



The Surveyor

A Newsletter for the Surveyors Creek Public School Community

Term 2 Week 2

Wednesday 8th May, 2019

Dates to Remember

09/05/19	Mother's Day Stall
13/05/19	Soccer State Cup Knockout
13/05/19	Naplan Online Begins
21/05/19	P & C Meeting (Staffroom) 6.30pm
24/05/19	Naplan Online Last Day
24/05/19	League Tag Penrith Cup
27/05/19	Responsible Pet Ownership
28/05/19	Rouse Hill Year 1
29/05/19	Debating Round 1 - Surveyors Creek Public School
29/05/19	Rouse Hill Year 2
31/05/19	Ribbons & Banners Assembly held at 2.10pm
05/06/19	Synergy Dance Festival Evening Performance
11/06/19	Synergy Dance Festival Matinee Performance
13/06/19	Early Stage 1 Cake Stall
14/06/19	K-2 Athletics Day
19/06/19	Maths Olympiad
26/06/19	Choir Rehearsal
28/06/19	Basketball Penrith Cup
03/07/19	Reports go home
05/07/19	Last day of Term 2
05/07/19	Ribbons & Banners Assembly held at 2.10pm
23/07/19	Students Return Term 3
23/07/19	Athletics Carnival Years 3-6 day 1 (held at Surveyors Creek Public School)
24/07/19	Athletics Carnival Years 3-6 Day 2 (held at fields)
30/07/19	Stage 2 Camp - Botanical Gardens & Taronga Zoo - Year 3
31/07/19	Stage 2 Camp - Botanical Gardens & Taronga Zoo - Year 4
12/08/19	Canberra Excursion Years 5 & 6 Departing
14/08/19	Canberra Excursion Years 5 & 6 Returning

PAYMENT/PERMISSION REMINDERS

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

No late payments will be accepted

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

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Stage 1 Rouse Hill

Please return the permission slip and payment of \$45.00 by **9.10am Tuesday 21st May, 2019** if paying online please make payment by 6pm Monday 20th May 2019.

Stage 2 Camp - Botanical Gardens & Taronga Zoo

Please return any outstanding balance owing to the office by **9.10am Tuesday 2nd July, 2019**. If paying online please make payment by 6pm 1st July, 2019.

Stage 3 Canberra & Snow Excursion

Please return permission slip by 29th March 2019 and full payment or any instalment's by **9:10am Friday 31st May 2019** if paying online please make payment by 6pm 30th May 2019.

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

Notes home this fortnight

Responsible Pet Ownership

Synergy Dance Festival Ticket Information

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

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 at 2.45pm (that's even weeks) and every Tuesday morning from 8.40am (odd weeks) of school terms.

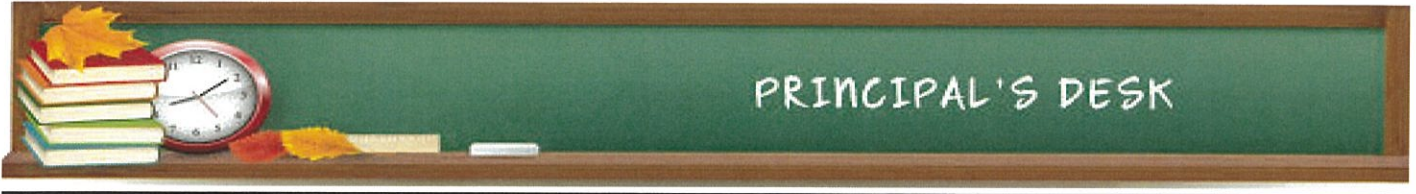
ASSEMBLIES FOR 2019: Weeks 5 & 10 each term



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Term 2 Week 2

From The Principal's Desk



Welcome back to Term 2! I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday. The weather was sensational and I am sure many of you would have taken advantage of taking some leave to have 10 glorious days off! We have a very busy term ahead. NAPLAN Assessment is week 3 for students in Years 3 and 5. Reports will go home at the end of the term.

Thank you to all the parents who came up for Parent Teacher Interviews at the end of Term 1. We are sitting at around 90% attendance which is fabulous.



Playground Update

It is amazing what can happen in the holidays! The fences went in around our sandpits and play equipment. The Eco turf went in behind and next to admin block and also next to the library. The students were so excited today and had a lovely time playing at recess and lunch time. It was lovely to have children thanking me for the new grass. We also had classes out there doing reading groups, enjoying the sun shine and glorious weather. Stay tuned for more to come!



Some of you may have noticed our new school gardens at the front of the school and around the car park. On Saturday myself, Mrs McCann-Smith, Mr Smith GA, Mr Bellamy-Connor's dad, Mr Brown-Brock's dad and Steve our school cleaner planted over 350 plants. It was a huge feat for the Sensational Six!

We worked from 8am until 3:30pm, to say we were tired was an understatement and we couldn't have done it without everyone's help. The reward for all our hard work was that our gardens look sensational and I can wait until they become more established. Thank you to the many parents who rang to say that they would have helped if not for sport. We have many more gardens to go in

especially in our sandpit and fixed equipment area. Next time we will make it a Sunday in the hope that we can get some more volunteers.

In the school holidays we had sensors put above the urinals in the boys' toilets in both K-2 and 3-6 blocks. These sensors are on a timer and will continually flush the urinals. The hope is that with continual flushing the urine won't sit in the urinal and the smells will be eliminated. The toilets were also deep cleaned and scrubbed. I have spoken to all the children about toilet hygiene and asked them not to play in the toilets, to wash their hands after using the toilet and use the hand sanitiser when exiting the toilet.

The OOSH changeover has gone extremely well. I have been extremely impressed with all the work they have put into ensuring that your children are safe. They are highly organised and myself and Mrs McCann-Smith have been over to inspect their operation and have been very happy with their range of activities and the way the children have been catered for. I have also had some wonderful feedback from parents and carers regarding the service. Well done to everyone!

Here's to a great term!

Watch out for all the amazing things that will be happening in our playing spaces!

Yours In Education

Kathy Browne

Principal

Intention to apply for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Opportunity classes cater for academically gifted and talented students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test and school assessments. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on **Wednesday 31 July 2019**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2020, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **Tuesday 30 April 2019** at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

The application website opens on **Tuesday 30 April 2019** and closes on **Friday 17 May 2019**. You must apply by the due date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after **30 April 2019**.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Remember: The tear-off strip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely,

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO AN OPPORTUNITY CLASS. This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE:

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Intention to apply for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for opportunity class placement in 2020. Yes ☐ No ☐

I understand that I need to register and then apply through the department's website. Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, either:

I have internet access and will be applying online ☐

OR

I do not have internet access and will use the public library to complete the application

Signature of parent/carer: _____ Date: _____

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