



Norths' News



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

Monday	10 June 2019	Queen's Birthday Long Weekend
Tuesday	11 June 2019	P&C Meeting – 9.30am
Wednesday	12 June 2019	K-2 Athletic Carnival
Monday	17 June 2019	Bee Day – Dress in Black and Yellow Gold Coin Donation Senior Dance Auditions
Thursday	20 June 2019	Life Education K-2 Assembly 12.50pm – Run by 1 Amethyst
Friday	21 June 2019	Life Education

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7 June 2019

MRS GREENOW'S RETIREMENT

At the end of this term, Mrs Jackie Greenow will be retiring after many years of service to both students and community. Mrs Greenow has been a part of the St Marys North community for the past 23 years working as our Community Liaison Officer. During this time she has formed close bonds with generations of our families and has helped to make our school a wonderful place to be. I know she has a special place in all of our hearts. We are inviting anyone who would like to give their best wishes to Mrs Greenow to join with us in the hall on the last day of term, Friday 5 July at 2.30pm. We also have a small book at the office, where we would love community members to write a small note of thanks and best wishes, which will be given to Mrs Greenow on her last day. Mrs Greenow's retirement will mark the end of an incredible working life for an amazing lady who has dedicated her life to improving community and helping others.



CREATING HEALTHY DIGITAL HABITS IN KIDS

Research has consistently shown that children are being exposed to rising amounts of screen time in recent years. The effects of this increased amount of time tethered to a digital device, at times can be concerning. Together, we need to ensure that our students become safe consumers of digital knowledge and are made aware of the implications of inappropriate digital use. At school, our students are taught cyber safety lessons as part of their normal interactions with technology. At home, we ask that parents are aware of the interactions children are having online. We often find that inappropriate conversations made online outside of school time are then brought into the classroom. Setting your kids up with good online habits and being aware of their online interactions will help make safe practises the norm.



The following website has great information for parents and carers on keeping children safe.
<https://www.digitalcitizenship.nsw.edu.au/>

SCHOOL UPGRADES

Keep an eye out over the rest of this term for some improvements and new additions to our school grounds and play areas. We are very excited! A reminder that the canteen is now closed for the remainder of the term. Thank you for your understanding while the upgrades take place.

‘When you enter our school You are scientists. You are explorers. You are important. You are cared for. You are respected. You are a friend. You are the reason we are here!’

Mrs Parrello

Principal

NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

Our school grounds are open and supervised for students from 8.30am and also to our parents who may wish to make a payment or purchase school uniforms at the office. The gates are closed at 9.30am and re-open at 2.50pm for students to be collected.

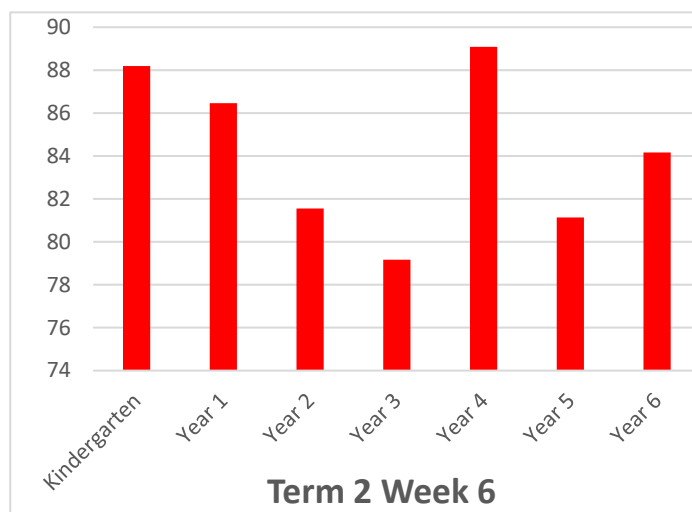
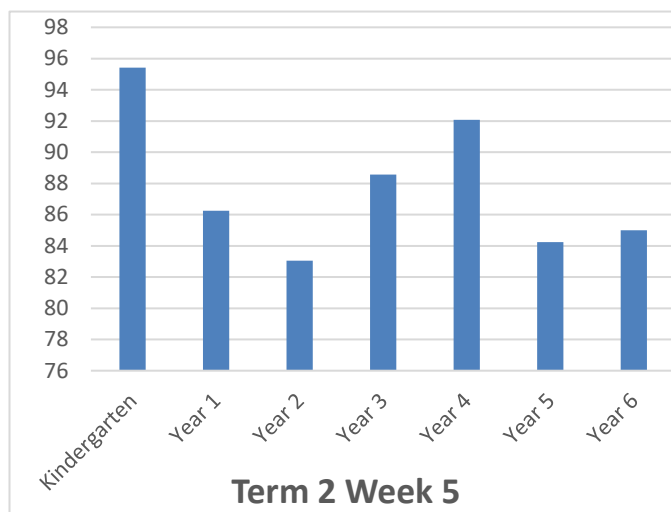
School hours are 9am until 3pm each day. Here at Norths we let our students know that the bell is about to ring with a song that is played 3 minutes before the bell. This prompts students to make their way to the classroom so that they are ready on time for learning to begin. If your child is late, and arrives after the 9am bell, they are required to go the office to receive a late note. Please be advised that late arrival at school still requires an explanation from parents and carers, either by letting the office know directly or written advice.

Mrs Sandie Homfray
School Administrative Manager

DON'T GIVE UP
UNTIL YOU'RE
PROUD

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – TERM 2

Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	91.69%	91.40%	88.39%	85.79	87.77	84.27				



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

Week 5 – K Aquamarine 97.89%

Week 6 - 4/5 Emeralds 94.05%



The 2019 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge finishes on 30 August 2019.

Years 3-6: You have 10 weeks left to finish reading your 20 books.

You can do it!



Principal's Awards



Leon Singh
Akuila Namoli
Belinda Taylor
Leilani Siafolau
Leah Hyde
Lachlan Martin
Bailey Blewitt
Matilda Watters



































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:

3 Topaz – Ryder, Connor, Chloe, Neveah, Omar and Emilee.



WEEK 5	Responsible	Responsible walking to lines when the music starts	WEEK 6	Respectful	Respectful Including others
<div></div> <div>K-AQUAMARINE</div>	Malakai Stewart	Alira Ford	<div></div> <div>K-AQUAMARINE</div>	Harper Hanslow	Ryan Robinson
<div></div> <div>K-OPAL</div>	NJ Collis	Olivia Fuller	<div></div> <div>K-OPAL</div>	Levi Kingston	Tahira Noreen
<div></div> <div>K /1-ONYX</div>	Cassidy Taylor	Ellie-Kate Carroll	<div></div> <div>K /1-ONYX</div>	Romio Kemara	Edward Owen
<div></div> <div>1-AMETHYST</div>	Olivejune Pologa	Emma Nouata	<div></div> <div>1-AMETHYST</div>	Emily Rich	Ssamuel Enriquez
<div></div> <div>1-MOONSTONE</div>	Lianna	James Weterings	<div></div> <div>1-MOONSTONE</div>	Seon Singh	Ainslee Grisedale
<div></div> <div>1/2-DIAMOND</div>	Ace Sivanila	Jayden Denner	<div></div> <div>1/2-DIAMOND</div>	Tony Seu	Mia Haynes
<div></div> <div>2-JADE</div>	Saam Soltani	Wyatt Fry	<div></div> <div>2-JADE</div>	Ebenezer Nomor	May Aiono
<div></div> <div>2-PEARL</div>	Olivia Ritchie	Isabella Baker	<div></div> <div>2-PEARL</div>	Bryson Young	Sandar Tun
<div></div> <div>3-SAPPHIRE</div>	Lydia Allanson	Taylor Shuttleworth	<div></div> <div>3-SAPPHIRE</div>	Axle Ryan	Allyse Mallitt-MacDougall
<div></div> <div>3-TOPAZ</div>	Omar Abdul-Rehman	Jayleese Sivanila	<div></div> <div>3-TOPAZ</div>	Levi Tobin	Mia Van Meurs
<div></div> <div>3/4-SUNSTONE</div>	Izayah Field	Amelia Kavana	<div></div> <div>3/4-SUNSTONE</div>	Maddison Mount-Parker	Akuila Namoli
<div></div> <div>4-QUARTZ</div>	Gordon Vaa	Oceana Kemara	<div></div> <div>4-QUARTZ</div>	Natasha King	Angelika Howes
<div></div> <div>4/5-EMERALD</div>	Jackson Sumner	Elijah Eagleton	<div></div> <div>4/5-EMERALD</div>	Liana Haynes	Elijah Brybag
<div></div> <div>5-JASPER</div>	Dominik Jones	Janaali Skinner	<div></div> <div>5-JASPER</div>	Rozane Chand	Marcus Spiteri
<div></div> <div>5/6-COBALT</div>	Lika Notata	Jermaine Marshall- Taylor	<div></div> <div>5/6-COBALT</div>	Eli Matagia	Jaydaleah Browning
<div></div> <div>6-RUBY</div>	Dekota Kemara	Bryce Atkins	<div></div> <div>6-RUBY</div>	Ethan Schempp	Lucy Doole-Dunham

The bees are here!



We're
BUZZING
with
excitement!

RESPECTING OUR BEES

After all the work that the 'Bee Team' has put into creating our school's bee garden it is hugely disappointing to report that there have been some people within our school community that have not treated this area respectfully.

Wednesday afternoon, some families visited 'Beetopia' after school. Sadly, there have been flowers pulled off plants, dirt put into the bee bath and white rocks from the bee bath have been scattered throughout the garden site.

This area is out of bounds before and after school, as well as during school times, if a teacher is not present. A note will also come home today to all families informing them of the times students and community members can visit 'Beetopia'.



SUPPORTING LITTLE LEARNERS AT NORTHS

Come and join us for Rooby Roo's birthday on the Rooby Roo Reading Verandah on Tuesday 18 June 2019 at 8:40am. We will be celebrating the Paint the Town REaD Reading Day and Rooby's Birthday.

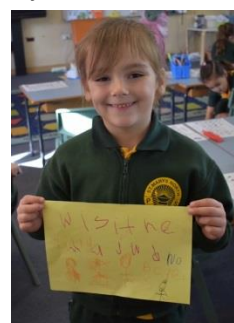
After the celebrations, parents and carers of 2020 Kindergarten students are invited to come and join us for a pre-Kindergarten orientation meeting to walk through a Kindergarten classroom and talk about Kindergarten readiness skills. We will look closer at pre literacy skills in the lead up to starting school next year, and how to prepare children for early reading skills with the support of our partnership with United Way and the Imagination Library.

Where: Aboriginal Community Room, St Marys North PS

When: Tuesday 18 June at 9 -10.30am

RSVP: Friday 14 June, to the office or on the school Facebook Event page.

Note the meeting is for parents only, please RSVP if toddlers and pre-schoolers will be accompanying you. This is not orientation. Kinder Orientation Dates are Tuesday 5, Wednesday 13 and Thursday 21 November 2019



Kindergarten Transition 2020

Kindergarten Orientation Dates

Tuesday 5 November

Wednesday 13 November

Thursday 21 November

All sessions starting at 9:30am



COME &
JOIN OUR
GREAT
SCHOOL



ST MARYS NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

WE
WELCOME
THE CLASS
OF 2020

Dates for the calendar for 'Little Learners' at Norths

St Marys North Public School

Thursdays
Terms 3 and 4
9.30am - 11.30am

Starts 1st August
meet at
North St Marys Neighbourhood Centre

"Starting School Group"



A relaxed playgroup that gradually introduces the family to school life.

- Qualified educator to facilitate
- FREE—no cost
- Creates friendships
- Educational and fun
- Builds confidence
- Helps familiarise children and their family with the environment

More info phone school on 96 231 505 or Kim Martin on 0423 720 492

Bring a healthy snack, water and a hat for your child

connect
CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

COMMUNITY BASED
FAMILY SUPPORT

St Mary's North Public School Starting School Group

Starts August 1st 2019

9.30 am—11.30 am

Thursday Mornings

@ St Marys North Community Centre

Free Play
Learning

Do you have a child starting kindergarten next year?

Group
Activities

Join us for a starting school playgroup. It helps provide a gentle introduction to school life through play.

Please bring some fruit, a bottle of water and a hat for your child.

Parents stay with their child at the playgroup. Siblings can attend.

Each morning there will be free play, group time and morning tea.

Stories &
Games

Children not attending any other Early Childhood Services have priority of access.

Visit Areas
of the
School



For more information please phone
School on 02 9623 1443 or Kim Martin at Connect Child and
Family Services on 0423 720 492

Reading Aloud at Norths



The Paint Australia REaD Book Relay 2019



We have been celebrating reading aloud at St Marys North PS this term. We have completed the 21 Day Read Aloud Challenge and participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime event across the school. Last week we continued reading aloud with all classes K-6 participating in the Penrith Paint the Town REaD National Book Relay. The Reading Book Baton was handed to us from St Marys Public School and all classes participated in the National Book Relay as the Book Baton visited each class. Each student passed the Book Baton and students either read aloud or listened to a story being read aloud. At the end of the week, Rooby Roo came to collect the Reading Book Baton from our school leaders to pass onto the next school. It was exciting to be part of the National Book Relay and celebrate reading aloud. Our next read aloud event will occur on Tuesday 18 June for Rooby's Birthday. We will celebrate reading aloud for the Paint the Town REaD National Reading Day on the Rooby Roo Reading Verandah. After this event we will be inviting parents and carers of 2020 Kindergarten students to come and join us for a pre-Kindergarten orientation meeting in the Aboriginal Community Room and walk through the Kindergarten classrooms and talk about Kindergarten readiness skills.



Life Education

'Empowering our children and young people to make safer and healthier choices through education'

Life Education, Healthy Harold is visiting and we would like to invite all parents and guardians from Kindergarten - Year 6 from St Marys North Public School to attend a free parent information session. Our dedicated educator will be able to discuss the programs we offer, links to your child's home and school learning, answer questions and discuss any concerns or queries.

The session runs for approximately 30minutes and will be held in the mobile classroom. Please feel free to come along to our informal session, even if it's just to say hello to Harold.

Parent Session
Friday 21.06.2019
9:15am - 9:45am


Mobile Bus located near the Debrincat Ave staff carpark

If you cannot make the session, please refer to our online parent resources at:
www.lifeeducation.org.au



Life Education 2019

	Friday 21/6	Monday 24/6	Tuesday 25/6	Wednesday 26/6	Thursday 27/6	Friday 28/6
9:15am	Parent Session	3T	4/5E	5/6C	6R	K/10
11:40am	3S	3/4S	2P	5J	1A	4Q
2:00pm	KO	KA	1/2D	2J	1M	

Kindergarten	Stage 1 (Year 1 & 2)	Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4)	Stage 3 (Year 5 & 6)
 <p>My Body Matters Designed for foundation students, focusing on hygiene, nutrition, physical activity, and safety at home, school, and in the community.</p>	 <p>Safety Rules! Year 1 and 2 students find out how to seek out safe spaces and how friends can care for and support each other.</p>	 <p>Think Twice Empowering year 3 and 4 students to make educated decisions around alcohol consumption</p>	 <p>Mind Your Medicine Year 3 and 4 students explore the world of medicines; how they help, affect the body and why some people need them.</p>

CANBERRA CAMP

Final payments for camp are due by Friday 7th June, 2019. It is also important that students return their completed medical forms to the front office as soon as possible.

For your information: Students from our school will soon be undertaking, an educational tour of our nation's capital - Canberra. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs.

Please note: This rebate has already been factored into the cost of camp this year.



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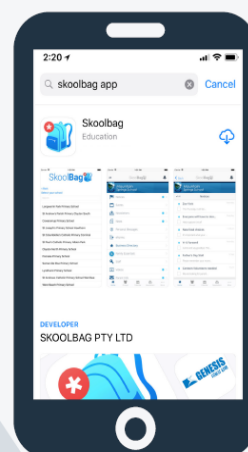


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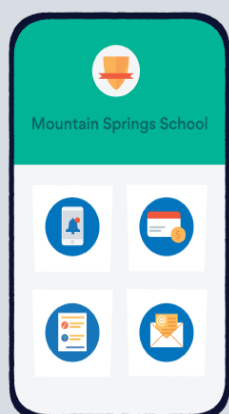
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