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NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Wk 3, 14th May 2018

14th May 2018
P & C Meeting 7pm

15th - 17th May 2018
Years 3 and 5 NAPLAN

25th May 2018
Zone Cross Country

28th May 2018
StEPS Preschool eye testing Op A

29th May 2018
Open Day 9.15am - 11.00am

31st May 2018
StEPS Preschool eye testing Op B

4th June 2018
P & C Meeting 7pm

7th June 2018
Biggest Morning Tea

13th June 2018
Musica Viva 9.15am (Yrs 3- 6)

14th June 2018
Regional Cross Country

18th June 2018
FOIM Concert

29th June 2018
Last day PSSA Sport

2nd July 2018
P & C Meeting 7pm

5th July 2018
NAIDOC Week
Performer 2 - 3 pm

6th July 2018
Last day Term 2

**17/5/2018:
No Assembly
NAPLAN Testing**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I met with 3Bridges this morning, our current provider for out of school hours care including **before and after school, vacation and during our school development days**. 3Bridges have been very proactive in engaging with our school community and welcome opportunities to speak with parents about the services that they offer. In next week's newsletter, you will find some updates on the programs that they have been running since beginning operation in Term 1. If you would like more information, please contact Jordi, the services manager, on 1300 327 434.

Last week, we held our first **lunch orders** with Mr Espresso. There were a couple of hiccups but they were sorted out quickly and without major disruption. Please remember to have the correct money with your order, that orders are for lunch only (no morning tea or recess will be served) and ensure that your writing on the order form is legible for easy reading.

Congratulations to Te Ata in Year 6 for being selected for the **South Sydney Zone Netball Team**. From what I hear, Te Ata is a very talented netball player with high aspirations in the sport.

Finally, good luck to our Year 3 and Year 5 students who will be sitting the **NAPLAN** tests this week. As always at this time of year, NAPLAN is discussed openly on all forms of media, with those who support the tests presenting their information and those who oppose it doing the same. Our students and teachers often get caught in the crossfire of opinion. Please remember that, whatever your opinion, NAPLAN is

one test for one hour of one day so must be cross-referenced with internal school measures before full judgement is made on a student's abilities in maths and English. If you are ever in doubt, please liaise with your child's class teacher who should be able to provide this information to you. And please remember that NAPLAN does not measure a child's capabilities in technology, dance, art, music, diplomacy, physical education, science, geography or any other areas that make our students unique, important and worthy.

Have a great week.

HELEN EMPACHER
PRINCIPAL


Extra:

If you have news of achievements by any of our students outside of school, please let us know so that we can tell our community about it. Please send any articles or photos to our school email mascot-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or drop them into the office and we'll include it in our newsletters.

Carpark for Staff Only

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

School strategic directions 2018–2020




STRATEGIC DIRECTION 1

Whole School Wellbeing

Purpose:

To build a culture where all members of the school community feel respected, valued, supported and connected in order for our students to succeed and thrive




STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2

Future-Focused Teaching and Learning

Purpose:

To design learning which reflects how the best teachers teach and how today's students learn for tomorrow

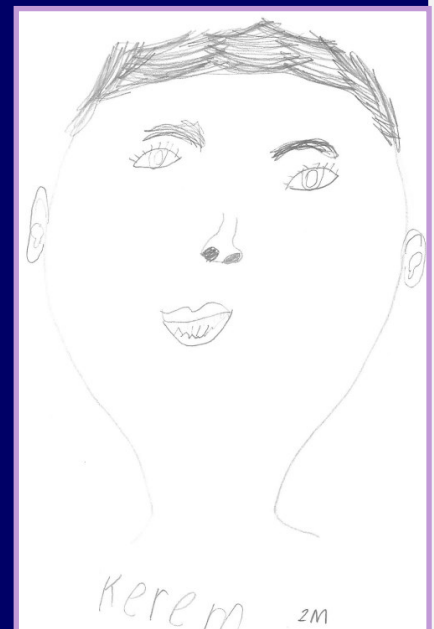
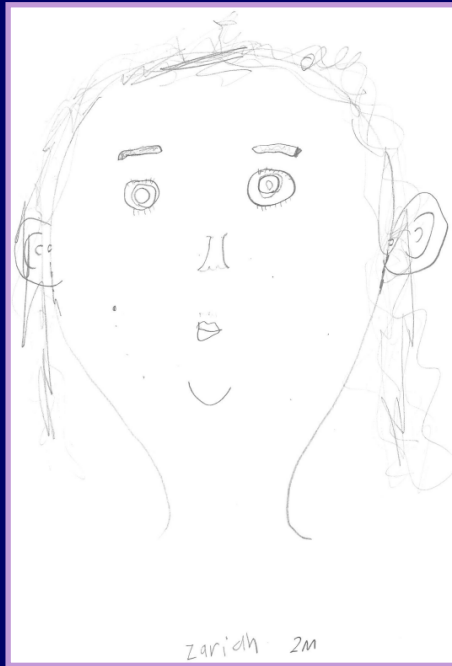


STRATEGIC DIRECTION 3

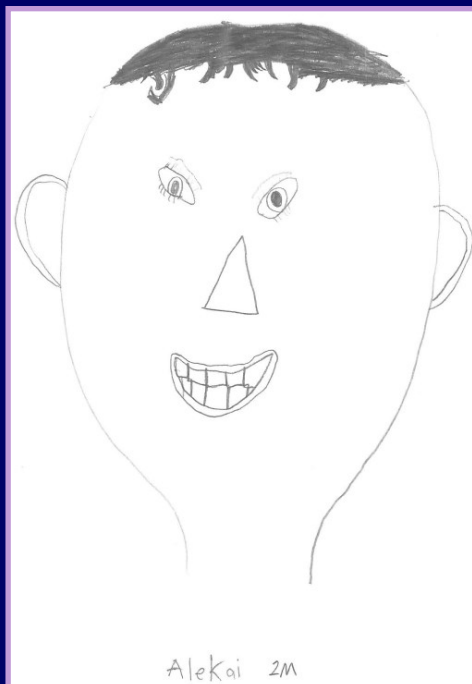
Data-Informed Best Practice

Purpose:

To provide a school-wide collaborative approach to evidence-informed assessment, feedback and reporting to support the diverse learning needs of all students and promote school excellence



Portrait Sketches by 2M



ACTIVE KIDS ARE SMARTER KIDS



**WALK SAFELY
TO SCHOOL DAY**

FRIDAY 18 MAY 2018



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an adult's hand when crossing the road**

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FRIDAY 18 MAY 2018

ACTIVE KIDS ARE SMARTER KIDS

National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is on Friday 18 May 2018. Now in its 19th year, it is a campaign and annual event when all primary school children, their parents and carers are encouraged to walk and commute regularly and safely to school. It is a community event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment.

Australian children are becoming less active. One substantial contributor is the decline in walking and/or taking public transport to school. Children who are regularly physically active are healthier, perform better academically and less likely to be obese or overweight, which can lead to the long-term and costly risks of heart disease and diabetes etc.. Walking regularly is the best exercise because you can build it into your daily routine.

The Objectives of National Walk Safely to School Day are:

- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children
- To promote the health benefits of walking and create regular walking habits
- To help children develop vital road crossing skills and ensure children up to the age of 10 years hold an adult's hand when crossing the road
- To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians
- To reduce car dependency and traffic congestion
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles
- To promote the use of public transport

How your School and Council can be involved (detailed information is at walk.com.au):

Enclosed is the WSTSD kit which contains stickers and posters for school and council noticeboards. We ask that every student wears a sticker on the day to help promote this important community event. Other ideas include:

- Use the teachers' tool-kit and publish our information in your school's newsletter
- Display the poster on your noticeboard and around school (print more from our web-site)
- Print and colour in the online poster
- Ask your P&C and council to help promote and support the campaign and event
- Host a Healthy Breakfast (ask your P&C, council and local businesses to sponsor a breakfast at your school)
- Tell your parents, friends, carers, teachers and local businesses about the event
- Encourage parents or carers who have to drive, to park at least 1km away and walk to school
- Register your school as a WSTSD Ambassador and assist with publicity
- Complete the online questionnaire
- Find us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

Thank you for your support and participation.

Pedestrian Council of Australia



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Garden Working Bee

Next Monday afternoon, 21st May from 3-4pm, we will be holding a Working Bee to get some gardens up and running.

Some tasks include:

- picking fruit
- planting
- mulching
- layering new beds
- weeding



We are also taking donations to use at our Working Bee. We would love donations from our school community including:

- soil
- vegetable seedlings
- native plants
- seeds

We welcome everyone to this event and would love all the help we can get. Please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Poynting with any questions and queries!

Thanks,
The Gardening Team

Student Awards

Medallions

1B Andrew

1/2Y Mukarram

5/6A Isabella

Gold Awards

Year 2

Misheel, Aiza

Year 3

Osai