



# The River News

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Issue 15 - Term 3 – Week 10

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

## Important Dates – TERM 3

### Week 10

Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Kindness Day Swimming K-2
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Last Day of Term3 PSSA

### Term 4

#### Week 1

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	First Day of Term 4 Summer Uniform
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	The Jannali High School Yr 7 2018 Testing

#### Week 2

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Kinder Transition
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Leadership by the River

Parents and carers are reminded that they are not to address children on the playground or at school endorsed activities unless they are their own. This is an important matter pertaining to Child Protection. If a parent has a concern with the actions of another child, they are to refer the matter to teachers of the school.

### Term 4

School resumes for students on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October. Summer uniform should be worn. Please ensure your child has a school hat for the beginning of Term 4. As the weather heats up, it is a good idea to apply sunscreen before coming to school.

### Kindness Day

Our school leaders have organised Kindness Day for this Thursday. Students are asked to wear something yellow and to bring a gold coin donation. Funds raised will go towards purchasing a Kindness/Friendship seat for the playground. What a fabulous idea from our school leaders. Well done.

### Nut Aware School

WRPS has a number of children who have severe and potentially life threatening allergies (anaphylaxis) to nuts. We request that students do not bring nut products to school and discuss the importance of not sharing food with others.

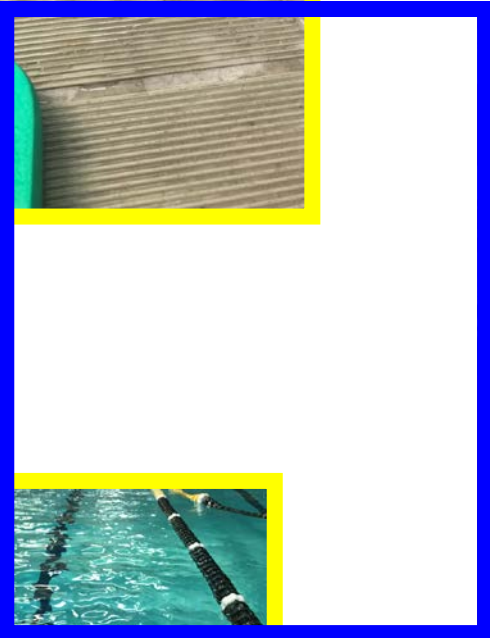
### Public Speaking

Congratulations to Ethan, Scout and Koby A. who represented our school in the Zone Public Speaking competition at Engadine West last week. All three students presented very well. Koby was announced as the runner up for Stage 2 and Ethan received a high commendation for Stage 3. Both of these students will represent the school at the next round of Public speaking. We are very proud of you.



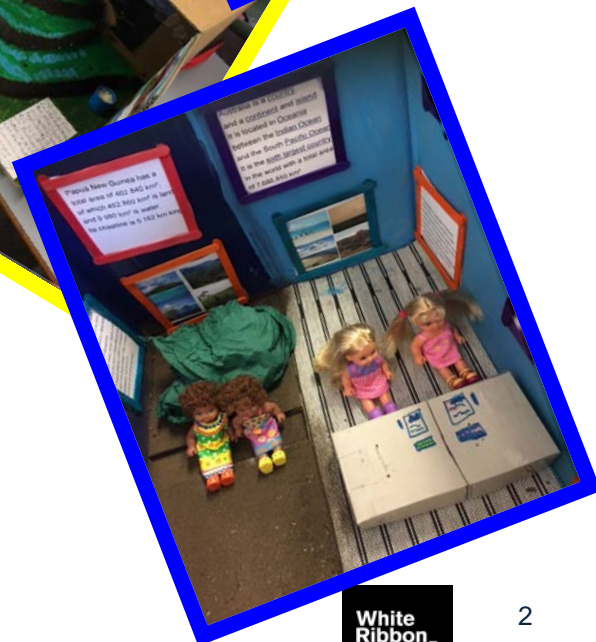
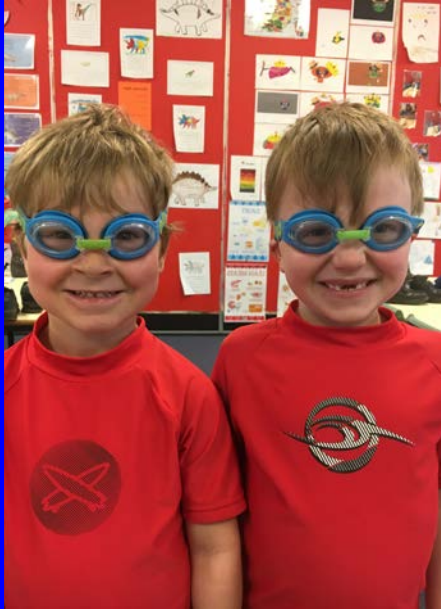
## Swimming

Well done to our K-2 students who have worked very hard to improve their swimming skills over the last two weeks. The staff from Menai Swim Academy has commented on the students' enthusiasm during the lessons.



## 3/4B Projects

Students in 3/4B have been researching similarities and differences between Australia and our neighbouring countries as part of the Geography syllabus. They created displays showing their findings in diverse and creative ways. The open ended task allows students of all abilities to succeed. The students' displays will be exhibited in Room 9 on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd September.





### **NAPLAN Online**

Students in Years 3 and 5 completed the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test last week. All testing went smoothly during the testing procedures. This information will be given to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA).

### **PSSA**

Please ensure students are at school by 7.50am for PSSA each Friday with payment for the bus. Softball and Teeball players must wear shin pads. This is a PSSA requirement.

### **B&A Fundraising**

Toy catalogues are available from B&A or the school office if you would like to assist Santa with his Christmas shopping. B&A will be able to redeem a percentage from the sales for new equipment for the centre.

### **Bushfire Plan**

Updated information for the 2017-2018 Bushfire Plan was sent home last week. If you did not receive this information, it is located on the Notes tab of the school website. Alternatively a copy may be requested from the office.

### **Stewart House Clothing Appeal**

Stewart house bags were sent home earlier this week. Bags should be returned to school by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October for collection. Extra bags are available at the school office should you require them.

### **Early Leavers/Late Arrivals**

Please be advised that all students who arrive late for school or leave early without a legitimate reason will have the length of their absence recorded as an unjustified absence. This is in accordance with Departmental procedures.

### **Earn & Learn**

As you know, our school has been participating in Woolworths Earn & Learn. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school. We're now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. So please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose stickers you may have by the end of

term. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or the fridge door. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support.

### **ICAS**

Congratulations to the following students who achieved Distinction certificates in the ICAS English assessment: Alexi, Iyla, Koby A. Congratulations to Koby A, Marcus, Ethan and Theo who earned a Credit certificate in the ICAS Mathematics. Well done to Iyla for earning a Merit certificate.

### **Sports Reports**

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September PSSA sport kicked off. We have teams competing in softball, tee-ball, cricket and basketball.

The Woronora River softball, tee-ball and cricket teams headed to Jannali Oval last Friday to play against Sutherland North. Each of the teams played incredibly well and tried their best at all times. Unfortunately all 4 teams were defeated but are excited for the weeks to come. A big welcome to Jannali Public School who have combined with us to create a senior side in both cricket and softball.

Remember softball, tee-ball and cricket training is each Wednesday at 8:30.

The Woronora River Basketball teams played their first game of the season at Menai Basketball stadium. All 3 teams played against skillful teams so we unfortunately weren't able to get a win during Round One. Jessie, Emma, Chanelle, Byron and Marcus made some fantastic shots.

Remember basketball training is each Tuesday morning from 8:30.

### **Awards**

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

KWH Amelia

1C

2L

3/4B Lacey, Oliver, Abbey

5/6W Shazmin, Marcus, Oscar, Bridey, Ava, Jessica

Karen Simula

**Principal**

# Kids<sup>in</sup>the park



Sydney's largest school holiday program, Kids in the Park, returns this spring school holidays! There are 50+ fun-filled activities to keep kids active, outdoors and entertained. A range of activities are free or under \$25, making it affordable to discover Sydney's most exciting playground, Sydney Olympic Park, this holidays.

Archery – School Holiday Programs  
All Day Holiday Recreational Program  
Science and writing workshops  
Gymnastics  
Circus Skills & Flying Trapeze

Riverside BirdLife  
Rugby League: Footy Clinic  
Sport & adventure camps  
Operation Art exhibition  
....and lots more

Full details at [www.kidsinthepark.com.au](http://www.kidsinthepark.com.au)

It would be greatly appreciated if you could include the above activities in your school newsletter.

Or download a [PDF version of this eNews](#) to forward onto your friends and colleagues.

Kind regards

Sydney Olympic Park Team



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Spring into the School Holidays with heaps of Council-run fun for the kids.

23 September to 8 October 2017. Tonnes of fun! And one place to find it all.

[sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays](http://sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays)



#### Menai Indoor Sports Centre

Keep the kids active with a school holiday program that features Bubble Soccer, karate, Acrogym and more.



#### Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre

Visit Hazelhurst these holidays for portrait painting, building clay robots, creating digital cartoons and more.



#### Make a splash at Sutherland Leisure Centre

Let the kids jump around on the giant water inflatable, book them in for learn to swim intensive classes and fitness camps.



#### Explore nature with Bushcare

Hang out with the bats, scamper through the jungle and learn all about seedlings with Bushcare these school holidays.



#### Vacation Care

Indoor crafts and activities, outdoor experiences, and great excursions feature in Council's Vacation Care program. Bookings essential.



#### Sutherland Shire Libraries

Get loud with a drumming workshop, learn visual coding at our Ozobot maze scrambles and much more.



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



## SUTHERLAND SHIRE LEISURE CENTRES

There is plenty to do at the Leisure Centres these school holidays including: Learn to Swim Intensives, Carnival Preparation classes, Fun and Fitness day camps and our Giant Water Inflatable!

## MENAI INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE

Have fun and learn a new skill at Menai Indoor Sports Centre. Programs include Bubble Soccer, Karate, Acrogym and Multi Sport Fun Camps to name a few.

Visit [sslc.com.au/whats\\_on](http://sslc.com.au/whats_on) for more information.

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