



The Surveyor

A Newsletter for the Surveyors Creek Public School Community

Term 1

Week 10

Wednesday 29th March 2017

Dates to Remember

29/03/17	Years 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion Depart
31/03/17	Years 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion Return
03/04/17	3-6 Cross Country (Subject to Weather) Held at School
03/04/17	Parent Teacher Interviews ES1
04/04/17	Parent Teacher Interviews K1HM
04/04/17	Parent Teacher Interviews Stage 2
04/04/17	Crazy Hair Day Easter Parade
04/04/17	Parent Teacher Interview 5/6N
05/04/17	3-6 Cross Country (back up date) Held at Softball Fields
05/04/17	Parent Teacher Interviews Stage 3 & 4/5JH
05/04/17	Parent Teacher Interviews Stage 1
06/04/17	Debating Workshop
07/04/17	Last day of term 1
24/04/17	Staff Development Day
25/04/17	Anzac Day
26/04/17	Students Return term 2
26/04/17	Anzac Day Assembly 11.30 – 1pm
27/04/17	Go Blue for Autism
03/05/17	School Disco
05/05/17	District Cross Country
09/05/17	Naplan Years 3 & 5
10/05/17	Naplan Years 3 & 5
11/05/17	Naplan Years 3 & 5
11/05/17	Mother's Day Stall
23/05/17	ICAS Digital Technologies
30/05/17	ICAS Science
08/06/17	Early Stage 1 & Support Cake Stall
12/06/17	ICAS Writing
14/06/17	ICAS Spelling

PAYMENT/PERMISSION REMINDERS

All money should be placed in a clearly marked envelope in the secure box outside the Administration Block.

Debating Workshop Permission Note and payment returned by 9.10am Monday, 3rd April, 2017

P & C Easter Raffle tickets to be returned by 9.10am Friday, 31st March 2017.

Mother's Day Stall Token purchase to be returned by 9.10am Friday 28th April 2017.

Spare notes in the rack in the admin office foyer or on the school's website

Receipts for school payments are issued by teachers to students each Friday.

Notes home this fortnight

Debating Workshop
Penrith Valley Performing Arts Festival Choir
Tell Them From Me Survey

All notes are on the Website

We wish to advise that this page of the newsletter will be sent home with students every fortnight. The remaining pages will be available to view on our website!

Important Dates

05/04/17	Last day for Canteen lunch orders
07/04/17	Canteen Over the counter orders only – Red day
07/04/17	Last day of Term 1
26/04/17	Students Return Term 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE HOURS 8:40am to 3:25pm

School Banking will be every Tuesday of school terms.

Clothing Pool will be every second Thursday afternoon (that's even weeks) and every Tuesday morning (odd weeks) of school terms.

ASSEMBLIES FOR 2017: K-2 odd weeks on Friday afternoons at 2-15pm

3-6 even weeks on Friday afternoon at 2-15pm



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From the Principal desk

"I AM NOT A TEACHER BUT AN AWAKENER"

Robert Frost

Just a Reminder-Parent Teacher Interviews 2017

Parent teacher interviews will take place in the last week of this term. PLAN data will be given to you at the interview and your child's teacher will discuss with you where your child is currently at on the literacy and numeracy continuums. The report you will receive will give you ideas on how you as a parent can move your child to the next level in their learning. Scheduling interviews this early in the year, allows for early interventions to be implemented if needed to help support your child/ren.

Interviews will commence at 1:30pm and the last interview will be scheduled for 6:30pm.

Monday 3rd April - Early Stage 1

Tuesday 4th April - 5/6N

Tuesday 4th April - Stage 2 and K/1MH

Wednesday 5th April - Stage 1, Stage 3 and 4/5JH

Support Classes - interviews will be ongoing as needed.

Once again interviews will be open to students attending. If you wish for your child to attend please indicate on the note.

Congratulations

It is with mixed feelings to inform you that Ms Charisse Bonifacio has been successful through merit selection, in gaining a permanent teaching position at York Public School and as a result will be leaving Surveyors Creek PS at the end of this term. Ms Bonifacio will take up her new position day one of Term 2. Ms Bonifacio in her 4 years with us has always been the utmost professional and has always had the best interest of her students at the centre of her teaching. She is highly regarded by the staff, students and community. We will miss Ms Bonifacio's enthusiasm, dedication to her students and the relentless energy that she puts into everything she does.

Mrs Naomi Suffield will now take up the 5 day teaching position on 3-6B commencing next term. We wish Ms Bonifacio all the best in this new chapter in her teaching career.

Returning from leave

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Mrs Franzke back from maternity leave next term. Mrs Franzke from week 5 will be on 2L Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday job sharing with Ms Lane who will be on 2L Thursday and Friday.

Staff Change 3CS

We would like to welcome Mrs Leesha Bartush to Surveyors Creek who will replace Mrs Suffield on 3CS, job sharing with Mr Chan. Mrs Bartush will be teaching on Thursday and Friday.

Mrs Bartush comes to Surveyors with a range of teaching experiences in mainstream and support contexts.

Long Service Leave

Mrs Burke our teacher librarian will be on leave the last week of this term. Mrs Farrell will be replacing her. Mr Nicolle will be on leave from Wednesday 5 April until Wednesday 10 May. Mr Timms will be on 5/6N for the remainder of Term 1. Mrs Franzke will be on 5/6N on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mr Timms will be on 5/6N Thursday and Friday whilst Mr Nicolle is on leave.

Mrs Woodgate will be on leave for all of Term 2. Mrs Sandra Farrell will be replacing her during this time job sharing with Mrs Uhlig.

Mrs Heffernan will be on leave for the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Mrs Nusso will be on the K/1MH on Wednesday and Friday and Ms Lane will be on the class on Thursday.

Maternity Leave

Mrs Maiden will be taking maternity leave from Monday 22nd May for the remainder of the year. Mrs Franzke and Ms Lane will job share on 2L.

School Holidays

As this is the last newsletter this term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the smooth transition into the new school year and wish everyone a safe and happy holiday wherever you will be.

School Resumes on Wednesday 26 April for students.

Mrs Browne is on leave for the remainder of this term so I will be relieving in her position.

Mrs Catherine Smith
Relieving Principal

Tell Them From Me Student Survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 13 March and 7 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by Friday 24 March 2017. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

PBL Awards

Many children at our school have collected a PBL ribbon. Most children are aware they are to hand in 3 certificates and they will receive a ribbon. Once a child does receive 3 ribbons they must hand in their 3 ribbons to receive a banner.

In Short - 3 certificates = a ribbon

3 ribbons = a banner

Mr John Lister
Assistant Principal

PBL Awards for Weeks 9 & 10 – Term 1

Lilly McRae	Ribbon	1C
Lincoln Campbell	Ribbon	3CS
Isaac Necevski	Ribbon	K/1HM
Elise Hackworthy	Banner	3/4I
Lailah Perceval	Medal	4/5JH
Marissa Tnokovski	Ribbon	5/6N
Harlee Perceval	Ribbon	3/4B
Leiah Patching	Ribbon	1Hw
Zach Carney	Banner	1HW
Brayden Kelly	Ribbon	1HW
Jessica Fog	Ribbon	2UW
Cooper Densley	Ribbon	2UW
Ava Nuttall	Ribbon x 3	4/5JH
Ava Nuttall	Ribbon	4/5JH
Ava Nuttall	Banner	4/5JH
Jake Nuttall	Ribbon	3CS
Noah Mitchell	Ribbon	KMS
Zara Reynolds	Ribbon	2M
Hayley Stasiuk	Ribbon	5/6CW
Thomas Potter	Banner	2M
Thomas Potter	Ribbon	2M

School Disco

Our 1st School Disco for this year will be held on Wednesday 3rd May in the hall starting as follows:

Years K - 2 4.30 to 6pm

Years 3 - 6 & Support 6.30 to 8pm

Entry is \$5.00 at the door which includes entry, chips and a popper drink. A note will be going home with all details closer to the date.

Canteen News

Last day for lunch orders this term will be Wednesday 5th April, 2017. On Friday 7th April, 2017 the canteen will be open for over the counter sales only and it will be a "Red Day", Where lollies and assorted sweets can be purchased. No lunch orders on this day. Canteen will resume first day back next Term, Wednesday 26th April, 2017.