### **Miranda Public School**



Term 4 | Week 10

# KOOKABURRA GAZETTE



#### Principal's Message

This will be our final Newsletter for 2018. It has been a wonderful year for our students and staff at Miranda Public School.

I wish all of our Miranda Public School community a safe, happy and restful holiday break and thank you for your support throughout 2018.

#### The Leader in Me and Dance performances Monday 10th Dec

Thank you to the many families who came up to our assembly and performances on Monday.

Congratulations to all of our award winners and all students K-6, who presented some amazing dances, a fantastic effort by each and every one of you!

Thank You to Mrs Isaacs and the Leader In Me Torch Team and Mrs Cairnduff for co-ordinating our dance performances.

## Presentation Day Assemblies

It was wonderful to celebrate the achievements of our students at the K-2 Assembly on Tuesday and the 3-6 Assembly on Thursday.

I thank Mrs Shields and Mrs Cairnduff for their efforts in coordinating these assemblies.

It was wonderful to see so many parents in attendance and I thank you for all of the positive feedback I have received regarding both events.



#### **CALENDAR**

17th Dec - End of year Picnic Day

18th Dec - Year 6 Farewell

19th Dec - 2pm year 6

Graduation

#### **School Leadership Teams**

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful work of our 2018 School Leaders Marvin, Angelina, Shees, Sienna, Dylan and Sonya. I wish them all the best as they make the transition to High school.

#### Leadership Team 2019

I would like to pass on my congratulations to our successful Captains, Vice Captains and prefects for 2019.

Captains: Louis and Tia, Vice Captains Blake and Tahnee and Prefects Holly and Nickolai

#### **Travelling Overseas**

If you are planning on travelling overseas in the January holidays and may be returning back to school in the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week, please be advised that we need to have a written copy of your planned return date to school. This is ensure that your child's name will be counted in our required enrolment numbers for early Term 1 2019. If you are planning to be away longer than 5 days, please ask the office for an application for extended leave form.

#### Murals

Our wonderful 125 Celebration Murals were installed today and they look amazing.

Thank you so much for your beautiful work Margaret Lopez.

#### Year 6 Fete Day

Great work to all of our year 6 students and their teachers on Fete Day.

Unfortunately the wet weather meant that we had to head under cover but the students had a great time none the less.

#### **End of School Activities**

Monday 17th Movie Fun Day

Tuesday 18th Year 6 Farewell Miranda RSL

Wednesday 19th Year 6 Presentation 2pm

#### **Students Return 2019**

Staff will return 29th January.

Students in Years1-6 return January 30th.

#### **Outstanding Fees**

Reminders have gone out to those families who still have outstanding fees for 2018. The school does rely on these payments for Mathletics, textbooks, stationery etc. as payment for these resources come from our departmental funding, which is allocated for utilities and site upkeep. These fees are mandatory, unlike the voluntary contributions. We would greatly appreciate any families with outstanding fees to make payment before Wednesday 19th December 2018.



#### Good Luck Year 6

As part of our student community, I have known most of you since kindergarten and have watched you grow and mature into the wonderful young people you are today.

You have been an exceptional Year 6 group, who have been amazing leaders in setting an example to the rest of our school.

I wish you all the best in the next exciting part of your educational journey as you transition on to high school next year.



Relieving Principal

Narelle Chaplin

<b>PRINCIPALS</b>
AWARDS

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Polina		2H
Alecia		2/3T
Isabelle		2/3T
Caleb		2/3T
Ruby		5/6T
Logan		K/6C

<u>Uniform Shop</u> - The uniform shop is now closed and will re open in 2019. We will be open Tuesday 29th Jan, Wednesday 30th Jan and Thursday 31st Jan from 9-10am. We will than be open every Wednesday morning from 9am-10am.

We wish to thank parents, grandparents, caregivers and students for supporting us throughout the year. Your support is very much valued and appreciated. Have a wonderful Christmas and a safe holiday.

Lets hope 2019 will see peace and harmony in our world.

Thankyou

Heather and Faye

#### Russian School

What a wonderful time we've had every Friday after school hours at Harmony Russian school. We are very lucky to have this opportunity to learn a second language at Miranda Public School.

This term we've participated in SBS National Languages Competition 2018 "What amazing possibilities does learning a language open for you?" We enjoyed our cooking class "Have Fun learning Russian".

I want to wish each of you a very happy and joyous Christmas time. May you find time to rest, enjoy family togetherness and make many memories.

Mrs. Irina Goodhew, Principal Harmony Russian School of Sydney Inc. Kind regards Irina

























## School Community Charter



## Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.

The following School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

We treat each other with respect

#### What our schools provide

NSW public schools work to create positive environments for students, staff and the entire school community that support student learning. We strive to ensure that every student is known, valued and cared for.

#### The best education happens when parents and schools work together.

The School Community Charter aligns with the NSW Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018 - 2022.



#### Positive environments

It is important that our NSW public schools are positive environments and that parents and carers are kept informed of students' progress and school announcements.

Parents and carers can expect:

- To be welcomed into our schools to work in partnership to promote student learning.
- · Communication from school staff will be timely, polite and informative.
- Professional relationships with school staff are based on transparency, honesty and mutual respect.
- · To be treated fairly. Tolerance and understanding are promoted as we respect diversity.

We prioritise the wellbeing of all students and staff

> Unsafe behaviour is not acceptable in our schools

We work together with the school

Ensuring respectful learning environments for all members of NSW Public Schools communities.

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We create collaborative learning environments

We all play our part We work
in partnership
to promote
student
learning

#### Communicating with our schools

Our staff will find a time to talk to you when they can give you their full attention. Please remember that while our staff are in class or dealing with other matters, they may not be available to answer your questions immediately.

Our schools and communities will make sure that written communication is appropriate, fair and easy to read. We encourage you to use email and social media appropriately to connect with your school and stay up-to-date with up-coming events in the school community.

Our guide for parents, carers and students provides useful information about the complaints process:

education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-complimentsand-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students

#### Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

To ensure the wellbeing of students, staff and the community in our schools, steps will be taken to address unacceptable behaviour. This may include restricting contact with the school community or, in more serious cases, referral to NSW Police.

## Unacceptable behaviour may include but is not limited to:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- · Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.











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