

## The River News

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### **Important Dates – TERM 4**

#### Week 4

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Boat Safety Talk

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November Leader 2017

Nomination Day

PSSA

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November RSL Movie Night

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Day

Service

#### Week 5

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November Leader Assembly

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Day

**PSSA** 

#### Week 6

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November School Spec

Rehearsal 3

5/6 Assembly

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November HOTSCOS Drama

Stage 1

Leader 2017 Speeches - Boys

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Nov HOTSCOS Drama

Stage 2

Leader 2017 Speeches - Girls

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November Leader 2017 Election

PSSA

#### **RNP Incursions**

Our school has had two incursions with staff from the Royal National Park Environmental Education Centre in the last fortnight. Our first incursion involved photography and invertebrates. A selection of the fantastic student photos are up on the school website.

Yesterday our compost bins were treated to a makeover. Students from 3/4B worked with Mrs Gallan to revitalise our composting program. Students learned about how composting works, the environmental benefits and how to maintain a healthy compost bin.

#### 3 for The Sea

3/4B is leading the charge with the environmental initiative **3 for The Sea.** Students are encouraged to collect three pieces of rubbish twice a week to stop rubbish ending up in our waterways. This is a fantastic initiative for our school as we are so close to the river and we can make a positive impact on our local and global environment.

#### Why we should participate in 3 for The Sea

By Byron and Jasper

Imagine a world without marine life. Do you know 3.5 billion pieces of rubbish are thrown into our oceans every day? And some takes up to 450 years to disintegrate. Do you know what happens to that rubbish? It is destroying our marine life. Intelligent people like us should know that this is a worldwide issue and if we continue to drop litter there is no doubt that we will destroy our oceans. We have an obligation to look after our precious world.

So what can you do to help with this environmental disaster? We can start saving our marine life by reducing the amount of plastic going in to the ocean. We can pick up 3 pieces of rubbish every time we go out. This is called 3 for The Sea! Did you know if every student in our school picked up 3 pieces of rubbish twice a week for a year, we would pick up 31, 200 pieces of rubbish! Now that is making a big difference. We strongly believe that everyone should help out by taking 3 for The Sea!





#### **Crazy Hair Day**

The Student Representative Council held Crazy Hair Day last week to raise funds for our Year Six Students (and parents) put extraordinary effort into the event and some designs were the most unique the staff have seen. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

#### **Public Speaking**

Congratulations to Chanelle, who represented the school at the Woronora River Network Public Speaking final at Kirrawee Public School last Thursday. Her prepared speech was presented magnificently and she presented her best impromptu given the challenging topic 'Opportunity Lost'. Congratulations on your great effort, Chanelle.

#### **ICAS Mathematics**

Earlier in the year, nine students from Years 3 to 6 the International Competitions sat and Assessments for Schools Mathematics assessments. Congratulations to the following students for their excellent results:

Distinction: Koby A. Credit: Marcus, Ethan Merit: Emma G.

#### **Water Polo Trials**

Ethan attended the Sydney East Water Polo trials earlier this week. Congratulations to Ethan who has been named as a reserve for the team.

#### **Schools Spec**

The Schools Spectacular is almost upon us. The dancers have 3 weeks to finalise their segment and polish their moves. The group attended their first rehearsal at Qudos Arena on Monday and scored a spot on Channel 7's Sunrise program. Thank you to all the parents who got up very early to have the dancers ready in full hair, makeup and costume.

#### **Remembrance Day**

The Woronora River RSL Sub-Branch is holding a commemorative service this Sunday Remembrance Day. All students are welcome to ioin the school leaders and Mrs Simula in the march from The Boatshed. Students should meet Mrs Simula at 10.15am. Thank you to the choir members who have committed to representing the school at this important community event.

#### White Ribbon

If you are able to assist with our White Ribbon community letterbox drop, please contact Mrs Begg as soon as possible.

#### **Movie Night**

Please note the change of date for the RSL Movie Night. It will be held this Saturday in Prince Edward Park from 4pm.

#### **Boat Safety Talk**

Many of our students travel up and down the river by boat and enjoy water related activities on the river. Students will be participating in a boat safety talk tomorrow to remind them about the dangers of the river and how to reduce risks and keep themselves safe. Information regarding boating licences will also be distributed to older students.

#### **Bunnings BBQ**

The P&C is holding a BBQ at Bunnings Kirrawee on Sunday 13th November. Please log on to schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code frh7c to indicate the times you are able to assist. Donation requests for each class have been sent home. Please check the school website notes tab if you are unsure of the donation requested. Donations are able to be dropped to your child's classroom up until Friday 11th November.

#### Selective High School 2018

Students in Year 5 seeking to apply for Selective High School in 2018 should apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shplacement. This application website closes on Monday 14th November. Parents should be aware that no late applications will be accepted.

#### **Sports Reports**

Non PSSA:

Last week our non PSSA students played T-Ball. Everyone improved significantly from the previous week, which is great. We all had a great fielding game, communicating well, using plans and strategies and throwing and catching the ball properly. The player of the game was Wil for making consistent plays, trying his best, helping his team by offering them tips and never giving up.

#### SENIOR GIRLS:

On Friday 28th October, the Senior Wonnie girls played Sylvania Heights B. Unfortunately we lost 34-23 in one of our best games. Keely moved up the court well, Bridey was strong in defence while





Tahmea scored most of our baskets. The Girl of the Game goes to Chanelle, for stepping up all over the court and helping us in both defence and attack. Good game girls.

#### **SENIOR BOYS:**

On Friday 28th October, the Senior Wonnie Boys, with the help of Byron, played against Sylvania Heights B. It was our closest game, we lost 8-7 in the final minutes. Koby made some great runs down the sideline, almost sinking baskets and Wade was a machine in defence, only letting Sylvania past a couple of times. Man of the Match goes to Fynn for being in support all over the court. Good game boys.

#### **Awards**

#### **Congratulations ... Achievement Awards**

KCH Ollie, Fraser, Lucy

1W Hayley, Ella, Scout, Will, Scott

2T Elliott 5/6W Amy

#### **Canteen news**

Volunteers this fortnight

Voiding of the forting in		
	Monday	Friday
4 <sup>th</sup> November		Mia Jones
		Angela de Silva
7 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup>	Rachel Wax	Sam Epton
November		Rachel Weaver
14 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	Danielle	VACANT
November	Eizenberg	VACANT
	Sarah Ballantine	

We are still looking for volunteers for some Fridays this term. If you are able to help on a Friday morning, please let Paulette or the office know.





#### A message from School Leader, Harley:

Whether you're playing games on your devices, communicating through social media or watching video games and television, we are spending an unhealthy amount of time indoors on our devices.

So for the month of November, I would like to encourage students at our school to get outdoors and put our screens down. You can join me in pledging a Sun Hour where you record time you are playing outdoors.

Information regarding Sun Hour has been sent home today.

It's easy to participate. Just follow the steps at www.sunhour.com.au

- Pledge Now
- Try it for FREE
- Fill in your details with your parent's permission
- Download the App
- Install Screen Time

#### Crazy Hair Day









#### B and A News Term 4 Week 4

#### Halloween Disco

Thank you to everyone who attended our annual Halloween Disco held on Friday 28th October. We had over 80 children in attendance, and they were all very well behaved. It was great to see the amazing variety of the costumes, and the enthusiastic participation in the dancing and games.

Thanks also to the hardworking Management Committee for organising the event.

All funds raised will be used to purchase resources for the children attending Before and After School Care.

#### Account Payments

A reminder that our payment terms are weekly (unless otherwise arranged), with payment due on Friday of the week attended for permanent bookings, or Friday the following week for casual bookings.

Please note that overdue payments will attract a \$5 overdue fee for each week that fees remain overdue.

# Week 5 (commencing Monday 7th November) Planned Activities for this week

Air Dry Clay models

#### Afternoon Tea

Monday Pasta Napolitana
Tuesday Fruit with Custard and Yogurt
Wednesday Veggie Sticks with Crackers and Dip
Thursday Sandwiches
Friday Bread Cups

#### Buy Toys and help fundraise for B&A

We are using the new and improved 2016 Chalk and Toy Direct Catalogues to fundraise for B&A. The catalogues are filled with hundreds of great value, fun and educational toys perfect for birthday and Christmas presents.

By ordering toys from the catalogues 20 cents in every dollar spent will be donated back to B&A to spend on educational resources. Every order no matter how small helps.

Catalogues are available at B&A and the completed order form should be returned to us by 30th November.

If you have any questions please contact Christine on 0425 236 229.

#### Activities

With the weather warming up the children are enjoying spending time outside. This may be playing out the front of the centre, or group games such as Ship-Shark-Shore, or playing handball, bin ball or basketball on the top playground.

Inside activities over the last few weeks we have been focussing on Halloween. This week the children have a chance to make decorated boxes.

If you have any suggestions for planned activities, menu items or recipes, please feel free to let me know.

## Week 6 (commencing Monday 14th November)

Planned Activities for this week Snow Globe Jars

#### Afternoon Tea

Monday Sandwiches Tuesday Fried Rice

Wednesday Fruit with Custard and Yogurt

Thursday Pasta Napolitana

Friday Veggie Sticks with Crackers and Dip





