



# The Surveyor

A Newsletter for the Surveyors Creek Public School Community

Term 3

Week 2

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017

## Dates to Remember

27/07/17	Debating Competition - Round 3
27/07/17	Mufti-Day Fundraiser for Kaleb Ah-Colt (NSW PSSA Rugby League)
31/07/17	Education Week
01/08/17	P & C Meeting 3.30pm (Staffroom)
01/08/17	ICAS English
02/08/17	Education Open Day
08/08/17	P&C Pyjama Day - Gold Coin Donation
09/08/17	School Disco
15/08/17	ICAS Maths
16/08/17	Debate Round 4
16/08/17	Maths Olympiad
16/08/17	Mass Choir Rehearsal
16/08/17	Mass Choir Performance - 7pm
	Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre
17/08/17	Stage 2 Public Speaking Final
18/08/17	Stage 3 Public Speaking Final
21/08/17	Book Week
22/08/17	Wakakirri Performance - 7pm
	Riverside Theatre Parramatta
23/08/17	Book Week Parade
24/08/17	Cake Stall Stage 2
28/08/17	Blue Mountains Dance Festival
	Rehearsal
31/08/17	Father's Day Stall
08/08/17	Blue Mountains Dance Performance (Evening)

## PAYMENT/PERMISSION REMINDERS

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

**Stage 1 Rouse Hill House and Farm Excursion**  
payment of \$40.00 is due by 9.10am, Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.

**Father's Day Stall** – Order forms and money to be returned by 9.10am Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August in the P&C box inside the office.

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

Pyjama Day P&C  
Father's Day Stall  
Year 6 Pancake Day Fundraiser  
Education Day Activities

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

### Mass Choir

Rehearsal Dates

All Wednesdays 26/7/2017, 16/8/2017.

Performance Date: Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August - 7pm  
Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre

**Wakakirri Performance** Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August - 7pm  
Riverside Theatre Parramatta

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE HOURS 8:40am to 3:25pm

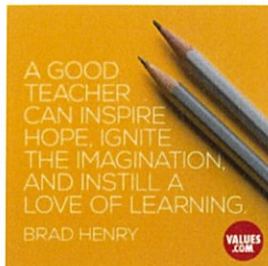
School Banking will be every Tuesday of school terms.

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



## **The Surveyor** **Term 3 Week 2**



### **From The Principal's Desk**

#### **Welcome Back**

Welcome back to Term 3. What a jam packed term this will be! Wakkakirri...Choir...School Disco and Validation just to name a few things. I hope everyone had a great holiday. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Catherine McCann-Smith in running the school in my absence.

#### **Kindergarten Enrolments 2018**

Just a reminder if you have a child or know of a child that is eligible to start school in 2018 (child must be turning 5 by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018) could you please start the enrolment process by visiting our School Administration Office and filling out the enrolment forms. At Surveyors Creek we interview all of our new Kindergarten students prior to starting. This year interviews will commence the beginning of Term 4. It would be very much appreciated if we could have letters for interview times out to parents by the end of Term 3.

#### **Congratulations**

A big congratulation's goes to Kaleb Ah-Colt for making the PSSA NSW Rugby League Opens Team. We will be having a fundraiser for him this week! Also to Levi Allaf-Boyd who had his first successful art showing at Glenbrook last term, Harry Smyth and Filip Adzic who represented our region at the state cross country and Ava Murray who represented Sydney South West in Netball!

#### **Disruptions to class...sick leave and other variations to routines!**

I thought I would address some issues that have come across my desk regarding the staffing of our school. I would like to firstly take the opportunity to thank our wonderful community for your understanding at this time of the year. Terms 2 and 3 are always our most difficult times of the year to find casuals to cover classes due mainly to the 'Flu' season, add to that two staff members who have severe back injuries and maternity leave it can create some interesting times. As you can imagine with a staff of 50-55 some days are harder than others. As a school we will always do our very best to cover classes however, once we have exhausted our preferred casual list and 'Call Connect' cannot fill our requests we have no other option but to split classes. We try and monitor classes that have been split and rotate them so it doesn't affect the same cohort of students and if a teacher is going to be away for a period of time we try and engage the same casual teacher for consistency. It would be lovely to have crystal ball to foresee these issues but life and sickness have a habit of getting in the road.



### **Collecting Students during the school day**

I understand that there are times when students need to be picked up during the school day for purposes such as doctor appointments and family issues and emergencies. We ask that if you need to take your child out of school that you do so before the recess and lunchtime breaks. It makes it hard to find your child during those times and when they do come to the office we then have to find their teacher to open up the classroom as classrooms are locked during those times and we can't send a student down to the classroom unsupervised. Alternatively, if you have to pick them up during those times can you let your child or the class teacher know that they will need to come up to the front office with their bag and wait for you to collect them. This would make the process more efficient and cause less stress, especially if you have time constraints.

### **Validation**

Our school has been selected to participate in the school validation process this year. The date has been changed and brought forward from the 26<sup>th</sup> October to the 7<sup>th</sup> September. Validation is where the school needs to provide evidence against the School's Excellence Framework in the areas of Learning, Teaching and Leading. A validation team will examine our evidence and determine whether we are delivering, sustaining and growing or excelling in each of these domains. I will keep you posted of our progress as we work towards the final validation.

**Yours in Education**

**Kathy Browne**

### **School Disco**

Our last School Disco for this year will be held on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August** in the hall starting from 4.30pm – 6pm for years K-2 & Support and 6.30pm – 8pm for years 3-6 & Support. Entry is \$5 paid at the door and includes chips and a popper drink. A note will be going home with all details.

**Thank You P&C Surveyors Creek Public School**

### **Pyjama Day**

This term the P&C have organised a fun day to raise money to purchase more technology and resources for our school. This will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2017. Please wear your favourite Onesie or Pyjama's along with sensible shoes (no slippers only joggers or closed in shoes) cost will be a gold coin donation.

**Thank You P&C Surveyors Creek Public School**

### **School Bus and Pedestrian Safety Promotion**

**"Slow down to 40 when bus lights flash – see a new video clip:**

<http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/be-bus-aware/index.html> School buses pick up and drop off children on roads all across NSW. Buses use signs and flashing lights to warn drivers that they are picking up and dropping off children. You must slow down to 40km/hr when bus lights flash and look out for children crossing the road. Be Bus aware and help keep our kids safe.

**Thank You**

**Jasmin Toro**

**Traffic Administration Officer**

## **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 1 & 2 – Term 3**

<b>Deegan McRae</b>	<b>Banner</b>	<b>3/4L</b>
Yvette Naudi	Ribbon	3/4H
Cayley Beauchamp	Ribbon	5/6Q
Joshua Cammans	Ribbon	<b>5/6Q</b>
Cooper Ovington	Ribbon	4/5JH
Grace de Carle	Ribbon	5/6N
Charlee Maher	Ribbon	3/4H
Hannah-Kate Proud	Ribbon	5/6Q
<b>Stephanie Dillon</b>	<b>Banner</b>	<b>3/4I</b>
Marissa Tnokovski	Ribbon	5/6N
Cooper Morrissey	Ribbon	5/6N
Callum Williams	Ribbon	4/5JH
Harrison Saliba	Ribbon	3/4B
Mitchell Brown	Ribbon	5/6N
Nicholas Suffield	Ribbon	5/6N
Indiana Bartak	Ribbon	KS
Byron Kerr	Ribbon	1C
Matilda Hennessy	Ribbon x 2	2M
<b>Matilda Hennessy</b>	<b>Banner</b>	<b>2M</b>
Zoe Hejduk	Ribbon	2L
Zoe Murie	Ribbon	1C
Briseis Taylor	Ribbon	1C
Levi Allaf-Boyd	Ribbon	2M
Isabelle Hennessy	Ribbon	2M
Kobi Atkins	Ribbon	KA
Maddison Lancaster Belan	Ribbon	K/1HM
Isaac Dawson	Ribbon	KS
Dalila Sanchez	Ribbon	2L
Mannix Tuliloa	Ribbon	KL
Ariella Manning	Ribbon	1C
Jamie McManamon	Ribbon	2C
Miller Haythorne	Ribbon	KS
Connor Bellamy	Ribbon	2L

**Term Three 2017**  
**Premiers Reading Challenge**

All students K—2 have completed the challenge as part of the Library Program and their Reading Records have been submitted by Mrs Burke.

Stage 2 and 3 students will need to have their Reading Records to Mrs Burke by -

**Friday 18th August** so they can be entered and validated.

Thank You to those students who have already handed in their Reading Records.

## **Bookweek**

We will be celebrating Bookweek from Friday 18th August to Thursday 24th August. During this time there will be a—

### **Bookfair in the Library.**

The Library will be open before and after school on most of those days with the books being available for purchase. All sales commissions will be put towards an Author Visit and Library resources.

Bookweek for SCPS will conclude with a **Book Character Parade on Wednesday 23rd August**. Students can start thinking about what they would like to dress up as. More information will be given as we get closer to the day.

**Penrith City Library is a valuable resource. I encourage all students to join the Library and take advantage of its services.**

## **Bookclub**

Orders for the current issue of bookclub are due by

**Friday 4th August**

All orders placed earn points for our school to help purchase resources. All orders need to be placed online.

## **Literacy Pro Lexile Reading**

Students in Stages 2 and 3 have been enthusiastically borrowing books from the Library to support this valuable program.

Online quizzes based on the levelled readers are completed by the students after reading their book. These quizzes can be completed at home. To access these go to -

<https://slz04.scholasticlearningzone.com/slz-portal/#/login3/AUS7CHC>

Students then enter their lexile username and password.

*(If it asks for an 'Org Id' enter -  
7chc)*

Helpers are always appreciated in the Library so please let Mrs Burke know if you can help.

**Thank You Mrs S Burke**

## **PSSA Report**

Date: Friday 21/07/17

Where:

PSSA Team: Jnr A's

Team played against: York P.S.

Who won: York P.S

Score: 10-2

Player of the Week: Jazmyn

Comments: It was a fun and fair game that everyone enjoyed. We definatley tried our best.

By: Jaida Timbs

Date: Friday 21/07/17

Where:

PSSA Team: Snr A's

Team played against: Cambridge Park

Who won: Surveyors Creek Public School

Score: 16-0

Player of the Week: Sienna

Comments: We played really well. The defence was great and so was the attack

By: Hannah Rowe