 2020. These tours are for families who do not yet attend and would like to know more about our school. If you know of any families who may be interested in coming for a tour, please ask them to ring the school office to RSVP. Tours will be held on Thursday 20 June at 9:30am, Friday 23 August at 9:30am and Wednesday 4 September at 2:00pm.

Stage 3 Debating

Congratulations to our Stage 3 debaters who competed in Round 3 of the debating competition on Tuesday 11 June. The topic for this final debate was 'Take-away food is better than a home cooked meal.'

Matraville A team, consisting of Dominique, Amali, Jade and Angel, debated against Matraville B team, consisting of Samantha, Omar, Mashrafi and Fatin. Matraville A were successful in winning the debate. Both teams did a great job preparing and conducting their debates throughout the three rounds. Unfortunately neither team will proceed into the semi-finals of the competition but they should be proud of the skills they have developed.

YMCA NSW

Enrolments for Vacation Care are now open! YMCA NSW have a number of exciting activities planned for the holidays. Online enrolments can now be made to secure your child's place in the program. Bookings: ymcansw.org.au/matraville

TERM 2 CALENDAR – 2019

| WEEK 8 | |
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| Monday 17 June | Yarn Up - Parliament House Refugee Week - Mufti Day (gold coin donation) and special Assembly at 12:30pm |
| Tuesday 18 June | Stage 2 Incursion - Community & Remembrance |
| Thursday 20 June | School Tour 9:30am |
| Friday 21 June | P&C Meeting at 9:15am PSSA Round 5: Netball v Botany A/Chifley B at 1:00pm; Soccer v Soldiers Settlement at Heffron 55 at 1:00pm |
| WEEK 9 | |
| Monday 24 June | NAIDOC Week Assembly 2:00pm |
| Tuesday 25 June | Earn & Learn finishes |
| Friday 28 June | PSSA Round 6 |
| WEEK 10 | |
| Monday 1 July | Bandfest |
| Tuesday 2 July | K-6 Athletics Carnival |
| Wednesday 3 July | Stage 3 Excursion - Sydney Opera House |

Absences

At this time of year there are many viruses and illnesses which are affecting our students. It may be necessary to keep your child at home if they are too sick to come to school. However, it is important to remember that unless your child is sick, they must attend school every day.

If your child is away, please send a note to school explaining the reason for their absence on their first day back. It is only necessary to ring the school office if your child will be away for more than three days or if they are suffering from a contagious illness (e.g. chicken pox).

The school regularly monitors attendance and will follow up with parents of students who have a high number of absences, patterns of absence, or absences for unjustified or unexplained reasons. A meeting may be requested to discuss concerns regarding absences.

Earn & Learn

Thank you to all families who have been collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers for our school. The Earn & Learn promotion runs until next Tuesday 25 June, so let's keep collecting as many stickers as we can! The more stickers we collect, the more resources we will be able to redeem for our students!

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be held on Friday 21 June 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. New members are always welcome! If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to be emailed a copy of the minutes after each meeting, please email the P&C at pandcmatraville@gmail.com

Hand, Foot and Mouth

We have had a reported case of Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease at school. This is generally a mild illness of childhood passed from person to person. Signs and symptoms may include blisters that start as small red dots which later become ulcers. Blisters can appear on the inside of the cheeks, gums, the sides of the tongue, hands and feet. Children may also suffer from a low fever, sore throat, tiredness, feel off colour and may not eat for a day or two.

The disease is usually spread by person-to-person contact, by secretions from the mouth or respiratory system, and by direct contact with the fluid in blisters. Students who are suffering from the disease should be kept home from school until their blisters have dried. Parents should seek medical attention if they are concerned their child may be suffering from this disease.



The more stickers you earn, the more kids learn

Shop
For every \$10 you spend* you'll get an Earn & Learn sticker

Collect
Collect as many stickers as you can between now and 25th June

Give
Give your stickers to local schools so they can redeem them for new equipment



NAIDOC Week Assembly

Next Monday 24 June, Matraville Public School will be hosting a special assembly to acknowledge NAIDOC Week which falls in the school holidays. Parents and carers are invited to attend the assembly

to be held in the school hall from 2:00-3:00pm. The school choir, the Kindergarten classes and selected students will be performing special items. We hope you can join us for this special event.

**Playgroup at
Matraville PS
every Wednesday
9.30-11.30am
All welcome!**



JeSTAR Theatre Group
A place to imagine, create, have fun, be a star!

Enrolling Now

What is JeSTAR Theatre?
Founded 8 years ago, JeSTAR Theatre is exclusively devoted to young people interested in acting, performing and self-expression

At JeSTAR, children will:

- Enjoy the excitement of performing on stage to a variety of live audiences
- Stimulate their creativity
- Develop confidence and public speaking skills
- Accept leadership roles and responsibilities
- Build teamwork skills

About the Director
Anna Maylis, JeSTAR Director has had over 20+ years of experience as a drama teacher and is the founder of several theatre studios in the Eastern Suburbs.

When/where are the classes?
Thursdays 3:45pm-5:00pm
Millie Phillips Theatre
Emanuel School, Randwick

Cost:
\$150/term - one class a week for 8-10 weeks
FIRST CLASS FREE!

To enrol or for more information, please contact Anna Maylis

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