Paddington Public School

Newsletter Term 4, Week 3 27 October 2020



Principal's Message

Book Week

We have had an amazing Friday last week, celebrating Book Week activities. Students in K-3 were entertained in drawing workshops with ShazArt, which referenced short listed *Bat vs Poss* by Alexa Moses. Year 4 – 6 were entertained by James O'Loghlin and read extracts from his books *The New Kid*. Please see photos on page 4

Camp

Year 4, 5 and 6 are having lots of fun, have all been bushwalking today and made damper. Tonight they will be participating in a PPS games night. Home tomorrow, pick up is at 3pm. Please see page 3 for photos.

2021 Class Placement and Structure

During Term 4 the school spends a lot of time planning the class structures, staffing and class allocations for the following year. We have started planning classes for 2021. To do this as best we can, we need to know about children who may not have enrolled to begin Kindergarten or anyone who is leaving for another school. Please email the school office p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to let us know.

Many factors are considered when grouping children into classes for the next school year and it is never an easy task to get it right for every child. Besides the Department's guidelines about the numbers in each class at different year levels we also consider:

- academic achievement levels
- special needs & medical issues
- relationships that should be split or continued
- behavioural issues or concerns
- numbers of boys and girls in a class.

Dates to Remember

Thursday 29 October 2020 Uniform Shop open - 8.40am -9.15am

Tuesday 3 November 2020 Yr 4 & 5 Leadership Day (Incursion)

Tuesday 10 November 2020 Kindy Farm Excursion

Wednesday 16 December 2020 Last Day of Term 4

Friday 30 January 2021
First day of Term 1 2021
Year 1 - 6 students

Tuesday 2 February 2021
First Day of Kindergarten 2021

If parents have particular concerns or issues about the placement of their child for next year, now is the time to let me know so we can consider this information when forming classes. Coming to discuss a child's placement next year once classes have been finalised is too late. We always undertake to do the very best we can for every child. Please remember it is not always possible to meet all requests. It is not appropriate to make specific requests that involve other people's children or for a particular teacher to teach or not teach your child's class. By the end of Term 4 we will have tentative class structures developed, but as we need to confirm enrolments early in Term 1 2021, classes and teachers will not be announced until next year. Please write to me Lisa Larkin by email p.school@det.nsw.edu.au by Friday 13 November with any information that you feel should be considered regarding your child's placement in 2021.

Once classes are formed I like to have them finalised with no changes unless in very exceptional circumstances. I appreciate your understanding that moving students may cause disruption across the grade or stage.

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Year 7 Selective High School for 2022

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for year 7 in 2022? You must apply online at:

- Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2022 will be accepted from Tuesday 13 October 2020 to Monday 16 November 2020.
- Parents must apply online at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7
- All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

Scholastic Book Club

Thank you to everyone for purchasing books last week at our book fair, it was very successful and the students loved being able to come and choose a book to take home. We have sent home a catalogue today, this is the last one for the year and delivery is guaranteed for Christmas. If you would like to purchase some books for Christmas without your child knowing, please send an email to school email letting us know to keep in the office for your collection.



SYDNEY UNIVERSITY SFC SOCCER TRIALS 2021

Boy's/Mixed SAP Trials

U9 (2012) & U10 (2011):

- Tuesday 3 November, 5:30-6:45pm, Camdenville Oval
- Wednesday 4 November, 5:30-6:45pm, Camdenville Oval
- Friday 6 November, 5:30-6:45pm, Camdenville Oval

U11 (2010) & U12 (2009):

- Tuesday 3 November, 7:00-8:15pm, Camdenville Oval
- Wednesday 4 November, 7:00-8:15pm, Camdenville Oval
- Friday 6 November, 7:00-8:15pm, Camdenville Oval

To trial for Boy's/Mixed SAP, please complete the online trial registration https://susfc.com.au/

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