



Norths' News



A Community with Expectations of Achievement and Success

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

DAY	DATE	EVENT	DUE
Tuesday	27 March 2018	Book Club due back	27 March 2018
Thursday	29 March 2018	Easter Hat Parade	
Friday	30 March 2018	Good Friday	
Monday	2 April 2018	Easter Monday	
Tuesday-Friday	3-6 April 2018	Student Led Conferences	
Thursday	12 April 2018	ANZAC Day Service – 10.00am Start	
Friday	13 April 2018	Last Day of Term 1	

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PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT

This week, it was with absolute excitement that I was able to announce my appointment as the new substantive Principal at St Marys North Public School starting next term. For a long time now, St Marys North has been such a special part of my life and it has provided me with so many wonderful opportunities to grow and develop as an educator and leader. I have been extremely privileged to work alongside so many wonderful students throughout the years and watch them develop into respectful young people long after they have walked out our gates. I look forward to continuing this journey as the leader of Norths and can't wait for the amazing times we have ahead. I would like to thank everyone for the kind messages of congratulations, your support is very much appreciated. Together, we can achieve great things for our children!



STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES



Student-led conferences are due to be held in Week 10 of this term. Notes went home last week for parents to select a suitable time. Our teachers and students look forward to the conferences as they provide our students with the opportunity to share with their families the learning that they are engaging in daily in their rooms. Ownership over learning is vital for students to make gains in their learning. Meetings with teachers can still be organised should parents wish.

NEW SHADE STRUCTURES

Beginning the 6 April, the existing shade structure next to the Willow Rd COLA will be replaced due to its poor state. A new shade structure will also be built next to the basketball court to cover a large part of the paved area, providing much needed shade. The projects are due to be completed within a 2-month time frame. The benefits of the new shaded spaces will be great, providing new outdoor learning spaces for our teachers and students. Your feedback as a community has directly led to the work being completed, thank you.

ACO VISIT

This week we had a special visit from Liisa Pallandi, a violinist in the Australian Chamber Orchestra. Liisa played for our Year 5 students and 1 Gumnuts. The visit was part of our ongoing collaboration with the ACO and the development of our own musicians in 1 Gumnuts. Gumnuts even had the opportunity to play their violins and cellos for Liisa, who was extremely impressed with how far they have come in such a short time. Many thanks to Mrs Donas and Mrs Du Ross-Smith who spend time each day helping our students practice. It is a true example of how perseverance and determination can see our students learn almost anything!



HARMONY DAY



This week we celebrated Harmony Day across the school. Harmony Day is a chance to celebrate our cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. I would like to congratulate the amazing teachers that we have here at Norths who planned wonderful activities in all learning spaces for our students to learn a little more about other cultures. Our students had the opportunity to visit different countries and even had a passport that was stamped along the way. Hopefully you got to hear about your child's adventures as they hopped around the globe.

GROWTH MINDSET

At St Marys North Public School we are working towards developing a growth mindset in our students. Individuals who believe their talents can be developed (through hard work, good strategies, and input from others) have a growth mindset. They tend to achieve more than those with a more fixed mindset. We wish to instil in our students the belief that everything is hard to begin with but with determined effort they can achieve great things. We will be posting information on Facebook each week with questions that parents/carers can have at home with their children that will support our efforts.



Finally, I would like to congratulate our swimming representatives, Lucy and Leilani, who recently represented the St Marys District at the Regional Swimming Carnival. It is a wonderful achievement to be eligible to attend this carnival and both girls performed extremely well. We are so proud of both of you!

*'Don't wait until you've reached your goal to be proud of yourself. Be proud of **every step you take** toward reaching that goal.'*

Mrs Parello

Relieving Principal



Principal's Awards



OLIVIA KOPRIVCIC

2018 P&C COMMITTEE

I would like to firstly thank the hardworking 2017 P&C for their contributions to our school last year. We very much appreciate the time that you give and the money that was raised towards new sporting equipment for our students. I would like to congratulate the following community members on their recent nominations for positions in the P&C for 2018.



President	– Melissa Dick
Vice President	– Kelly Taylor
2nd Vice President	– Peter Gray
Secretary	– Tamara Brooks
Treasurer	– Debbie Melide
Executive Members	– Lisa Williams, Rebecca Armodoros, Joanne Coleman, Lisa Dunn, Julie Burt and Jane Page.

The P&C plays a vital role in our school community. This dedicated group of community volunteers provides their time and energy to many events across the school year as well as organising fundraising events to give back to the school. Participating in the P&C enables community members to work closely with our school and provide a parent voice.

I would encourage all community members to think about the role you could play, even if it is a small one, in working together to ensure our children have every opportunity to become the best versions of themselves they can be. If you think you may have some time to spare, or are interested in how you can help out, please drop into the school office and we can discuss the many ways you can be involved.

Presently, the P&C meets twice a term on a Tuesday at 9.30am. We are interested to know if we would have other keen parents who would like to attend meetings if they were held of an evening, around 6.30pm. Ideally the P&C would like to have one day time meeting and one evening meeting a term. This would mean that more parents may have the chance to come along.

We ask that you show your interest by returning the slip below. Many thanks.

INTEREST IN P&C MEETING

(Please tick which time slot would suit you)

☐ Day time meeting

☐ Night time meeting


Please return to the school office. Thank you.



National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence



On Friday last week, students at St Marys North Public School participated in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence.



Is it Bullying?

When someone says or does something unintentionally hurtful and they do it once.
That's RUDE



When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they do it once.
That's MEAN

When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they keep doing it even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset.
That's BULLYING

www.else-support.co.uk



3 Orchids talked about how nasty words that people sometimes BLURT out, can hurt. Their message to everyone is to CHOOSE KIND!



K Coolabah listened to their teacher read the story "Don't be a bully, Billy"



3/4 Gum Blossoms read the book 'Chrysanthemum' by Keven Henkes. They learned bullying hurts our feelings and that we should all remember
 "Before you speak, think and be smart.
 It's hard to fix a wrinkled (broken) heart."



Sienna and Jaydahleah from Year 4, wrote and performed a song about bullying!
 "Don't be a bully", was the message in their song!



5 Acacia learned that Bullying is **NEVER** Ok! They created posters to display this message. 5 Acacia also met with their buddies, to help them to remember "Be a BUDDY, not a BULLY!"



K-6 Easter Hat Parade

The K-6 classes are having an Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 29th March 2018 in the hall. The parade will commence at 9.30am and conclude before first break. Parents and community members are invited to attend this event. We encourage all children to make a hat at home, so everybody can participate in the parade.

Thank you and happy Easter from all of us.



Easter Raffle



Easter is quickly approaching and Year 6 will be hosting an Easter Egg Raffle to help raise money. We are asking for support from the community. Please help by donating Easter eggs that will become prizes for the raffle. All donations can be taken to the front office. Easter egg raffle tickets will be sold from Ms Scott's room and prizes will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 29th March. The tickets will cost 20c each or 6 for \$1.00. Thank you in advance for your donations and ongoing support. Mrs Roddy, Ms Scott and Year 6

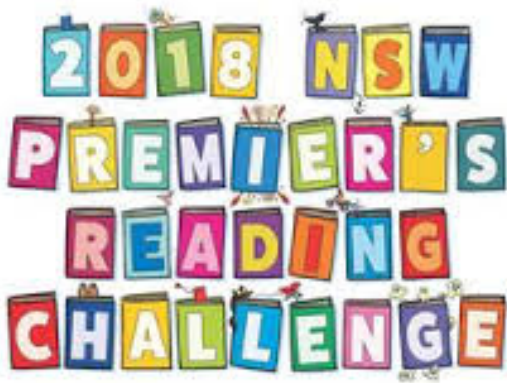
YEAR 6 FAREWELL REMINDER

Just a reminder that the Year 6 Farewell deposit of \$20 is due by Wednesday 28.03.18. Payments can be made to Rebecca Armodoros, Lisa Dunn or Nicole Baker. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND THE PAYMENT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.** Thank you to those families have already made payments.






CANTEEN

All orders at the canteen need be in by 10am. Any orders after 10am will not be accepted. Many thanks from the Canteen Ladies.



You have **23** weeks left to
finish your 20 books.
YOU CAN DO IT!



WEEK 7	<i>Respectful</i>	<i>Respectful Play Fairy</i>	WEEK 8	<i>Safe</i>	<i>Respectful Include others</i>
 K BLUEBELL	Braysten Corrigan	Holly Hayes	 K BLUEBELL	Kyemma Lester	Jack Bailey
 K DAISY	Hayden Elphick	Mia Haynes	 K DAISY	Paarthepan Selvaganeshan	Mark Welsh Williams
 K COOLABAH	Ainslee Grisedale	Annabelle Clavan	 K COOLABAH	Samuel Hobson	Kayden Bentley
 1 GUMNUT	Bryson Young	Penny Eagleton	 1 GUMNUT	Isabella	Ryan Croft
 1 PROTEA	Hennessy Higbid	Charnelle Miller	 1 PROTEA	Faith Stacy	Ebenezer Nomor
 1 BLUE GUM	Allison Thompson	Katie Barber	 1 BLUE GUM	Hemi Bonser	Wyatt Fry
 2 FRANGIPANI	Nevaeh Valasis-Ika	Jason Li	 2 FRANGIPANI	Logan Hayes	Mia-Louise Van Meurs
 2 WARATAH	Amarra Akuta	Omar Abdul Rehman	 2 WARATAH	Emilee-Rose Westbrook	Britney Jones
 2 GREVILLEA	Tanu Taito	Jacob King	 2 GREVILLEA	Belinda Taylor	Chloe McAlister
 3 LILLY PILLY	Brianna Thomas	Makayla Halvorson	 3 LILLY PILLY	Kyedon Fields	Miley Alderton
 3 ORCHID	Cailin Hill	Kevin Lio	 3 ORCHID	Koby Halvorson	Matilda Watters
 3-4 GUM BLOSSOM	Nick Tootoo	Paige Stacy	 3-4 GUM BLOSSOM	Bailey Cook-Thompson	Lucas McAlister
 4 JACARANDA	Liana Haynes	Janaali Skinner	 4 JACARANDA	Marcus Spiteri	Marina Holden
 4 BANKSIA	Saige Spaulding	Mokai Bonser	 4 BANKSIA	Reupena Reuelu	Chloe Rewi
 5 ACACIA	Madison Suckling	Nate Christensen	 5 ACACIA	Poppi Sharpe	Rita Reuelu
 5 KANGAROO PAW	Baher Younis	Marcus McDonald	 5 KANGAROO PAW	Archie Skinner	Leilani Siafolau
 6 JARRAH	Harley Day	Emillia Cartwright	 6 JARRAH	Trump Thornton Finn	Charleise Thode
 6 EUCALYPTUS	Harly Tobin	Jamie-Lee Coles	 6 EUCALYPTUS	Annika Howes	Ryan Hyde



Easter

Family FUN day

GOOD FRIDAY 30 MARCH

FREE ENTRY 10.30AM – 2.30PM

All ages will be delighted with our free Giant Easter Egg Hunt, Face Painting, Animal Farm and Interactive Games!

GO CRAZY ON OUR CARNIVAL WITH OUR UNLIMITED RIDES PASS*
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"Failure is an opportunity to grow"
GROWTH MINDSET
"I can learn to do anything I want"
"Challenges help me to grow"
"My effort and attitude determine my abilities"
"Feedback is constructive"
"I am inspired by the success of others"
"I like to try new things"

"Failure is the limit of my abilities"
FIXED MINDSET
"I'm either good at it or I'm not"
"My abilities are unchanging"
"I can either do it, or I can't"
"I don't like to be challenged"
"My potential is predetermined"
"When I'm frustrated, I give up"
"Feedback and criticism are personal"
"I stick to what I know"

At St Marys North, the teachers and students are learning to have a positive growth mindset.

Do you have a positive growth mindset?

Our growth mindset quote this fortnight is...

*"If You
Never
Try,
You'll
Never
Know."
~John Barrow*

Please talk with your children about how they can use this mindset in their learning every day at school