



Norths' News



A Community with Expectations of Achievement and Success IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday	11 June 2018	Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday Long Weekend
Tuesday	12 June 2018	ACO Musician Visit
Wednesday	13 June 2018	Synergy Dance Matinee
Friday	22 June 2018	Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off Day
Tuesday	3 July 2018	Whole School Reward Day
Wednesday	4 July 2018	NAIDOC Day
Friday	6 July 2018	Student Reports Sent Home

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8 June 2018

SCHOOL LEADER CIVIC RECEPTION

Recently, I had the honour of accompanying our school captains, Ryan and Chelsea, to the Penrith Primary School Leaders Reception. The evening event is held each year to recognise the outstanding contribution young leaders make in their school communities. Ryan and Chelsea were presented their awards by Penrith Mayor Cllr John Thain. Both students are wonderful role models for our entire school and are deserving of this very special award. Congratulations to you both!



PARKING

School opening and closing hours are busy times for pedestrians and vehicles outside our school. We have received notice from our Local Area Command unit that additional patrols are currently targeting school zones of a morning and afternoon. They have provided us with the following information as a reminder for all motorists.

Park safely even if it means walking further to the school gate. Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on gazetted school days. Observe all parking signs. They are planned with children's safety in mind. Illegal parking around schools puts lives at risk. That's why Council and the Police take a 'zero tolerance' approach. Council Rangers, Parking Officers and Police regularly patrol schools across the Penrith LGA.

Parking in a No Parking area - means you can stop to drop off or pick up passengers for a **MAXIMUM of 2 MINUTES**. You must stay within 3 metres of the vehicle.

Parking in a No Stopping area - means you **CANNOT** stop in this area for **ANY** reason.

Parking in a Bus Zone area - means you **CANNOT** stop or park unless you are driving a bus.

SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES

WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?*

FACT Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need **YOU** to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.



No Parking
No waiting. You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick-up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.

PENALTIES FROM
\$183
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



No Stopping
You must not stop on a length of road with a No Stopping sign. The first 10m from an intersection is a no stopping zone. Yellow kerb lines are also No Stopping zones.

PENALTIES FROM
\$330
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



Bus Zone
Only a public bus can stop in a bus zone.

PENALTIES FROM
\$330
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS



Mobile Phones
Extra fines apply for using mobile phones in a school zone.

PENALTIES FROM
\$439
+ 4 DEMERIT POINTS

May be subject to Double Demerits



Speeding Offences
40km/h is the limit. Children are vulnerable, so slow down in school zones.

PENALTIES FROM
\$192
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS

May be subject to Double Demerits

Pedestrian Crossings

1. In a queue of traffic, no part of your vehicle can stop on a pedestrian crossing.
2. Do not let your child in or out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing as this is a No Stopping zone.

PENALTIES FROM
\$439
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS

Driveways & Footpaths

Do not park on or across a driveway or footpath.

PENALTIES FROM
\$330
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS

U turns

Illegal on or near a pedestrian crossing and across double white lines.

PENALTIES FROM
\$330
+ 3 DEMERIT POINTS

Double Parking

Double parking is illegal and is very dangerous in a school zone.

PENALTIES FROM
\$330
+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS

PENRITH CITY COUNCIL

Blacktown City Council

*Fines current as of March 2018. Fines and demerit points are subject to change. For more information check out the NSW Centre for Road Safety website.

MEDICATIONS

At this time of the year we start to see an increase in the number of our students getting sick. If your child needs medication to be administered during school hours, parents are required to complete a form at the office detailing the medication that needs to be given. All medications must remain in original packaging and should clearly show the child's name if the medication is a prescription. Medications must remain in the office during the day. We have had a couple of incidents of late where students have had medication in their bags. This is a potentially dangerous situation and I ask that you ensure no medications are ever given to your child to administer on their own. Asthma puffers, however, should always remain with students.



PLAYGROUND ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

Each break time our dedicated staff provide 'Fun and Games' for our students. The planned activities provide structured options for our students who can sometimes have trouble selecting appropriate games to play with their peers. Each day the activities change and rotate over a two week period. This week, I was lucky enough to receive four beautiful pieces of art made with buttons from the craft group. A huge thank you to Paige, Chloe, Ella-Rose and Teeara for your amazing creations. I cannot wait to hang them in my office to share with visitors. A special thank you to Mrs O'Connor who continues to amaze with her creative activities!

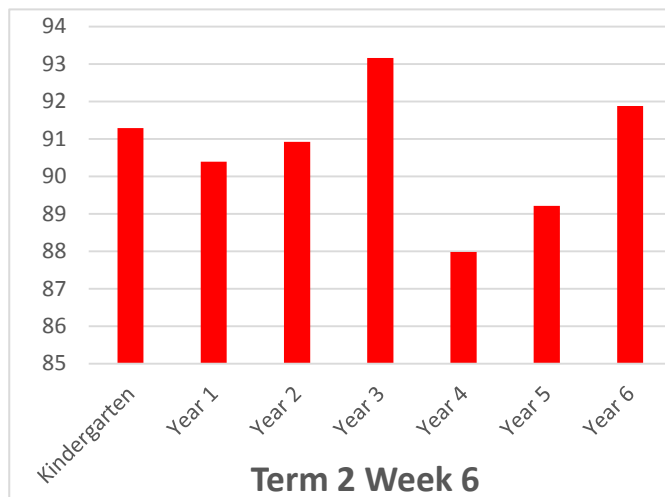
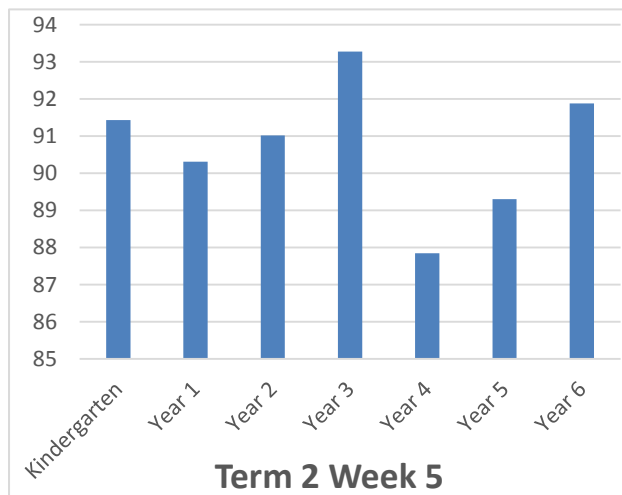


ATTENDANCE

Thank you to the families who have been sending notes to school to explain absences. Our whole school attendance record though remains below our target of 93%. Every day is vital in ensuring that our students receive the very best education possible. Missing just one day significantly interrupts the planned learning cycle of lessons that our teachers carefully prepare for.

Whole School Attendance – Term 2

Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	91.36%	91.42%	91.17%	91.02%	90.80%	90.74%				



Congratulations to the following classes for having the highest attendance rates over the last 2 weeks and for meeting our school target.

Week 5 – 6 Jarrah 93.74%

Week 6 – 3 Lilly Pilly 93.44%

ATTENDANCE



MATTERS

every school day counts.

Thank you to the families who have generously provided uniforms to our second-hand clothes rack. Clothing items that are donated are available outside the front office. We are still having a large number of clothing items that are finding their way to lost property without names. Whilst every effort is made to ensure lost items are returned, without names this becomes a most difficult task. Please check that your child's clothing, especially hats and jumpers, have their name clearly printed on the inside labels.

'Strength doesn't come from what you can do. It comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't!'

Mrs Parrello

Principal

We're Kicking Our Goals!

Well done to the following amazing students who have been kicking their learning goals. We continue to be so impressed by the drive and grit shown by our students as they persevere with their learning.

Congratulations to:

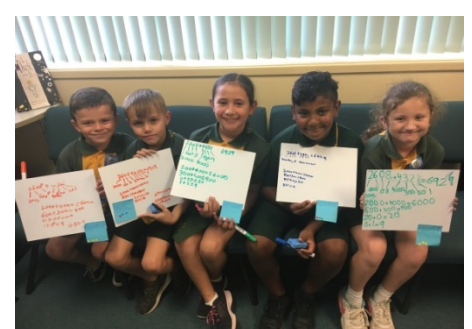
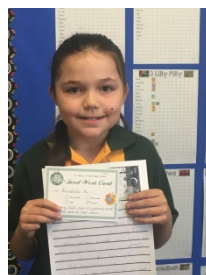
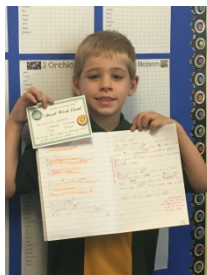
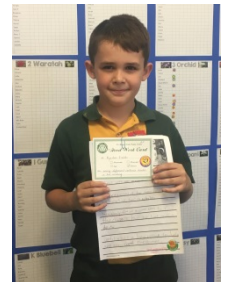
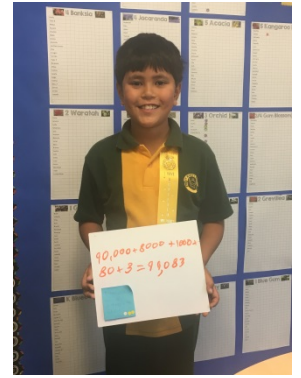
1 Protea – Calay and Nita

3 Lilly Pilly - Lincoln, Bellah, Edward, Kyedon, Makayla, Maria and Brianna.

3 Orchid - Matilda, Amelia, Akuila, Jason, Aiden, Kye, Lochlan, Cailin, Alexi, Natasha, Elizabeth, Yinaar-Karlin, Leo, Pakizah Annabella, Janitta and Taylan

6 Eucalyptus – Kaylah, Annika, Kyeesha, Kiera, Arasi and Jazzy

6 Jarrah – Laveena and Seth



- Fun Times in 2W

We have had some fun times in 2W this term. We have been learning about so many different things and would love to share some of our favourite highlights.

In English, we have been learning how to write information reports about different environments and habitats. First, we explored and wrote about the Daintree Rainforest in far north Queensland. This is such a fascinating place with so many different animals and plants including 223 species of butterflies and a plant called a 'Chocolate Pudding plant'. We then moved onto learning about the wonderful world of Antarctica and were lucky enough to have Mr Phil Davey come in and share his own experiences and adventures in Antarctica. Phil shared many wonderful photos and videos with us of cute penguins, seals and the special boat that could break through the ice.

We have all done such great writing about Antarctica, that we all were placed on our class Wall of Fame for being 'Awesome Writers'!!



Another of our favourite experiences this term has been our study of the orchestra and the symphony 'The Carnival of the Animals' by Camille Saint-Saens. We have learnt about the different instruments in the orchestra and explored how music can represent and capture the characteristics of different animals. We have marched like lions, danced the 'can-can' like tortoises and the 'waltz' like elephants, and swooped and danced like birds in an aviary. We have enjoyed these musical lessons with both 2F and 2G in the Hall.





Principal's Awards



**Ryan Croft
Chelsea Koprivcic
Hamza Abdul Rehman
Ryder Hanslow
Leilani Siafolau
Curtis Watters
Taylah Sait
Daniella Dee
Bailey Hepenstall
Emillia Cartwright
Bellah Cook
Alexi Lyons
Vanessa Pijov
Adam Bartlett
Tike Thornton-Finn
Kayleigh Collins**

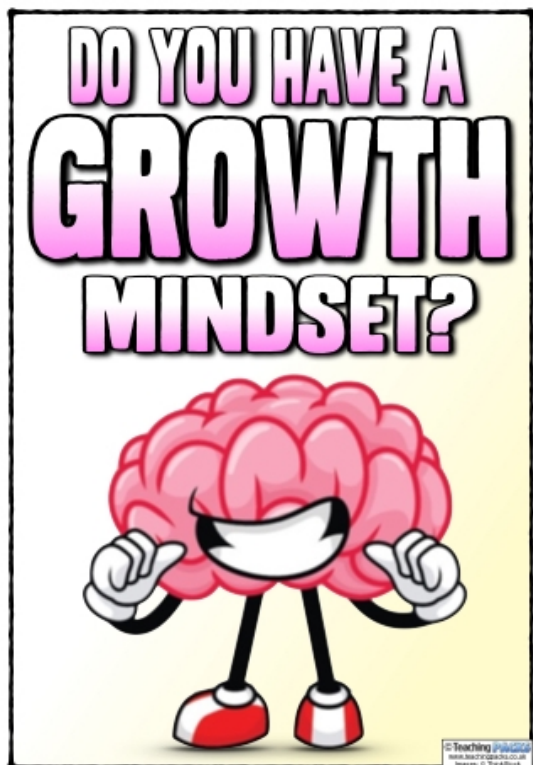
Banner of Excellence

Chelsea Koprivcic

WEEK 3	Safe	Safe-Look ahead and around	WEEK 4	Learner	Learner - Go directly to your learning
 K BLUEBELL	Selomiti Taufa	Jayden Denner	 K BLUEBELL	Lincon Anderson	Sharnie-Lee Douglas
 K DAISY	Arizona Dando	Joshua Gray	 K DAISY	Christina	Hayden Elphick
 K COOLABAH	James Weterings	Ainslee Grisedale	 K COOLABAH	Olive June Pologa	Logan Watson
 1 GUMNUT	Ryan Croft	Isabella Baker	 1 GUMNUT	Xavier Tootoo	Sisilia Ikamanu
 1 PROTEA	Manaola Kaufusi	May Aiono	 1 PROTEA	Mason Paul	Tony Seu
 1 BLUE GUM	Kayla Brooks	Kile Pannaye	 1 BLUE GUM	Shyla Jeffery	Wyatt Fry
 2 FRANGIPANI	Elle Lyons	Sionefonau Ikamanu	 2 FRANGIPANI	Ariela Niko	Jayden Watson
 2 WARATAH	Omar Abdul Rehman	Sebastian Aung	 2 WARATAH	Mia-Rose Robinson	Lote Makasini
 2 GREVILLEA	Levi Tobin	Jacob King	 2 GREVILLEA	Ellie Cook	Alicia Soltani
 3 LILLY PILLY	Lincoln Vassallo	Edward Hatfield	 3 LILLY PILLY	Miley Alderton	Madison Mount-Parker
 3 ORCHID	Koby Halvorson	Oceana Kemara	 3 ORCHID	Matilda Watters	Janitta Dixon
 3-4 GUM BLOSSOM	Abubakar Abdul-Rehman	Angelique Watters	 3-4 GUM BLOSSOM	Olivia Koprivcic	Bailey Cook-Thompson
 4 JACARANDA	Cooper Edwards	Janaali Skinner	 4 JACARANDA	Aiden Dunn	Marcus Spiteri
 4 BANKSIA	Mokai Bonser	Saige Spaulding	 4 BANKSIA	Emily Bartlett	Jordan Howes
 5 ACACIA	Aleisha Hammond	Nate Christensen	 5 ACACIA	Natarlia Young	Gracie Haynes
 5 KANGAROO PAW	Brooke Jackson	Zoe-Jane Hill	 5 KANGAROO PAW	Archie Skinner	Jemaine Marshall-Taylor
 6 JARRAH	Ford Waters	Trump Thornton-Fnn	 6 JARRAH	Seth Armodoros	Juleita Holden
 6 EUCALYPTUS	Curtis Watters	Kaylah Robertson	 6 EUCALYPTUS	Adam Bartlett	Ashlee

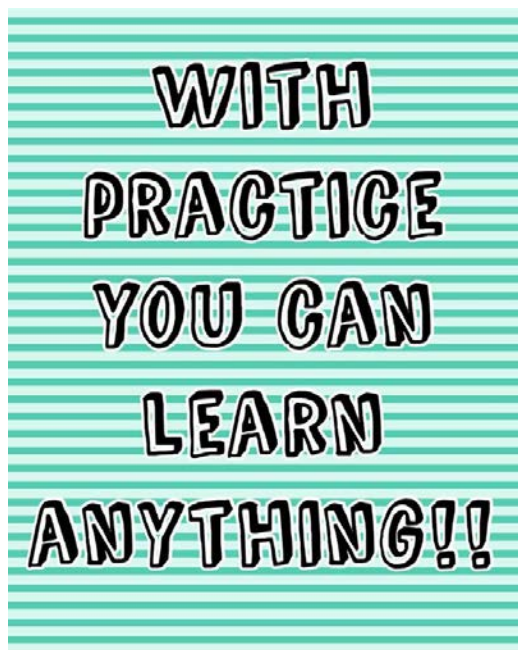
WEEK 5	Responsible	Walk to lines when the music starts	WEEK 6	Respectful	Respectful Include others
 K BLUEBELL	Braysten Corrigan	Holly Hayes	 K BLUEBELL	Jayden Mamoe	Ruby Collins
 K DAISY	Mia Haynes	Uthman Arab	 K DAISY	Ace Sivanila	Charlotte Habib
 K COOLABAH	Wallace Cox	Lakyn Davis	 K COOLABAH	Annabelle Clavan	Kayden Bentley
 1 GUMNUT	Leah Hyde	Xavier Tootoo	 1 GUMNUT	Noah Armodoros	Bryson Young
 1 PROTEA	Skye Thompson	Hennessy Higbid	 1 PROTEA	Charmelle Miller	Caleb Bater
 1 BLUE GUM	Buloo Yuruul Hopkins-Kinchela	Sophia Walker	 1 BLUE GUM	Keiralee Knox	Katie Barber
 2 FRANGIPANI	Xavier Habib	Logan Hayes	 2 FRANGIPANI	Jason Li	Teloha Toloa
 2 WARATAH	J.D. Bradford	Kevin O'Neill	 2 WARATAH	Amarra Akuta	Emilee-Rose Westbrook
 2 GREVILLEA	Sanvi Sahdev	Chloe McAlister	 2 GREVILLEA	Jessica Clavan	Axle Ryan
 3 LILLY PILLY	Chrissy	Bryanna Walsh	 3 LILLY PILLY	Elijah Molloy	Torren Seu
 3 ORCHID	Kye Davis	Alexi Lyons	 3 ORCHID	Matilda Watters	Jason Bailey
 3-4 GUM BLOSSOM	Manamo'ui Ikamanu	Connor Knibbs	 3-4 GUM BLOSSOM	Ryan Rich	Lucas McAlister
 4 JACARANDA	Kiara Thomas	Enoka Fretton	 4 JACARANDA	Mia Huikuri	Eli Eagleton
 4 BANKSIA	Tiahna Ritchie	Tyler Bater	 4 BANKSIA	Tyler Price	Lachlain-James Moore
 5 ACACIA	Michaylah Holden	Nikora Rogers	 5 ACACIA	Amalia Bradney	Hamza Abdul Rehman
 5 KANGAROO PAW	Bellah Vitnell	Chelsey Tideswell	 5 KANGAROO PAW	Archie Skinner	Chelsey Tideswell
 6 JARRAH	Leveena Shadev	Dylan Brybag	 6 JARRAH	Shaylee Blanchard	Faith Alderton
 6 EUCALYPTUS	Tatiana Rewi	Ryan Hyde	 6 EUCALYPTUS	Ashlee	Harly Tobin

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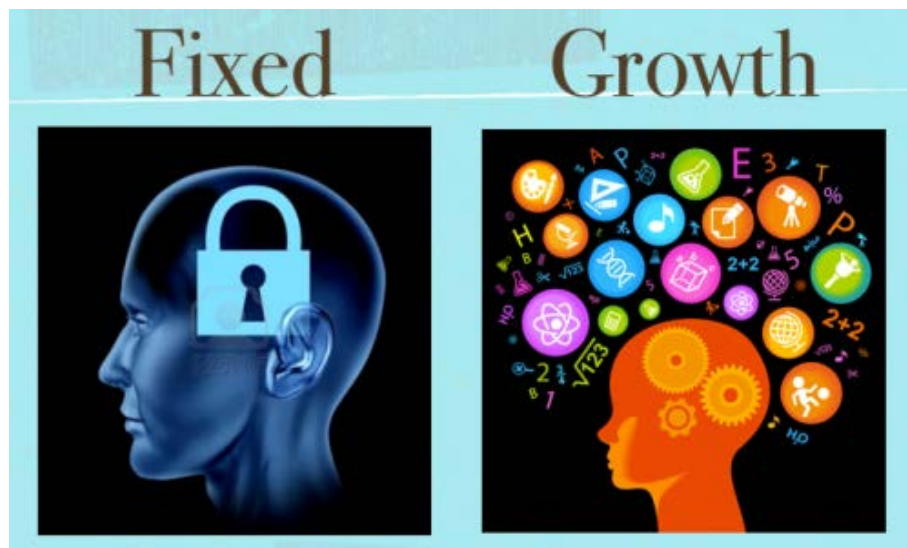


Do you have a positive growth mindset?

Our growth mindset quote this fortnight is...



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



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In a
WORLD
where you can be
anything
BE KIND

Mrs. ADK

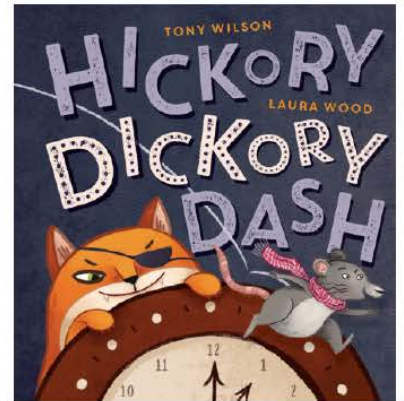
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National Simultaneous Storytime 2018

Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries and schools. This year the book was *Hickory Dickory Dash* written by Tony Wilson and illustrated by Laura Wood. All classes across the school participated in activities to celebrate the event.



- Kindergarten - painted a clock and used coloured paper to create a mouse for the nursery rhyme Hickory Dickory Dock. Kinder Coolabah made a Mouse Trap in their room.
- Stage 1 Year One - used the cat from the story as a stimulus for painting and imaginative writing. Year Two - painted their favourite room and matched it to text.
- Stage 2 - wrote book reviews and published them either as a word document or on Orbit to accompany their painting of their favourite part of the text.
- Stage 3 - designed eye catching new book covers with a persuasive blurb on the back for the book





Families are more than welcome to visit the library to see all the classes' work on display or log onto Orbit to read the book reviews.



THESE PASSAGES ARE BASED ON A SENTENCE FROM 4J'S A.L. TEXT 'POG' BY LYN LEE. THE CHILDREN KEPT THE STRUCTURE THE AUTHOR HAD USED, BUT CHANGED MANY OF THE WORDS TO FIT THEIR OWN STORY.

Dobby opened the chest and there, buried under a pile of hair, ears large and lean, hair fluffy and furry, and tail floppy and wavy, was ... a baby do with THREE heads.

Eli Eagleton

Harley Quinn snuck into the bank and there, hiding in the shadows, clothes black and bat-like, eyes frightening and fearless, and cape flapping like a wave, was ... Batman.

Kiara Thomas

Ariel swam across the kingdom and there, hidden between the fresh pink coral, skin scaly and sliver, eyes blue and bright, and tail flicking rocks behind it, was... a lion fish.

Liana Haynes and Janaali Skinner

Harry opened the vault door and there, half-buried under piles of golden coins, legs skipping and skinny, neck long and lovely, and eyes wide and black like a deep hole, was ... the Joker.

Marcus Spiteri

Ariel swam through the coral and there, hiding behind some sea weed, skin great and grey, teeth pointy and petrifying, and eyes wide open in a dark scary way, was ... a shark.

Ruby Pannaye

Harry opened the vault door and there, half-buried under piles and piles of lots of golden coins, body skinny and scrawny, ears pink and pointy, and a cloth sack tied at the neck instead of clothes was...a house elf.

Madi Eggemolesse

Black Panther climbed the mountain and there, standing on the high summit, suit gleaming and golden, chain spiky and sparkling, and mask staring with black, eyes, was ... another evil Black Panther.

Logan Thoms

Charmander entered Mt Moon and there, hidden inside a deep cave, its shape round and rock-like, its fire burning and bright, and its yellow colour gleaming in the darkness, was ... a fire stone.

Ian Waters

CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 11th May, all 8 - 13 year olds raced in the school Cross Country. The course was on the grassed area and around the entire school. Students were red faced and speeding through the wild winds. We were so impressed with the effort and participation of all students. Thank you to all the classes who came out to cheer on their peers.

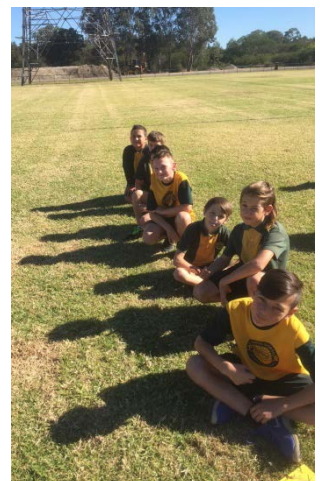
Mr Cox and Mrs Shields



DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday 23 May Mr Cox and Mrs Shields had the pleasure of accompanying 56 students from Norths to the District Cross Country carnival at the Kingsway Playing Fields in St Marys. They competed against students from 10 other schools, with each student running in one of the eight races, depending on their age. Huge congratulations go to all the children who competed for giving their all and doing their school proud. Well done!

Particular congratulations go to five students who finished in the top eight of their respective races, and therefore qualified to run in the Area carnival in Eastern Creek on 13th June. Well done to Kiara Thomas (turning 8/9), Saige Spalding (turning 10), Lucy Doole-Dunham (turning 11) and to Jack Alderton and James Smith (turning 12/13). We wish you the best of luck for your next run, and we know you will do our school proud once more!



MIX & MINGLE



Last Thursday, was the first gathering of the Mix & Mingle for Term 2, at the Community Junction. It was a belated 'Mother's Day Pampering' afternoon. We offered back massages and nail care. We started with finger soaks in scented warm water followed by an offer of hand and cuticle cream. Those who wanted to participate had their nails painted. It was all received by a friendly, happy group of parents and friends who joked, laughed and enjoyed afternoon tea.

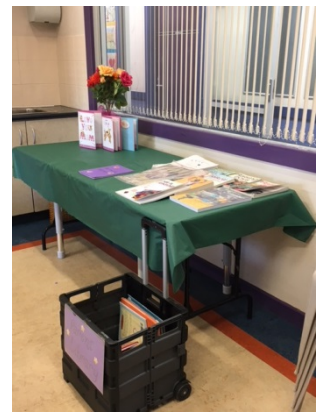
The 'Mix & Mingle' group is a great school community activity to belong to. If you are looking for an easy going, relaxed way of becoming more involved in your child's education and meeting other parents/ friends then

this is the group to try! We are very welcoming and really look forward to new members joining us!

CRAFT GROUP WITH MRS MARINA O'CONNOR

Our 'Fun and Games' timetable has been operating for more than 6 month, now. One of the activities proving very popular is the craft. This is supervised by Mrs O'Connor (School Learning Support Officer, SLSO). The students have produced some amazing craft pieces. The latest one is art made of buttons. They are really very impressive. The students learned about shading and using colour. Photos of the pieces will be displayed in the office window. Many other activities are available including the colouring competition. Two winners are chosen each week and they receive a prize with their work on display on the outside door of 'The Rainforest' which is next to Mrs Judd / Mrs Taylor's room – 3/4G.

Please take time to take a look and lots of photos of the 'Fun and Games' activities are posted on our Facebook page. Special thanks to all the SLSOs and teachers who supervise these at break times.



Craft-Button Art



PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

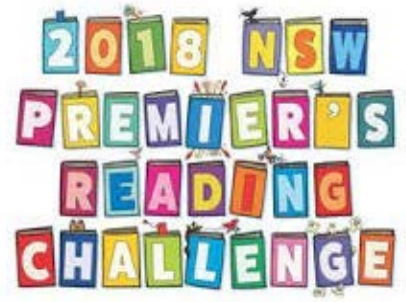
Well done to the following Years 3-6 students who have also completed this year's Challenge independently:

Azaria 4B, Leilani 5K, Elizabeth 3O, Elijah 3O, Cailin 3O, Ella 5A, Tahlia 6J, Chelsea 6E, Taylan 3O, Akuila 3O, Matilda 3O, Emma 4B and Amalia 5A.

What champions!

You have **12** weeks left to finish your 20 books.

YOU CAN DO IT!



LIBRARY BORROWING COMPETITIONS

The winners of the individual borrowing competition were:

K-2 Emilee-Rose 2W and 3-6 Kye 3O

Both students received a wonderful book prize!

LIBRARY

If your child is away on their library day, please remember that they can always come to the library straight after school when they come back to return and borrow or between 9 and 10am with their class teacher's permission.

K-4 students need a library bag to borrow. Any type of fabric or plastic bag is acceptable.

Remember to be a Champion Borrower, students need to return and borrow every week each term.



BOOK CLUB

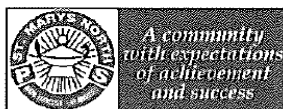
Just a reminder that book club closes on Monday 18th June. If your child received a voucher last year for reading 150 home readers please remember that the voucher will need to be used for this book club issue or it will expire. If you have misplaced your voucher please contact Miss Campbell.

Why did the banana go to the doctors?



Because it wasn't peeling well.

Kindly given by Paige Stacy



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General Permission to Publish and disclose information

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a part of our annual update of records, I am seeking your permission to allow the school/Department of Education to publish and/or disclose information about your child for the purposes of sharing his/her experiences with students, informing the school and broader community about school and student activities and recording student participation in noteworthy projects or community service.

This information may include your child's name, class and information collected at school such as photographs, sound and visual recordings of your child, your child's work and expressions of opinion such as in interactive media.

The communications in which your child's information may be published or disclosed include but are not limited to:

- Public websites of the Department of Education including the school website, the Department of education intranet (staff only), blogs and wikis
- Department of Education publications including the school newsletter, annual school report, promotional material published in print and electronically including on the Department's websites
- Official Department and school media accounts on networks such as YouTube, Facebook and Twitter
- Local and metropolitan newspapers and magazines and other media outlets

Parents should be aware that when information is published on public websites and social media channels, it can be discoverable online for a number of years, if not permanently. Search engines may also cache or retain copies of published information. Third parties can also link to published information.

Please complete the permission slip and return to the school by Friday 18th May 2018.

Please be aware that if you DO NOT give permission to publish, your child's photograph cannot be published in our school newsletter, on our school website or our school Facebook page.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Lisa Parrello
Principal
8 May 2018

Permission to Publish – St Marys North Public School

I have read this permission to publish information and:

Tick the appropriate box

☐ I give permission OR

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To the school/Department of Education to publish information about my child as described above, including in publicly accessible communications. This signed permission remains effective until I advise the school otherwise.

Child's name:

Parent/carer/caregiver's name:

Parent/care/caregiver's signature: Date:

