

# NEWSLETTER

## TERM FOUR WEEK FOUR 2020

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### School Term Dates 2020

Term 1 Tuesday 29 January - Thursday 9 April (Students return Wednesday 30 January)  
Term 2 Monday 27 April - Friday 3 July (Students return Tuesday 28 April)  
Term 3 Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September (Students return Tuesday 21 July)  
Term 4 Monday 12 October - Friday 18 December (Students finish Wednesday 16 December)

## School Calendar

Tuesday 3 November - Stage 3 Camp to Nepean Adventure Centre  
Wednesday 4 November - Stage 3 Camp to Nepean Adventure Centre

### Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school for the final term of the 2020 school year. I hope you were able to enjoy some valuable family time over the break and that your children have come back to school refreshed and ready for a busy term. It is hard to believe that we are at this point in the year, as we start to prepare for end of year activities and events. While this is an exciting term and an exciting time of year, it is of the utmost importance that our students ensure that learning remains at the fore, and that they put their best effort into everything they do this term.

#### Virtual Assembly

Last Friday, we held our second very successful Virtual Assembly in place of our regular combined assemblies. At this event, we awarded and celebrated the achievement of our students who achieved Silver and Gold Awards, as well as SRL Badges and Banners.

We also had the opportunity to award our Poetry Recital winners from Term One. Congratulations to all students who received an award at this assembly. We will be holding another Virtual Assembly later this term (approximately Week 6 or 7), so please ensure your child hands in their awards if they are due to receive a Silver or Gold Award or an SRL Badge of Banner. Thank you to Mrs Wilson for her coordination of the Virtual Assembly.

#### Selective High School

Last week, all Year 5 students were given a note regarding Selective High School placements for 2022. Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods. Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 11 March 2021. If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school

entry in 2022, you 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 in late September 2020 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at that link on 13 October 2020 and closes on 16 November 2020. You must apply before the closing 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 13 October 2020. You must submit only one application for each student. Please inform the school if you are intending to make an application for your child.

### **Tell Them From Me**

This term, we will be designing our new four-year Strategic Improvement Plan 2021-2024. We will be seeking your feedback in a variety of ways to help shape our directions for the next four years. The Partners in Learning parent survey is part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys on student engagement. The parent survey helps to clarify and strengthen the important relationship between parents and the school. The data collected from the parent survey is anonymous. The survey isn't compulsory but we strongly encourage all parents to complete it so we can plan for improvement. All you need to do is click on the link below and this will take you to the survey. Thank you in advance for your time. The survey window closes at the end of this week.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/Picton1>

Ordinarily we would be busy planning our Community Planning Afternoon Tea for this term. Now, as we embark on designing our new school plan, your voice and ideas are more valuable than ever. While we cannot hold this event, we are working on ways to ensure we capture your ideas so that you have genuine input into our school directions for the next four years. More information on how this will occur will be distributed shortly.

### **Save The Dates**

Early this term, we received notification that schools can proceed with Year 6 Farewell celebrations. Venue hire still presents as a challenge in the current climate, however, I am pleased to inform you that the Year 6 Farewell will be held on **Monday December 14, 2020**. Please mark this date in your calendar! Preparations are also well underway for our annual Presentation Day. While this will look different this year as we will be

unable to have parents attend, the date that we will be holding our Presentation Day is **Wednesday December 9, 2020**. Please also add this date to your calendar. More information on both of these events will be distributed in the coming weeks.

### **Canteen Online Ordering**

Our canteen now has online ordering facilities for you to order your child's lunch. Please consider taking advantage of this new resource, particularly at a time where adult visitors onto school grounds is limited. A brochure on how to setup your online account is included in this newsletter.

### **Excursions and Camps**

This week, our Stage 2 students are heading off to Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre for an excursion and in Week 4, our Stage 3 students will head off to Nepean Adventure Centre for their overnight camp. While we are very happy to offer these exciting opportunities, it is important to remember that activities such as these are a privilege, not a right. It is essential that students' behaviour warrants participation in such an activity. While these exciting events are approaching, please ensure you speak with your children about maintaining positive behaviour to ensure they are able to participate. It is also important for families to remember to make payment by the due date. Any families who are experiencing difficulty in making payment are encouraged to speak with our office to see how we may be able to support you.

### **SRL Token Winners**

Congratulations to the following students, who were our SRL Token winners this week:

*Week 2 - Noah and Tyson*



Wishing everyone a wonderful fortnight ahead!

Mr Nathan Neilson  
Proud Principal

# Online Enrolment System

We are excited to announce we will be rolling out the new Online Enrolment System from Monday, 26 October 2020.

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into **local** schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enroll online. If, however you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office or can be downloaded from the Department's **going to a public school website**.

Further information about online enrolment can be found on our website.



# School

## online ordering

Convenient. Cashless. Contactless.

Register now!

Order your canteen

meals today.



### A simple way to order online



[www.quickcliq.com.au](http://www.quickcliq.com.au)

### Need help

Phone or email us - Monday to Friday, 7:30am - 4:00pm  
Call 1300 11 66 37 | [support@quickcliq.com.au](mailto:support@quickcliq.com.au)



## Purchase canteen meals online.

No cash. No problem! Try QuickClio today!

QuickClio is an innovative online ordering system trusted by schools and parents across Australia. QuickClio is a cashless solution that helps you manage your children's canteen orders from the comfort of your home or office.



### How to get started

- QuickClio is free to set up and easy to use
- Register at [www.quickcliq.com.au](http://www.quickcliq.com.au)
- **SIGN UP** and complete the registration form
- Receive a link via email to **ACTIVATE** your account before logging in
- **ADD STUDENT**, add your child's details, select their school and save to your account
- **ADD CREDIT** to your online wallet before ordering or pay as you go using credit or debit card
- Select **MEAL ORDER** and you're good to go

Orders can be placed up to 28 days in advance. You can view your completed orders via the Active Orders or Transaction History tabs in your account.

### Want to know the best thing about QuickClio?

- ✓ One family, one account - you will have one unique and secure login to manage all your children's orders, even if they attend different schools. QuickClio saves you time and gives you complete visibility over your family's needs.
- ✓ Tired of looking for change every morning before your kids run off to school? With QuickClio, lunch money is a thing of the past.
- ✓ We're giving control back to you over your children's diets. By ordering their lunch ahead of time, you can ensure they are eating healthy and balanced meals.
- ✓ QuickClio was designed with mobile access in mind. Simply login to add credit and order, all from the convenience of your smartphone or tablet.
- ✓ To top up your account you have three options: Direct Debit / Credit Card / PayPal
  - Direct Debit - 0.50c transaction fee
  - The surcharge to add credit is 15%
  - The surcharge for PayPal is 3.8%
- When placing an order there is a small booking fee per transaction per student.

Our Call Centre is here to assist your families with ordering online Call 1300 11 66 37





## the School Locker

School hats are now available at the uniform shop.  
Opening hours are Tuesdays from 8.45am to 11.00am.



The Uniform Shop is still accepting donations of second hand uniforms. Second hand uniforms will be available to purchase for \$2 on Tuesdays from 9am to 10am next to the uniform shop.

We are in need of winter uniforms if you have any please drop them into the box in the Admin Office please.



If you are paying any fees by EFTPOS in the office, payments need to be made by 3pm.

Thank you

## Magpie Box



Please ensure all money is placed into the **Magpie Box** which is on the wall outside the Admin Building.

## SCHOOL BANKING FOR 2020



**STUDENT BANKING HAS RETURNED**

**PLEASE PLACE YOUR CHILD'S BANK BOOK IN THE MAGPIE BOX BY**

**WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**

Please hand your bank books into the office by **Wednesday** as our volunteer Mrs Beverly Roams processes them on a Wednesday morning.

**Beverly Roams**