



The Surveyor

A Newsletter for the Surveyors Creek Public School Community

Term 1 Week 4

Wednesday 19th February, 2020

Dates to Remember

25/02/20	P & C Meeting 6.30pm (held in the Staffroom)
26/02/20	PBL Ribbons and Banners Assembly 12.20pm to 1.10pm
28/02/20	Penrith Cup Gala Day Cricket Hunter Fields, Emu Plains
05/03/20	Interrelate Years 3 & 4 6pm – 7pm
05/03/20	Interrelate Years 5 & 6 7.15pm – 8.15pm
09/03/20	Stage 2 Camp
10/03/20	Stage 2 Camp
11/03/20	Cross Country
12/03/20	Selective High School Test
17/03/20	Leadership Day GPLA @ Glenmore Park PS
18/03/20	Cross Country Back up day
19/03/20	Cake Stall Stage 3
23/03/20	Stage 1 Excursion Year 1
24/03/20	P&C Meeting 6.30pm In Staffroom
25/03/20	PBL Ribbons and Banners Assembly 12.20pm to 1.10pm
26/03/20	Stage 1 Excursion Year 2
03/04/20	Penrith Cup Gala Day – AFL Hunter Fields – Emu Plains
06/04/20	Showcase Of Talent
08/04/20	School Photo Day
09/04/20	Easter Hat Crazy Hair Parade
09/04/20	Last Day of Term 1
27/04/20	Staff Development Day
28/04/20	Students return Term 2
28/04/20	Anzac Assembly
30/04/20	Blue Day
01/05/20	Zone Cross Country

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

Stage 3 Showcase of Talent

Please return permission slip and make payment of \$5.00 to the office by 9.10am Monday 30th March, 2020. If paying online please complete by 6pm 27th March, 2020

Year 6 Polo Shirt

Please make a deposit payment of \$20 or \$40 full payment to the office by 9.10am Friday 28th February 2020. If making payment online payment please complete by 6pm 27th February, 2020

Interrelate

Please make payment of \$32.00 for 1 Family Session or \$37.00 for 2 Family Sessions to the office by 9.10am 28th February, 2020.

Stage 2 YMCA Camp Yarramundi

Please complete permission note and make a payment of \$205 by 28th February, 2020. If paying online please make payment by 6pm 27th February, 2020

Stage 1 Field Of Mars Reserve Excursion

Please return permission slip and payment to the office by 9.10am Friday 6th March if making online payment please complete before 6pm 5th March, 2020

Notes home this fortnight

Stage 2 YMCA Camp

3-6 Sport

Literacy Pro and World Book

Interrelate

Year 6 Polo Shirt

Stage 3 Showcase of Talent

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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE HOURS 8:40am to 3:25pm

School Banking will be every Tuesday of school terms.

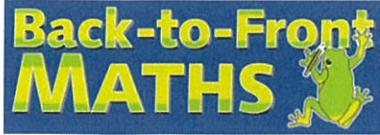
Clothing Pool will be every Thursday afternoon at 2.45pm and every Tuesday morning from 8.40am during the School Terms.

ASSEMBLIES FOR 2020: Weeks 5 & 9 on a Wednesday each term 12.20pm to 1.10pm



In the classroom and around the grounds!

Back to Front Maths!



This past week we have had Leah O'Neil from 'Back to Front Maths' present demonstration lessons (K-6) to teachers using different strategies to teach number in the classroom. We are the first school in NSW to implement this program. Staff participated in professional learning after school and our Director Educational Leadership was also present. I look forward to sharing our progress with you.

Robotics in the Classroom



Today we had the STEM coordinator from the Department of Education present lessons using coding and robotics to Stage 1 students. We have been very fortunate in having Mrs Borg organise this amazing educational experience.

Vegie Gardens

It's full steam ahead for the next step in our 'Back yard Project'. We



are constructing 20 vegie gardens behind the demountables.

These gardens will supply our students with produce to cook with, and hopefully in turn, supply our canteen with yummy vegies. It's hoped that in the future we will have chickens and possibly native bees (these do not sting).

Playground

We have purchased more bikes for our Lorikeet Playground and we are in the process of looking at another area to put in some static equipment. The plan for this year is to also resurface the basketball court.

Computers



The school has just spent \$68,000 to purchase 100 lap tops and docking stations. This will compliment what we already have. It will mean that every classroom from year 1 up will have 10 laptops for the students to use. It is due to the support of our community volunteers, the hire of our hall, our wonderful canteen helpers and Cherie and the parents who do our school banking. All of these things generate revenue that allows us to purchase resources for our wonderful school.

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to all of you who took the time out of your busy family lives to come up for Meet the Teacher evenings last week. It was extremely well supported and appreciated by the teachers, especially to those parents and carers who came out on multiple nights.



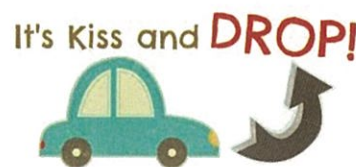
Student Voice

2020 is off to a great start. Our new kindergarten students are loving their first 2 weeks of school with

their buddies and teachers. Most classes have nominated their SRC Reps and house teams have chosen their sport Vice Captains and Captains.

Our annual school swimming carnival will be held Thursday 20th of February at Ripples, Penrith Swimming Centre.

KISS and DROP-Council Parking Audit



Last Thursday Penrith Council did an audit on the traffic congestion and parking around our school at the conclusion of the day.

The parking auditor expressed her concerns over the issues that she saw. She voiced that she was absolutely appalled by the lack of respect for the road rules in and around our school, so much so, that she could have issued more than 30 to 40 infringement notices.

I have constantly addressed these issues through the newsletter and at P&C meetings and I am very frustrated that these behaviours continue.

The Auditor will be putting all the issues in writing and when I receive the list I will publish it so that everyone is aware. She is also going to clarify the parking in the Kiss n Drop area. Council puts the time allowed in a Kiss n Drop Zone to be no more than 2 ½ mins and community are not allowed to park there from 2:40. Please be advised that rangers will be patrolling in the coming weeks.

Staff Car Park & Community Parking



Mrs Smith and I were out in the staff car park last week and there were still a number of parents and carers trying to park in there at 3pm

to pick up students. We also had a number of parents and carers walking their children through the car park at the end of the day. Once again **Parent/carers are not permitted to park in the staff car park nor are parents and carers to walk through the car park. This is not because I want to be difficult but so I can keep everyone safe.**

** Of course parents and carers are able to park when dropping their children off at 'Cubbyhouse' in the morning before 8am and when collecting them after 3:30pm.

Assemblies-Week 5 Assembly will be the 'Badge Assembly and PBL Ribbons'

**Assembly will start at 12:20pm in the hall on the 26th February, 2020

Year 6 will be presenting and providing the item.

Just a reminder below of when items will be presented.

T1 Wk 5	Year 6
T1 Wk 9	Year 5
T2 Wk 5	Year 4
T2 Wk 9	Year 3
T3 Wk 5	Support
T3 Wk 9	Year 2
T4 Wk 5	Year 1
Celebration of learning	Kindergarten

Wednesday's with Mrs Browne-Starts This Week

Each Wednesday from 2:10 teachers will be sending up 2 students per class and 1 student from each of the Support classes to the library to meet with me. This will be to show me the learning they have achieved during the week. I will send them home with a small certificate to tell you that they had come to see me. **This will not count as a 'White Award'** and is purely to let you know that they were chosen to see me. I will be giving out 'White Awards' during the year for outstanding work and these may be used with your child's other 'White Awards.'

Yours in Education

Mrs Kathy Browne

Principal

EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!

Canteen Volunteers Needed

The Canteen is run by our P&C and our wonderful volunteer parents unfortunately we need more help to be able to keep this facility open for our students.

If you are able to spare either a Wednesday or a Friday possibly weekly, fortnightly or even monthly, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to help please contact Ms Cherrie Lilley in the canteen or the ladies in the front office.

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**
 3 Banners = **a Medallion**

Mrs Jane Borg

Teacher

PBL Awards for Weeks 1 to 4– Term 1

Liliana R	Ribbon	1H
Lucas P	Ribbon	2S
Madeleine O	Ribbon	2S
Makayla H	Ribbon	3N
Xavier M	Ribbon	3D
Aston V	Ribbon	3D
Callum S	Ribbon	4M
Jessica F	Ribbon x 2	5L
Jessica F	Banner	5L
Jessica F	Medallion	5L
Troy S	Ribbon	5C
Addison C	Ribbon	5H
Eric B	Ribbon	5L

Luke M	Ribbon	6H
Sienna M	Ribbon	6MW
Evie B	Ribbon	2Q
Samara S	Ribbon	2Q
Evie B	Ribbon	2Q
Samara S	Ribbon	2Q
Samara S	Banner	2Q
Liliana Roughley	Ribbon	1H
Archie de carle	Ribbon	3S