

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

19 August 2019

Term 3 Week 5

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WEEK 5 REMINDERS:

- Friday - School Tour 9:30am; PSSA resumes
- Enter Premier's Reading Challenge books (Years 3-6)
- Showcase permission note and money due

This week's expected RESPONSIBLE behaviours are:

- Talk to a teacher if you need help
- Follow instructions



ESPSSA Zone Athletics Carnival

A huge congratulations to the 32 students who represented Matraville Public School over two days at the ESPSSA Zone Athletics Carnival. A special mention to the junior boys relay team who qualified for the finals. Well done to all students on demonstrating such amazing sportsmanship, effort, dedication and behaviour - we are all so proud of you.



Science Week

Science Week 2019 went off with a blast! This year's theme was Destination Moon and all the staff at Matraville PS organised amazing activities for the students to learn about space and the moon. Some of the activities included making moon foot prints with kinetic sand, experimenting with gravity, attempting to land space shuttles



on the "moon" and creating constellations. The students expanded their knowledge and had lots of fun with the hands-on activities.

NED Visits Matraville PS

Last Tuesday we were lucky enough to have the NED show visit all the way from America. NED taught students in K-6 the importance of growth mindset in an engaging, fun way. Tayfun and Adylade in 4F gave the following review of the show: "We learned what NED's name meant - Never give up, Encourage others and Do your best. We went on a mission to find our mindset. We went to Mount Everest, Encourage Island and in a spaceship with scary but nice aliens. We learned the power of 'yet', 'courage' and 'grow' and were really entertained by a lady named Haley who did stunning magic tricks and amazing yo-yo stunts."

Yo-yos are on sale for three more days this week in Miss Spencer's classroom for any students who would like to support the NED show. They are priced at \$8, \$15 and \$20.

Yo-yos will be available at the following times (correct cash only please):

- Monday 19 August 11:00-11:10am and 3:00pm
- Tuesday 20 August 11:00-11:10am
- Wednesday 21 August 8:30-8:50am

TERM 3 CALENDAR – 2019

WEEK 5

Friday 23 August School Tour at 9:30am
 PSSA Round 10 at 1pm: Netball at Heffron Park v South Coogee 3;
 Soccer v Daceyville at Heffron 53

WEEK 6

Monday 26 August Showcase Rehearsal
 Yarn Up - Parliament NSW
 Tuesday 27 August P&C Father's Day Stall
 Showcase Performance
 Wednesday 28 August Responsible Pet Ownership
 Incursion
 Thursday 29 August Opera Performance in Hall
 Friday 30 August PRC student entries due
 P&C Meeting 9:15am
 PSSA Round 11

WEEK 7

Wednesday 4 September School Tour 2:00pm
 MPS Public Speaking Competition
 Friday 6 September PSSA Round 12

Enrolment Policy

You may have heard discussion within the community about changes to the Department of Education's Enrolment Policy. The revised policy includes reference to the number of students that can be enrolled at a school based on the school's permanent accommodation (i.e. number of available classrooms). This information then confirms whether a school may have the capacity to accept non-local enrolments. The revised enrolment policy will not have an effect on the students we are able to enrol at our school. We are fortunate to have a number of spare classrooms and have space available to grow our school.

School Tour

Our next tour for families who do not yet attend and would like to know more about our school is being held this Friday 23 August at 9:30am. If you know of any families who may be interested in enrolling their child at Matraville PS, please ask them to ring the school office to register.

Attendance

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.

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Please ensure that you provide the school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence on your child's first day back at school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Play Equipment

It is wonderful to see students enjoying themselves in the playground at school. However, due to Health & Safety regulations, students are not permitted to play on the play equipment before or after school. We ask parents to please assist us by reminding their children that the equipment is out of bounds during these times.

Father's Day Stall

The P&C will be holding a Father's Day Stall next Tuesday 27 August. Gifts will be available from \$0.50 to \$12.00.

If you are able to attend on the day to assist with selling the gifts, please see Renee in the playground or Ms Hoskins in the school office. You do not need to be a member of the P&C to help out, all volunteers are welcome!

Congratulations to students who received a merit award last week:

KM	Leslie, Ethan, Harry
KL	Hussam, Brynn, Spencer
1L	Harrison, Sid, Jaxson
1/2D	Kim, Zye, David
2/3N	Lina, Aras, Noorjahan
3/4S	Siosaia, Amari, Chloe
4F	Sydrick, Kenje, Abraham
5/6L	Jett, Taniela, Dexter
6U	Angel, Kevin, Mashrafi
Bangla	Rizwaan, Sameeha

**Playgroup at
Matraville PS
every Wednesday
9.30-11.30am
(school term)
All welcome!**



SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL
Open Day Thursday 12 September 2019, 9:30am - 12:00pm

NURTURING SCHOLAR SPORTSMEN SINCE 1883
www.sydneyboyshigh.com 556 Cleveland St, Moore Park NSW 2021 Ph: 9662 9300



**Starts
Thursday
15 August
11am to 1:30pm**

SETTLING IN
Support for parents and carers new to Australia

Support for parents and carers new to Australia with tips to help parents, carers and kids "settle in" and get the most out of school and life in their new community.

DATES & TIMES
Thursday 15 August, 2019 - 11am-1:30pm
Thursday 22 August, 2019 - 11am-1:30pm
Thursday 29 August, 2019 - 11am-1:30pm
Thursday 5 September, 2019 - 11am-1:30pm
Thursday 12 September, 2019 - 11am-1:30pm
Thursday 19 September, 2019 - 11am-1:30pm

NOTE: This workshop is for parents, grandparents and carers new to Australia. *Basic English required.

VENUE
Strathfield Library
65-67 Rochester St
Homebush NSW 2140

REGISTRATION
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