

NEWSLETTER *PRINCIPAL'S REPORT*

Term 4, Wk 6, 19th November 2018

2019 Class Formation

As we will need to wait until the beginning of the 2019 school year to finalise enrolments and staffing, students will return to their 2018 classes on Wednesday 30 January for a couple of days. I anticipate we will be ready to form classes on Monday 4 February, following the enrolment of our new Kindergarten children. While I appreciate children and parents are excited to join their new teacher and class as soon as possible, it is far better to wait a couple of days rather than settle children into classes and then have to make changes if our student numbers alter. At this stage, our student enrolment numbers are extremely variable meaning we will need to wait until the first week back in 2019 to confirm numbers, staffing and classes. I appreciate your patience and understanding with this matter.

Over the remainder of this term, our teaching team will be working on 2019 organisation and class placements for each child. This process is completed by teachers of the current year level (i.e. Year 4 teachers confer on Year 5 class groupings) and is overseen by the school leadership team. A substantial amount of time is put into this process considering the academic, social and emotional needs of each child. Other factors to be considered include ensuring a balance of students at each academic level within the class, friendship groupings and specific student needs. At times, there is particular information that you as a parent, may like considered as part of this process. This may relate to your child's academic, social or personal needs. While it is not always possible to accommodate specific requests, we do always carefully consider information shared by parents.

2019 Enrolments

I am currently in the process of finalising our staffing and classes for 2019. At this stage we are waiting on some new families to confirm that their children will be attending Mascot PS and as a result I am unable to finalise our class structures and staffing entitlements. Families can assist me in this process by:

- **Informing us if you are moving out of the area and your child will not be returning to Mascot PS in 2019.**
- **Ensuring we have notification in writing if your child will be returning late at the beginning of the 2019 school year so that we can hold a place for them. Most families have provided this information via the enrolment intentions forms. If your circumstances change, please inform the school office.**

Community BBQ

We are very grateful to 3Bridges for providing such a fabulous afternoon BBQ on Friday 9 November. It was so lovely to see so many families stay behind and enjoy a sausage and a chat. We would like to hold these BBQs every term and look forward to seeing you there.

Presentation Days

On Tuesday 11 December we will celebrate the achievements of students at our Sports & Arts Assembly and on Thursday 13 December we will recognise student achievements at our Presentation Day. Both assemblies will begin at 9:15am and finish around 11:30am. Parents will be notified in the lead up to the event if their child is receiving an award.

School Development Days

Parents will be aware that schools have school development days on the first day of Terms 1, 2 and 3 and the last two days of Term 4. These days are non-teaching days and focus on teacher professional learning and school planning.

- The school development days scheduled for Thursday 20 and Friday 21 December were re-scheduled this year with teachers completing their professional learning workshops during evening sessions. Accordingly, there will be no staff present on Thursday 20 and Friday 21 December and the school will be deemed 'non-operational'. The last day of attendance for students is Wednesday 19 December.
- At the beginning of 2019 staff will return on 29 January to participate in professional learning related to curriculum development and wellbeing. We will also be engaged in whole school strategic planning and look forward to sharing this with you early next year.
- The first day of attendance for students in Years 1-6 for the 2019 school year is Wednesday 30 January 2019.
- New Kindergarten students will complete their Best Start Assessments on Wednesday 30 January – Friday 1 February. Their first day of school will be Monday 4 February.

Mosquitoes

It's that time of year and mosquitos are around. Unfortunately we can only give children ice to put on any bites. You may want to use a repellent of a morning to prevent your child from being bitten. I understand there are kid friendly repellents available.

Have a great week,

Helen Te Rata
Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MASCOT PUBLIC SCHOOL

21st November 2018
Kindy Orientation 9.00am - 11.00

22nd November 2018
Preschool, Kindy - 6
School Disco (incursion)
Gold Coin donation

28th November 2018
Preschool Information Session - Parents only
9.30am - 11.00am

Kindergarten Excursion
Sydney Harbour National Park

3rd December 2018
P & C Meeting 7pm

5th December 2018
Preschool Orientation Day
9.30am- 10.30am

6th December 2018
Preschool Orientation Day
9.30am - 10.30am
Carols under the COLA

7th December 2018
Last PSSA for Term 4
Whole School Assembly

11th December 2018
Sports and Arts Assembly

13th December 2018
Presentation Day

14th December 2018
Colour Fun Run - cash only for this event

17th December 2018
Preschool Graduation Group A
Year 6 Dinner

18th December 2018
Talent Quest

19th December 2018
Preschool Graduation Group B
9.30am - 11.30am

Year 6 Farewell Assembly

Mascot Public School PSSA Report - Term 4 Week 4

Jnr Cricket	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot vs Bourke St	LOSS 51-55	Emily
Snr Cricket	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot vs Alexandria Park	LOSS 44 - 45	Mohsina
Jnr Softball	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot vs Tempe	LOSS 0 - 21	Jangar
Snr Softball	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot A vs Alexandria Park	WON 19-6	Te Ata

Mascot Public School PSSA Report - Term 4 Week 5

Jnr Cricket	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot vs Crown St	LOSS	Tabeen
Snr Cricket	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot vs Crown St	LOSS 77 - 71	Prajwal
Jnr Softball	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot vs Tempe	FRIENDLY	Heemi
Snr Softball	Result	Player of the Match
Mascot A vs Tempe	DRAW 12 all	Parissi

Student Awards

Pennant

Year 2
Raheel

Gold Awards

Year 1
Hawke, Jayden,
Mulyana, Sejuti

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

THUR 6TH DECEMBER 2018
5.30PM – 7.00PM PRIMARY COLA

The celebrations will commence at 5.30pm under the Primary COLA. Each grade will be performing their favourite carols. Feel free to bring a picnic rug or chairs to relax on.

The P & C will be holding a BBQ and selling food and refreshments.

Please remember all children must be supervised by a family member at all times.


We look forward to seeing you there.

Carpark for Staff Only

Please remember that our school carpark
is for staff only.
Help us to keep your children safe.

Next assembly:

2pm on 7/12/18
This will be our last
assembly for the year

A vibrant, colorful collage background featuring a bright yellow sun with rays, a red starfish, a green starfish, a pair of sunglasses, a beach ball, a seashell, a fly, a red flower, and a striped beach umbrella. The text is overlaid on this collage.

Mascot Public School

SUMMERTIME

SCHOOL

DISCO!

hosted by Footsteps Dance Company!

Thursday 22 November - MPS Hall

Bring a gold coin donation for charity

Pre-school @ 11.30am - 12pm

K - 2 @ 12pm - 1pm

3 - 6 @ 1.30pm - 3pm

50c zooper doopers available after each session!

CAROLS IN THE PARK

AND CHRISTMAS MARKETS

Hosted by Monica Trapaga

Saturday 1 December
Markets 3:00pm - 7:30pm | Carols at 6:30pm
Mascot Memorial Park
Corner Botany Road and Coward Street

Christmas in Ramsgate

Saturday 15 December
from 10:00am to 1:00pm
Bill Batley Square, Ramsgate Road

Meet and Greet
with Santa

Santa Photos

Face Painting

Petting Zoo

Christmas Arts
and Crafts



CAROLS BY THE SEA

Hosted by Jay Laga'aia featuring
community groups and local
churches performing everyone's
favourite carol sing-a-longs

Saturday 8 December at 6pm
Lady Robinsons Beach
Brighton Le Sands
The Grand Parade (Bay Street)

Christmas Movie AT THE POOL

Friday 7 December, from 6:30pm
Botany Aquatic Centre
Cost: Pool entry fee

Come along, meet Santa
and enjoy a movie with
family and friends.
Food available for
purchase or bring
a picnic dinner.



What have we been up to?

The children at Mascot entered a competition through Network of Communities Australia which asked them "If you were made Prime Minister of Australia, what 3 things would you change to make it a better place for children and families to live in?" These answers ended up in Network News, the newspaper of Network of Communities! Great Job!



3Bridges Community BBQ

What an amazing day! Thank you to all the parents and families that came down to our community BBQ on Friday 9th November. It was such a great turn out. The 3Bridges children did an amazing job performing the acknowledgement to Country and they were really proud of their efforts! If you would like to provide us with any feedback, send an email to Jordi.rowley@3bridges.org.au

December – January Vacation Care

It's a busy time of year as we all know, and we are here to help! Let us know if you will need care for the following dates by sending an email to Jordi.rowley@3bridges.org.au

Will you need care?:

December 24th

January 2nd – 4th

January 7th -12th