Miranda Public School



Term 4 | Week 1

KOOKABURRA GAZETTE



Principal's Message

Welcome back for Term 4. I hope that all families had a relaxing holiday break and that all students are ready for an exciting and very busy term 4.

Interrelate

A reminder that the Interrelate parent / student evening is organised for Wednesday 17th October. All participating families are asked to meet in 3J classroom just prior to 6pm.



CALENDAR

17 October - Inter-relate

23 October - Kindy Orientation

24 October - FBTS

25 October - Last Cake Stall K/6B, K/1B, 4/5W

25 October - Milo Cricket Final

25 October - PHHS Transition

28 October - Brick Fair

30 October - Kindy Orientation

31 October - Yr 6 Fundraiser Halloween Dress Up

Genuine Farmer's Market

Sadly, I have just received news from the genuine Farmers Market to say that they have decided not to continue with the Markets at Miranda P.S.

These farmers travelled from the Central Coast area for the market and said that unfortunately it wasn't a viable option to continue at Miranda. We wish Melissa and the team all the best for their local market area.



Harmony Russian School of Sydney

I would like to welcome Harmony Russian Community School to Miranda Public School. This group will be using our facilities to run an after school class.

This Friday 19th October they are having an open classroom information afternoon from 4:30pm in the primary RFF room. All interested families are welcome to attend. Please see attached information at the end of this newsletter.

Kindergarten Orientation

We welcome our new 2019 Kindergarten students and their families to our school. As part of their school orientation, students and families have been invited to visit our school over the following three Tuesdays 23rd and 30th October and 6th November. We are looking forward to meeting all our new students and their families.

PHHS Orientation

Year 6 students who will be attending PHHS in 2019, will be participating in a 4 week orientation program. High school orientation will begin Thursday 25th October 1:15-2:15pm and will continue each Thursday until the 15th November.



Our Leader In Me Habit for Weeks 2 and 3 is:-



Students show initiative and are the type of student that does things without being told.





Brick Fair Fundraiser

A reminder our P & C Brickfair fundraiser is on Sunday 28 October. We still require volunteers, if you are available please RSVP Kirsten on km584@optusnet.com.au

Late Arrivals

We are having increasing numbers of students arriving late to school on a regular basis. Parents and students please be mindful that the bell time is 9.10am for students to move into class for the day. It is expected that all students arrive at least 10 minutes before that bell, in order to place lunch orders, listen to announcements and be prepared for the days class. Any students arriving after bell time should be accompanied by an adult to verify the reason for their late arrival.

We understand that sometimes there are reasons that make it unavoidable for the students to arrive late to school, but please be aware that we are required to record these absences. It is also disruptive for the teachers in their classes. I would appreciate your co-operation in ensuring your children arrive to school on time.

Milo Cricket





We wish our Senior Milo cricket team all the best in the zone finals when they compete next Thursday 25th October.

Film by the Sea

A reminder that next Wednesday 24th October, many students from Miranda will be attending either the Matinee or the Evening Viewing of Film by the Sea films. We are very excited that Miranda P.S was successful in having three films chosen in this year's festival.

Thank you to Mr Skene, Miss McMillan and Mrs Isaacs for all of your hard work as part of the Film by the Sea committee.

Halloween Mufti Day Wednesday 31st October

On Wednesday 31st October, we will be having a Halloween Mufti day.

I remind parents to think carefully about the choice of outfits that students are allowed to wear to school and to be mindful that our school has students of all age groups. We want everyone to enjoy the day and feel safe and comfortable at school.

Outfits that have knives, axes, swords or excess blood/ horror overtones are <u>not</u> appropriate to be worn at school. No weapons that are part of outfits are to be brought to school.



Applications for Year 7 entry into a selective High school 2020.

Notes were sent home with year 5 students this week. **Parents must apply online** if they wish to have their child sit the Selective High school Test, which will be held Thursday 14th March 2019.



P & C Fundraiser

A reminder that orders for commemorative pavers and tea towels have been extended until the 31st October. Please see the attached flyer if you wish to place an order.

Relieving Principal

Narelle Chaplin



STUDENT WELLBEING SUPPORT OFFICER

I would like to introduce myself, my name is Tristan Bray and I'm the newly appointed Student Wellbeing Support Officer at Miranda Public School. It's still early days for me, I'm getting to know the school's culture and systems, the staff, as well as the amazing students and so far the school community has been very welcoming to me!

A bit about myself, I am 22 years old, one of five brothers and have worked with young people (voluntarily & employed) for a combined total of 3 years now. I work part-time here at Miranda PS and part-time as a youth worker for the Salvation Army.

My role here at Miranda PS involves working as part of the Learning Support Team and as such, I am responsible for checking on and assisting students in growing and maintaining their social and emotional wellbeing. This changes from day to day and week to week – I may catch up for a chat with students, individually or in groups, sit in on reading groups or be out in the playground playing handball, basketball etc. You will find me wherever I can be of support to the students. I also run self-development programs which aim to further enhance your child's social-emotional capabilities eg. social skills, interrelating, anger management etc.

I look forward to meeting and getting to know the members of this great community, and collaboratively working towards a safe, joy-filled, thriving Miranda Public School.

Regards,

Tristan Bray – Learning Support Team.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is now on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. This is a free service provided to the children of Miranda Public School.



ALL WELCOME!

Meet the teachers



Shot presentation about school



The Harmony Russian School of Sydney are hosting an Open Day

n Friday, 19 October 2018 from 4:30pm until 6:30pm.







Volunteering adult receives FREE entry into the Brick Fair

Gate Entry or Drinks & Cake Stall

RSVP: Kirsten (Amelia Crocker 5/6T) km584@optusnet.com.au



Information about applying for Year 7 2020 entry to selective high schools in

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2020?

You must apply online at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7



Key dates

Tuesday 9 October 2018 Application website opens

Monday 12 November 2018

Application website closes. You must apply by the due date.

Thursday 28 February 2019

Test authority advice sent to all applicants

Thursday 14 March 2019

Selective High School Placement Test

Friday 5 July 2019

Placement outcome information is sent

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

There is more information at https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc

Parents should check this website for updates all the way through the application and placement process. Please check the website for information before you contact the Unit.

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