



Sutherland North Public School



School-talk – 30 October 2017

Principal's Message – Fiona Young

Kindergarten 2018 Orientation

It is a Sutherland North tradition that current Kindergarten families provide morning tea for the incoming Kindergarten families. The final transition to school session is being held on Wednesday 1 November. Kindergarten 2017 parents are asked to bring a plate of food to share. Please remember no nuts or peanut butter products. The morning tea will be held in the hall from 10.30 to 11am. Our current kindergarten parents are very welcome to attend.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Samara 5/6M and Cassidy 5/6M who participated in the Coding Grand Final at ANSTO. We are very proud of you both.

Thank You

Congratulations and thank you to our P&C and parent helpers who manned the Bunning's BBQ on the weekend or donated drinks and other items. Co-ordinated by our P&C Treasurer, Mr Darren Batty, 120 kilos of sausages were cooked and sold on the day and a total of \$2100 was raised for our school! Thank you for your support.

2018 Planning and Organisation

We are currently in the process of organising staffing and student classes for 2018. Today our numbers indicate we will remain with 11 classes in 2018. If your child/ren will not be returning to our school in 2018 (apart from year 6) please put this in writing to me as soon as possible.

If your child will not be present for the first two weeks of the 2018 school year but will be returning to SNPS this must also be communicated in writing to the Principal as soon as possible.

Student Allocation Process

The school staffing structure and formation of classes at SNPS is governed by the Department of Education staffing formula. A school structure that best meets the needs of all students and teachers is a collaborative process designed by staff and ratified by the Principal. The Principal has the delegated authority to determine the final makeup of classes.

The classes are formed in the best interests of ALL the students. In this process the following criteria, not in order of importance is taken into consideration.

Identification of Student Needs

This is achieved through:

- Professional conversations and consultation with staff who are familiar with students
- Has the student been taught by the teacher in previous years
- Academic and welfare data
- Learning adjustment requirements
- Student friendships, personalities
- Students educational history

Term 4

October

Monday 30 October

Music Groups

November

Wednesday 1 November

Kindergarten 2018
Transition & morning tea
9.30-11.00

Thursday 2 November

Assembly 12.30pm

Friday 3 November

PSSA Sport
Basketball clinic – non
PSSA Sport

Monday 6 November

Music Groups

Tuesday 7 November

Dance2bfit - Stage 3

Thursday 9 November

Assembly 12.30pm

Friday 10 November

PSSA Sport
Touch Football clinic –
non PSSA Sport

Monday 13 November

Music Showcase 2.00pm

PSSA Sport – 3 November

Basketball - Sutherland
Basketball Stadium
Cricket/Tee-Ball/Softball -
Sutherland Oval

- Behaviour support
- Gender balance
- Significant information that may be provided by parents of educational reasoning (history, social and emotional factors).

Allocation of Teachers

This is determined after a consultative process that takes into consideration:

- Teacher preferences
- Past experience
- Skill and expertise
- Professional learning goals
- Effective balanced stage teams
- New teachers to the school and/or Graduate Teachers

If you feel there is information of educational reasoning that should be considered for 2018 classes, you are welcome to put this in writing to the Principal by Friday 18 November. **Requests for particular teachers will not be considered and is discouraged.** We appreciate that you trust our professional judgement taking into account the multitude of factors that influence the placement of over 260 children.

P&C Meeting

Our last meeting for 2017 is 29 November at 7.30pm. At this meeting

- Mrs Minogue will be presenting an overview of the Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN results.
- We will also have a guest speaker from Ride-a-bility who has been asked by Sutherland Shire Council and RMS to undertake a cycling to school and active transport education pilot project in the Sutherland Shire. SNPS is fortunate to be the nominated school.

Please come along to hear in more detail what this means for 2018.

Music Showcase

All of our year 3-6 music groups will perform on Monday 13 November, starting at 2pm. This will include performances from band, ukulele, guitar, recorder, choir and dancesport.

Canteen

A reminder that if you are ordering a drink for your child could you please include a separate bag for the drink, that way the hot food is not in the same bag as the drink. Also where possible could you include the correct money to save change having to be given. Thank you for your co-operation.

Assembly Awards Term 4 Week 3			
Award		Student Names	
Principal's Awards		Gabrielle P – 1K	
RFF – Mrs Rollason		Samuel G – 1R	
PSSA – Boys		Brock F – 5/6M, Darpan P – 4/5M	
PSSA – Girls		Brenda V – 4/5M, Nina S – 5/6S	
Class	Student of the Week	Class Awards	
KK	Sydney F	Lachlan H	Nathan S
KJ	Micah G	Rebecca L	Chloe D
1K	Christopher M	Julianne V	Adam H
1R	Callie S	Sebastian C	Brielle P
2B	Juliette R	Bobby S	Eamon O
2/3E	Jasper M	Saxon B	Samuel B
3F	Nelly I	Zayna M	Angus H
4C	Grace P	Ry O	Lucas P
4/5M	Grace C	Blake T	Tara A
5/6M	Hamish C	Ebony S	Blake J
5/6S	Maggie O	Jordan T	Taylor L
Silver Pennants			
Hannah M – 5/6S, Kyran C – 5/6M, Megan N – 4/5M, Elliot M – 4/5M, Mya L – 3F, Ava G – 1K, James C – 1K, Lincoln R – 1K			
Bronze Pennant			
Naomi F – 2/3E			

Earn & Learn

Thank you once again to everyone who handed in their Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers! With the 16 800 points we earned, we were able to purchase many new resources including:

- Magnetic money sets
- Magnetic fractions & percentages sets
- A hammer and nail construction set
- Kitchen scales
- Castanets
- Cork boards
- Magnetic whiteboards
- Counters
- Sand pit resources
- Light and solar energy kit
- Electricity resources
- Air-dry clay
- Waffle balls

State Drama

Congratulations to Grace M, Amelia J & Kiera D who performed in the 'Lights Up Junior Ensemble' at the State Drama Festival on Thursday 26 October. If you would like to watch the performance please follow the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xIIGE593tUQ> Their act is at 1 hour 12 minutes and 30 seconds into the show. It is based on a book named 'Odd Dog Out' and shows that everyone should be proud of who they are and shouldn't be ashamed of being different because it really is a good thing. It was a great experience for everyone involved and the girls would love to thank Sutherland North Public School, Northmead CAPA High School and The Arts Unit for giving them the opportunity to be in this amazing show.



Coding

On Tuesday the 24th of October 2017, Samara and Cassidy went to ANSTO for the Top Coder Competition! Sadly, we did not win but we tried our best! We made it into the grand final after winning our heat at Ramsgate Public School.

The topic for the heat was 'Healthy Living' and the topic for the grand final was 'Clean Oceans'. We had two hours for both competitions. Our second game was about a sprite (a computer graphic) named Pico (who was featured in our first game we made for ANSTO) who met his 'self-conscious' again. They met an evil jellyfish called Totally Not Evil Jellyfish. They had to go back in time in a tardis (time machine) to save the oceans. After our second mini game Totally Not Evil Jellyfish reveals he is evil. The game has three mini games. Caringbah North PS took out the year six winners and Padstow North PS won the year five competition.

The Sutherland Leader newspaper took a photo and reported this event. Here is the link for the article.

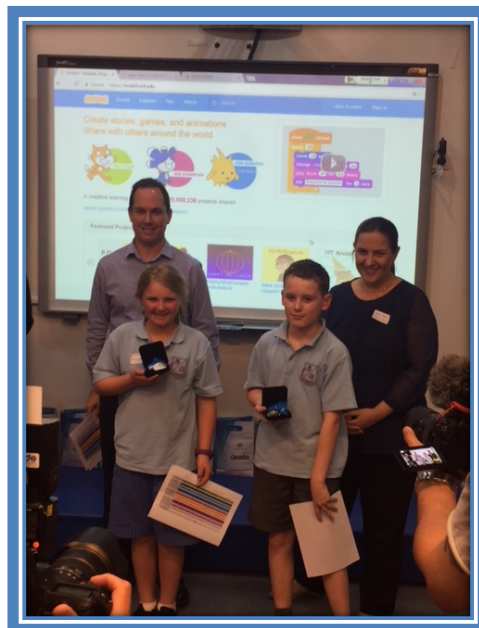
<http://www.theleader.com.au/story/5012754/top-coding-clubs-booming-in-sutherland-shire-schools/>

If you would like to see our project go to:

<https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/181718463/>



We would like to thank Mr Stone, Mr Entwistle and Mrs Rees for coaching the ANSTO Top Coder Team.



By Samara D and Cassidy

5/6 Water Polo Gala Day

Wonderful experiences for everyone.

Arriving at the pool, everyone was excited.

Terrific teamwork from everyone.

Excitement when Sutherland Nth scored a goal.

Racing to the ball, to help our teammates.

Protecting the goals was the hardest.

Our teams tried their best in every game they played.

Lovely enthusiasm and great sportsmanship.

Our regards to Mrs Rees for organising this amazing day.

By Abbey Wells



P&C News

Bunnings BBQ

Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time or donated drinks and other items at the Bunnings BBQ. We managed to raise over \$2000 on the day selling 120kg in sausages and had lots of fun in the process. The smell of sausage meat was worth it!



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TERM 4 CALENDAR 2017

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3	October 23 Water Polo Gala Day Music Groups	24 Kindergarten 2018 Transition 9.30-10.30 ANSTO Top Coder Grand Final	25 P&C Meeting @ 7.30	26 Assembly @12.30	27 Basketball Clinic PSSA
4	30 Music Groups	31	November 1 Kindergarten 2018 Transition 9.30-11.00 & Morning Tea	2 Assembly @12.30	3 Basketball Clinic PSSA
5	6 Music Groups	7 Dance2BFit Stage 3	8 Beginning of Air-Con Installation Blocks Z & A	9 Assembly @12.30	10 Touch Football Clinic PSSA
6	13 Music Showcase 2.00-3.00	14 Dance2BFit Stage 3	15 Police Visit Stage 3	16 Assembly @12.30	17 Touch Football Clinic PSSA
7	20 Music Groups School Captain Speeches	21 Dance2BFit Stage 3	22 Air-Con Installation Completed	23 White Ribbon Breakfast 7.00-8.30 Assembly @12.30	24 Touch Football Clinic PSSA
8	27 Last day for Music Groups School Captain Speeches	28 Dance2BFit Stage 3 SRC School Disco YrsK-2 - 4.30-5.30 Yrs3-6 - 6.00-7.00	29 P&C Meeting @ 7.30	30 Last Scripture Final Assembly @12.30	December 1 Touch Football Clinic PSSA Finals
9	4	5 Year 6 High School Orientation Day Kindergarten Graduation 9.30-10.30	6	7 Combined Scripture Performance Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea	8 Aboriginal Incursion
10	11 Presentation Day 9.30-11.00 Year 6 Farewell 5.45-9.00	12	13 Year 6 Mini Fete Semester 2 Reports sent home	14 Talent Show	15 Last Day for students for 2017