

NORTH KELLYVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Hezlett Happenings ~ Friday 13 December 2019

#### **PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**



#### What a Year! See You in 2020

We've come to the end of our first full year together and what a year it was. Those who attended our Presentation Assembly on Thursday witnessed a wonderful celebration where our collective skills and achievements were acknowledged.

I think back to our infamous uniform selling day in mid-January. It was hot and bothersome. Some of our parents/carers lined up for hours. The staff were there to say hello and run some tours. They even dashed to the shops and back a few times with bottled water and ice. I'm not sure why this moment sticks in my mind. Perhaps it is because it exemplifies the goodwill, patience and excitement of the community and the hard work and problem-solving approach our staff has adopted throughout the year. There was no prouder moment, and nor do I think there ever will be, than when our students came to school on their first day wearing our bright orange uniform. We took a selfie in the hall and nervously went off to class for the first time. Since then it has been a whirlwind of activity. All of the 'firsts' that we've shared together will long be remembered and cherished. Thank you for a brilliant first year together.



#### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER

#### **Thank You Parents / Community**

Parents and carers play a critical role in the primary school. The parent body is often what makes the different between a good school and a great school. We are blessed to have a community that believes in the school, trusts us to make good decisions, supports us at every turn, and adds value on a daily basis. This year our foundation P&C executive team and P&C members have worked tirelessly while learning the ropes to deliver incredible outcomes to the school, our students and community. From BBQs and trivia nights to mothers and fathers day stalls, they haven't stopped. A highlight was the P&C's My Community Grant application which was successful, through popular vote, in delivering \$65,000 to the school for the provision of outdoor play equipment. This equipment will be installed early in 2020 and will be of benefit to our students for years to come. Thank you to our parents and community. I look forward to our continued partnership next year.

#### Thank You Mrs Kriketos

Emma Kriketos has been the Director of Educational Leadership for The Ponds network for 2 years. Well before I was the principal of North Kellyville Public School, Mrs Kriketos was working hard behind the scenes laying the foundation that Miss McGill and I could build on. Mrs Kriketos, herself a highly accomplished principal, has guided and mentored many of the activities of the school and has worked with the school's leaders to develop the skills and capabilities required to thrive in our unique environment. In 2020 Mrs Kriketos will relocate away from Sydney and no longer be connected to the school. It is important that her work is acknowledged.





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#### Time Capsule Closed! Opening in 2069!

At the start of the year I said to the assembly that although our school is now known as the new and shiny school with fabulous facilities, what people will say about us in 50 years will be very different. There will be other new schools between now and then. What people will say about North Kellyville Public School will be about the quality of our character. They'll talk about whether we are respectful in our interactions with others, responsible in our behavioural and learning choices and resilient when the going gets tough. In 50 years we will open our time capsule. Inside our time capsule Mrs Whelan has placed a number of special including photographs, our foundation items medallion, student work and a letter from me to the students of 2069. Our time capsule will be located in our office fover.

#### **Thank You Staff**

As the principal I see the staff as my class; each with his or her own strengths and interests, each with his or her own way of working. It has been my great privilege to lead a tremendous staff team throughout the year. Together we have achieved some remarkable feats. It is the goal of our Department that every student, every teacher, every leader and every school improves every year. Our students will improve because of their work ethic and expert guidance. Our teachers will improve because of their innate desire to do better and deep commitment to professional learning. Our leaders will improve because we know that it is the model that we set and the standard that we keep which drives excellence. Our school will improve because we are good school on a path to greatness.

For those wishing to view the tribute video shown at our Presentation Assembly, you can do so here.

#### **Student Leaders Announced**

Congratulations to the six students elected by their peers to be student leaders in 2020.

School Captains:
Vice Captains:
School Leaders:

Sienna & Hunter Danika & Andre Kati & Mateen



#### **Deputy Principal Recruitment**

Our student numbers now permit for the recruitment of a Deputy Principal. A selection panel has been formed:

•	Tom Moth	Panel convener
٠	Colleen Hook	Teacher representative
•	Joal Bowman	Director's representative
٠	Mark Saad	Parent representative
•	Gloria Hill	Parent representative

Recruitment will occur early in 2020.

#### Years 3-6 Band in 2020

Students in Years 3-6 next year will have the opportunity to join a school band and have tutorials in their chosen instrument once a week. This entire program will be run by Teaching Services Australia, a third-party provider whose expertise in the field is recognised by their vast involvement with many schools in the area. Students watched a neighbouring school perform this week and next week will be able to participate in a 'blow test' to see which instrument they are naturally inclined to achieve success with. If you would like your current Year 2-5 child to participate in this test, please complete the expression of interest form below and return it to school on Monday.

- Band Flyer
- Expression of Interest Form return Monday!

#### Things to Know for End of Year

With only three school days left until we close for the year it is important to keep on top of the events and activities occurring between now and school holidays. Teaching and learning continues until the last day of school, Wednesday 18 December. Student attendance is expected until this date.

This list of parent / carer reminders should be of assistance to close the year out smoothly:

- Parents are asked to settle all accounts with the school. Monies owing to the school other than voluntary contributions will be carried over into 2020. In cases where amounts are outstanding and financial assistance has not been discussed with me, families will move to a 'pay as you go' system in 2020 meaning that excursion attendance and the like will only be permitted if payment is made in advance.
- Return all library books to the library.
- If purchasing a gift for your child's teacher, be aware that gifts over \$50 in value need to be declared by the staff member to the principal. It the principal's discretion to determine the appropriateness of the staff member keeping the gift. It is against the Department's Code of Conduct to allow staff members to accept



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significant gifts as this can be seen to compromise one's integrity.

• Donate any uniforms no longer wanted to the school office so that we have supplies in sick bay for accidents and so the P&C can form a second hand uniform shop in 2020.

#### What to Expect in 2020 - Video & Slides Linked

Next year North Kellyville Public School will take a giant leap towards achieving its stated vision of delivering boldly future-focused primary educational programs which are individualised to suit the specific needs of students so that they thrive in a rapidly changing and interconnected world. Thank you to the many parents and community members who attended the information session on December 3 to find out more. For those who couldn't attend, the slides handed out on the night can be found below together with a video of the presentation.

- Slides from 2020 Information Session
- Video of 2020 Information Session

#### **Health Care Needs**

In the coming weeks I will be making email contact with parents in cases where Health Care and other associated plans are required by the school. Students who have medical conditions or disabilities might require an updated or new plan. These plans are requirements of the Department of Education and guide our practices in taking care of each student. Plans are updated annually so if you have previously completed a plan you will be asked to update.

#### **Kindergarten Best Start Bookings**

Students entering Kindergarten are required to complete a Best Start interview. Parents of students in Kindergarten in 2020 are now able to book their preferred time (first in first served) via our online booking system. 45 minute bookings can be made on one of three days – Wednesday 29 January to Friday 31 January.

#### **HOLIDAY DATES**

- <u>Tuesday 14/1</u> School open for enrolments between 9:30am and 2:00pm
- <u>Tuesday 21/1</u> School open for enrolments between 9:30am and 2:00pm
- <u>Wednesday 29/1</u> First day back for Years 1-6 students
- <u>Wednesday 29/1 to Friday 31/1</u> Kindergarten Best Start Assessments
- <u>Monday 3/2</u> First day for Kindergarten students

#### Hills Relay for Life – 16/17 May 2020

I have created a Hills Relay for Life North Kellyville Public School team for the event which will take place on May 16-17 at Castle Hill Showground. Everybody knows somebody close to them who is a cancer carer or survivor, or who has regrettably lost a battle with the disease. The Relay for Life supports the Cancer Council and schools are always significant backers of the event. Please consider either joining me in the North Kellyville PS relay team or donating to the team. Better yet, do both! We will need at least one person walking the showground track at all times during the 24 hour event and I need your help!! For more information, to sign up or donate, <u>click here</u>.



Tom Moth Principal



Farewell Year 6



Choir performed at Presentation Assembly





#### TEACHER TALK



#### Launching THE NK WAY

We are excited to unveil to the community The NK Way. The NK Way is a comprehensive and aspirational statement which summarises everything that our school is about. It identifies 6 key pillars on which quality teaching and learning are built, and breaks each of those pillars into smaller component pieces. The 6 pillars are:

- Personal responsibility
- Culture
- Learning ecosystems
- Connectedness
- Excellence
- Dream Big

This document has been authored throughout the year by the North Kellyville staff. It has been used in recruitment practices to attract the best candidature and will be referenced regularly in the years to come.

#### **Miss McGill**

**Assistant Principal** 



We're fundraising with entertainment



P&C NEWS



Please LIKE our new Facebook page to stay updated: https://www.facebook.com/nkps.pca/

#### **End of Year**

With the 2019 school year coming to a close, I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to all our fantastic P&C members and particularly the P&C executive team. All of whom have taken time away from their busy lives and families to come together and assist in decision making, fundraising and event planning which have all helped in making our amazing school even more so! I would also like to extend our appreciation to our wonderful principal Mr Moth and the NKPS executive team; Miss McGill, Mrs Newth, Mrs Kadian, Mrs Johnston and Mr Bondfield for attending our meetings and always being there to help guide and encourage us as we found our way as a brand new committee this year!

#### 2020 Meeting Date

Our first meeting date for 2020 will be: Wednesday 11th February at 7:30pm in the library. We hope to see you there!

#### Volunteers Needed – School Banking Program

As you may know, the Dollarmites School banking program is available to our NKPS kids each Tuesday morning from 8:30 – 9:00am. We are in desperate need for some more volunteers. Without sufficient helpers, it will become difficult to continue to run this program. If you are able to assist, please email your interest to nkps.pca@gmail.com

#### **Second Hand Uniforms**

In 2020 we hope to establish a second hand uniform shop. Please drop any unwanted uniforms to the school office labelled 'P&C Uniforms.'

#### **Entertainment Book Fundraiser**

It's not too late to purchase your 2019-2020 Entertainment Book digital subscription. Membership gives you hundreds of 2-for-1 and up to 50% off offers from many of the most popular restaurants, attractions, activities, shopping, accommodation and more. Amazing value at just \$70. Click here to place your order now.



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#### **Stuck On You Fundraiser**

We have partnered with Stuck on You to assist you with all your labelling needs. For every order placed using our unique code, the P&C will receive a commission to further support us in our fundraising goals.

#### HOW TO ORDER

- 1. Go to www.stuckonyou.com.au
- 2. Place your order
- Enter fundraising code (NKPSPCA) at the checkout for the commission to be sent to NKPS P&C

Alison Nicolson P&C President nkps.pca@gmail.com

**KEY DATES** 



SCHOOL EVENTS / DATES ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE https://northkellyville-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/

## NKPS proudly supported by Brett Humby Guardian Realty

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NKPS is proudly supported by SAHARA TURKISH STREET FOOD. Restaurants at North Village & The Ponds Shopping Centre.

### **QUICK INFORMATION**



<b>Out Of School Hours Care</b> – Wesley Mission has been appointed as the provider of out of school hours care. The centre will run out of the school hall both before and after school. Morning care will commence from 6:00am, while care in the afternoon will be provided until 6:00pm. Contact OOSH on 96266620 or email oosh@wesleymission.org.au.
<b>Facebook Page –</b> 'Like' our Facebook page and encourage all of your friends, families and neighbours to do likewise!
<b>Mailing List –</b> To be added to the Hezlett Happenings mailing list, <u>click here</u> .
<b>Parent Handbook</b> – Edition 1 of the North Kellyville Public School Parent Handbook if available here. Please read this document to become acquainted with many school programs and procedures.
<b>School Stream App</b> – A lot of news, forms and notices are pushed out to mobile devices through our School Stream App. If you haven't yet downloaded the app, do so now!
<b>Parent Volunteers</b> – must supply <u>100</u> points of ID to be brought to the office where it will be photocopied and kept on file for audit purposes and <u>Appendix 5</u> which is a summary of the 100 points and a signed declaration about character and previous offences.
Follow our staff on Twitter:
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<b>Dollarmites School Banking</b> – The P&C led school banking initiative occurs each Tuesday morning. Students can being their bank books to the special programs rooms between 8:30 and 9:00am. More information here.





## AROUND THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

## 4/3J are Green.

What a term it has been for 4/3J. We have engaged in video conferencing with Mr Anthony Salcito, Vice President of Microsoft Education for the Microsoft Global Connections Initiative. We have grown plants for our school veggie garden and made Greenhouses to sustain plant life. We have also created websites which includes an information report about plants and greenhouses.

4/3J along with 5S are currently using technology to explore 'virtual reality' where students are using laptops, Ipads and VR headsets to create a 3D obstacle course or their "perfect" classroom. 4/3J have been busy and I think we all deserve a holiday!













Greenhouse Website





## **K-6J excelling in mathematics!**

This week in maths, students of K-6J have been doing an excellent job when learning about patterns. We have completed rotations where we have had to sort, create and complete different equations using shapes and colours. We have explored patterns through using tangrams and have begun to recognize most of our 2D shapes. K-6J students also enjoyed their visit to healthy Harold and learnt about making good food choices.







#### PAID ADVERTISEMENTS – NOT ENDORESEMENTS BY SCHOOL



- Dialogues
- Pinyin pronunciation system
- Chinese culture

#### ADDRESS

Classroom in North Kellyville Public School Campus

Time

Friday

3:15pm-6:15pm

#### Starting 8<sup>st</sup> March, 2019



Learning Chinese 学习中文

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Peiji Chinese School CONTACT US: Ben Sun (Chinese School Principal)

Tel: 0416 646 026

Email: peijich@yahoo.com.au http://www.peiji.com.au







## **ACTIVE KIDS**



Hi Reps Active Kids Program focuses on introducing children (age 8yrs – 15yrs) to different exercises, drills, team interaction, and fun activities.

Children have an opportunity to learn good movement through supervised gym related sport/exercise training.

4:30PM - 5:15PM | MONDAY - THURSDAY | ROUSE HILL

For more details, visit www.hireps.com.au





Registration for Term 1 2020 now open-Call 8882 9968

1st session FREE to all new kids

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# January Holiday Creative

Workshops

For Ages: 5-13

## Dates:

Tuesday 21st Wednesday 22nd Thursday 23rd





at North Kellyville Public School Paula : 0430 295 022 Sandra: 0402 050 901 Email: thinkingartz@gmail.com Facebook: @thinkingartz Use your Creative Kids Voucher LEARN. TRAIN. COMPETE.



For coaching and fitness training please contact

Phone: 0469 898 837 Email: norwesttt@gmail.com Early bird offers for NKPS students and siblings. Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00pm - 9:00pm Saturday: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Starting on the 1st February 2020

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## Wesley Out of School Hours Vacation care in Kellyville

Keep the kids busy and entertained during the summer holidays with fun, affordable and local child care.

## Activities include:

- water play days
- science day
- silent disco incursion
- Inflatable World and movies excursion
- Australia Day celebrations.

## Dates:

Monday 6 January to Friday 24 January 2020, additional pupil free days.

## Location:

North Kellyville Public School Hezlett Road, North Kellyville.

**Cost:** \$45 per day, extra charge for incursion and excursion activities.

For more information visit wesleymission.org.au/vacationcare Call 9626 6620 or email oosh@wesleymission.org.au

Do all the good you can because every life matters







# Wesley Out of School Hours Care

Vacation care calendar January 2020 North Kellyville

Monday 06	Tuesday 07	Wednesday 08	Thursday 09	Friday 10
Go kart, bike and scooter day	Water play day	Science day	Inflatable World	Crazy hair day, movies and pizza
Bring your helmets and get ready to ride a go kart.	Bring in a towel and clothes for a wet day at OOSH.	Join us for fun science experiments and activities.	Enjoy the fun play equipment with your friends.	Come to OOSH with crazy hair.
\$15 extra per child	Electronics day		\$33 extra per child	\$5 extra per child
Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17
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Treasure hunt mania	Silent disco incursion	Event movies excursion	Water play day	Multicultural day
Come on a treasure hunt with us as we explore with our friends.	Enjoy a silent disco with wireless headphone and fun games.	Watch the latest G or PG-rated movie at the local cinema.	Bring in spare clothes and towel for a wet day at OOSH.	Learn about other cultures through different craft and activities.
a	\$17 extra per child	\$28 extra per child	Electronics day	
Monday 20	Tuesday 21	Wednesday 22	Thursday 23	Friday 24
Slime day	Powerhouse museum excursion	Water play day	Artistique incursion	Australia Day celebrations
Get messy as we make and play with slime.	Visit the museum with your friends.	Bring in spare clothes and towel for a wet day at OOSH.	Art of sculpting and creating as we enjoy being an artist.	Celebrate our great country with a sausage sizzle.
	\$27 extra per child		\$10 extra per child	Electronics day

For enquiries phone (02) 9626 6620 or email oosh@wesleymission.org.au







# Wesley Out of School Hours Care

Pupil free days December 2019 and January 2020 North Kellyville

Thursday 19 December 2019	Friday 20 December 2019	Tuesday 28 January 2020
Christmas cook off	Create your own Santa sack	OOSH has talent
Bake some yummy Christmas treats together.	Celebrate our last day at OOSH for the year with some Christmas fun.	Show off your talent today before we are back at school tomorrow.
	Electronics day	

#### Notes for Vacation care and Pupil free days

- Afternoon tea will be provided. You will need to pack a filling lunch, snacks and water for your child. We are unable to re-heat food at the centre.
- All children must bring a hat and water bottle. Children should wear socks and closed shoes.
- \$45 per child, per day. Incursion and excursion costs will be extra. You may be eligible for Childcare Subsidy.
- For excursions, please ensure your child has a backpack clearly labelled. Your child must be at the centre no later than 9 am. Wesley OOSH Care will use a chartered bus for excursions.

- Your child may bring along electronic devices on the days indicated on the vacation care calendar. Please note that internet access is not allowed.
- Please ensure that all your child's items are clearly labelled. Wesley OOSH Care staff do not take responsibility for any lost, damaged or stolen valuables.
- Please remember the centre is a nut-free zone. Do not send any food that contains nuts or nut products. This includes peanut butter and Nutella.

#### Hours of operation

Vacation Care	
Monday 6/1/20 to Friday 24/1/20	7 am to 6 pm
Pupil Free Days	
Thursday 19/12/19 and Friday 20/12/19	7 am to 6 pm
Tuesday 28/1/20	7 am to 6 pm

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