



Ashmont Public School

# Bulletin

*To Dream. To Inspire.  
To Succeed.*



Yindyamarra



Term 4, Week 8



## ***Bucket Hats***

Students will be required to wear our blue school bucket hats from the beginning of Term 4.

They can be purchased for \$5 at the Office.

## A Message from our Principal

### **North Sydney Girls High School Band**

Last Thursday a sixty piece band from North Sydney Girls High School, who are on a tour around NSW, visited Ashmont Public School. The band performed well-known pieces and others that were unfamiliar. This was a most enriching musical experience for our students.

Our students were intrigued with the many different instruments on display and were highly engaged when singing and dancing to well known and loved pieces. The girls from the band also joined in with many audience activities, providing an excellent and interactive performance throughout. Many comments from students and staff expressed the high caliber of the band and the quality and appropriateness of the music performed.

We were lucky to be one of the two schools in Wagga Wagga to host the band and thanked them with a BBQ lunch, which our captains were able to attend. They talked to many of the band members and directors. The girls, explained one of the directors, enjoyed the performance at our school and looked forward to seeing Wagga's sights, including a little bit of shopping at the Marketplace.

We wish the North Sydney Girls High School Concert Band all the best for their future destinations and performances.



"Learn from  
yesterday,  
Live for  
today,  
Hope for  
tomorrow."

Albert Einstein

## Messages for our parents

### MAHS Orientation Day

All Year 6 students will be attending the Mount Austin High School Orientation Day on Wednesday 3 December. Permission notes have been sent out and need to be returned by Friday 28 November to allow for catering. The cost of this excursion is \$2. Students will need to take their recess and a drink, but will be provided with a sausage sizzle for lunch.

### End of Year Parties

Towards the end of the year, students will be attending end of year parties. K – 2 students will be going to Noah's Ark and 3 – 6 students will be going to Narrandera Pool.

A separate note has been sent home to all students on Neutral to Gold Level, keeping in mind that only students on positive levels will be able to attend.

### Crossing the Roads

Students and parents are reminded to cross at the children's crossing before and after school. It is important for our students to learn these essential safe crossing habits. It is important to cross at a place which is monitored and allows students to have clear line of sight in both directions. The T-intersection in front of our top gate requires students to perform a three-way check which greatly increases the dangers. To this end, we will endeavour to have the top gate locked at the end of the school day to remind students to cross at the crossing.

## Important Dates

Student leadership elections 2015	1 December
MAHS Orientation Day	3 December
Sports Assembly	4 December
Presentation Night	8 December
Student reports	9 December
Welfare Assembly	9 December
Year 6 Farewell	10 December
Year 6 Assembly	12 December
Students last day	17 December

## Canteen Roster

Wednesday – T. Bennett

Thursday – T. Bennett

Friday – K. Warner

Monday – D Tootell

Tuesday – K. Warner / A Phillips



## Sydney Excursion

Friday saw the return of tired but more cultured Stage 3 students from Sydney last Wednesday to Thursday. The trip was greatly anticipated and the atmosphere was electric as we left on Wednesday morning for this excursion. Major attractions visited included the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre, Taronga Zoo, Manly Ferries, Darling Harbour, Imax Theatre, Chinatown, Paddy's Market, and the Sydney Opera House.

The trip to Sydney was uneventful. Few stops were made, each stop inching us closer towards our destination. As we entered into the outskirts and western suburbs of Sydney, traffic became denser and the students were able to see the new development areas of Sydney. Shortly after, we arrived at the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre, where the students had a swim at the world famous swimming facilities. After a short sojourn at Collaroy Centre, the location for our stay, students ended their day with a short paddle at Collaroy Beach. Some had not seen a beach before.

Thursday, as anticipated, became our busiest day. Another early morning, and a trip in Sydney traffic took us to Taronga Zoo, where we were able to see many exotic animals. Following the zoo visit, a trip on the ferry allowed students to see the many sights of Sydney Harbour, including Fort Denison, Circular Quay, the Sydney Harbour Bridge, and the Opera House. Finally disembarking at Darling Harbour, we visited the Imax theatre, world's biggest screen, for The Unseen World 3D – a movie about things that are too fast, too slow or too small to be seen. After a short break, we took a walk to Chinatown and Paddy's Market, using these landmarks as part of Our Asian Neighbours learning for Term 4. Many students bought trinkets at the stores and are beginning to learn the power of haggling. After the market visit, we took a short walk down to the iconic Opera House. As many of the students were feeling fatigued, we did not complete the Sydney Harbour Bridge walk, but rather rode the coach over it and experienced peak hour traffic. Once more, we broke for dinner at Collaroy Centre before heading to Manly Beach for a short swim.

Friday was our rest day, as we said our farewells to Sydney. The long coach ride was mostly uneventful, with only one traffic accident which hindered our return. Many students, while glad to be home, were sad to leave Sydney.

The trip was a success, with all the students experiencing a small bite of one of the most famous cities in the world. Many of the places we visited praised the students for their curiosity and behaviour throughout the trip and all should be congratulated for their conduct during this excursion. Our next major excursion is Ballarat in 2015 and we look forward to taking our now Years 4 and 5 on this trip.

## Toy Run

This year our school is participating in the annual Toy Run. Motorcycle riders will visit the school to collect any donations of new and good quality preloved toys. Your donation can be left at the school for collection by the group.

### Dear Parents, Family and Friends,

You are invited to our Kindergarten – Year 2  
"Christmas Sing-a-long"

Wednesday 11 December 2014, 9.45am  
in the hall. We would like the children to  
dress in the colours of red, white and green.

Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2 students on a positive behaviour level are invited to our

### Term 4 Christmas Dance.

Monday 15 December from 5 – 6pm.

Come in Christmas Dress.

Cost: \$2 each or \$5 per family.

This covers the cost of an icy pole and spot prizes. We look forward to our last FUN  
SOCIAL for 2014

### K-2 Christmas Party -

### Thursday, 11 December, 2014

All K-2 children on a positive level will be treated to a special party which includes an excursion to Noah's Ark and a party lunch back at school on Thursday 11 December, 2014. The cost is \$5 – to cover the cost of entry into Noah's Ark, bus transport, an ice block and watermelon. The children may wear party clothes (with back and shoulders covered) and sensible shoes (no thongs). It is a requirement that all children wear socks at Noah's Ark.



## Head Lice

We have had reports that some children have had head lice. We advise parents to please check their child's hair and if found, please use the proper treatments available.

We have been informed of a new head lice treatment by a parent. The product has been highly recommended. Licener Single Treatment is an easy-to-use head lice shampoo that kills head lice and their eggs in just one single application of 10 minutes, with no combing required.

We have contacted the pharmacy at South City and they have ordered the product which will be in stock this week.



## Kapooka Preschool

Accredited as **EXCEEDING** in all 7 quality areas by ACECQA 2014

Vacancies exist in our 3, 4 & 5 year old groups.

Feel free to visit our wonderful preschool, open to all in the community.

Cost: Fees range from \$19 to \$36 per day.

Registered Care Rebate is available



### Principal's Award Winners

**Tora Niki &  
Tyla Heinrich**

**School Office hours  
8.30am to 3.45pm**



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