



KOOKABURRA GAZETTE



Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that we are already heading into week 4 of Term 4.

It is such a busy term and there are so many exciting events and initiatives planned for this Term.

I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate some outstanding teaching staff and community members associated with our school.

Australian College of Educators Teaching Award

I am extremely proud to announce that Mrs. Connie Metros, our Learning and Support Teacher, will be receiving a Teaching award from the Australian College of Educators, acknowledging her outstanding contribution to teaching and fostering links with our wider community.



Mrs. Metros will receive her award next Tuesday night at the Australian College of Educators Award night.

Congratulations Mrs. Metros, on this very much deserved award.

Cook Community awards.

I would also like to take the opportunity to congratulate our very hard working Clothing Pool volunteers, Heather Mitchell and Faye Ellicott.

Heather and Faye, who have volunteered their time at our school for over 40 and 20 years respectively will be receiving a Cook Community Volunteer award at an Awards Ceremony to be held at Cronulla on Saturday 7th of December.

Thank you to both Heather and Faye for your continued support at Miranda Public School.

CALENDAR

PSSA Season 3 begins

Kindergarten Orientation Day
3—7th November

SU Athletics Carnival - 1st Nov
6th November—Cake Stall

7th & 14th November—Year 6
Port Hacking High School
Transitions

11th November—
Remembrance Day Year 6
Westfield

Film by the Sea

A big congratulations to Mr. Skene and his class K-6S and Miss McMillan together with Stage 3 who had their class/grade films featured in the Film by The Sea Festival last Wednesday night at Event Cinemas Miranda.

The Film by the Sea was a hugely successful event and as leading committee members, Mr. Skene and Miss McMillan deserve to feel extremely proud of their involvement and organisation of the event.

Thank you also to our resident Storm Trooper, Mr. Wooley who wowed the crowds at the event.

For access to the Leader article regarding this event, please click on the link below.

<https://www.theleader.com.au/story/6461050/red-carpet-rolls-out-young-talent-for-film-by-the-sea/>

Kindergarten Orientation Wednesday 30th October and Thursday 7th November



It has been absolutely lovely meeting our new Parents and Kindergarten students who will be starting in 2020.

The past two orientation days have been extremely successful with our new Kindy Students enjoying and participating in a range of activities.

It has been wonderful see our Year 5 students meeting their Kindergarten buddies for next year.

Thank you to Miss Tuite and the junior choir who performed and provided entertainment during today's orientation session and to Mrs. Shields and Miss James, for the wonderful organisation of the Orientation Days.

K-2 EduMarking

If you have visited our K-2 playground recently, you may have noticed that work has started on our asphalt upgrade. Our new games and stencil art will be completed over the next few weeks. We anticipate a colorful new area for our students to enjoy.

Before and After School Survey

Our school has formally begun the tendering process for an onsite before and after school care facility operating at our school, which will benefit our school community.

As part of this process, we require community data on who would utilise before and after school care facilities at our school.

To support our application process, please complete the survey sent home this week with all students and return to the school office as soon as possible.

PRINCIPALS AWARDS

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Toa—1/2T

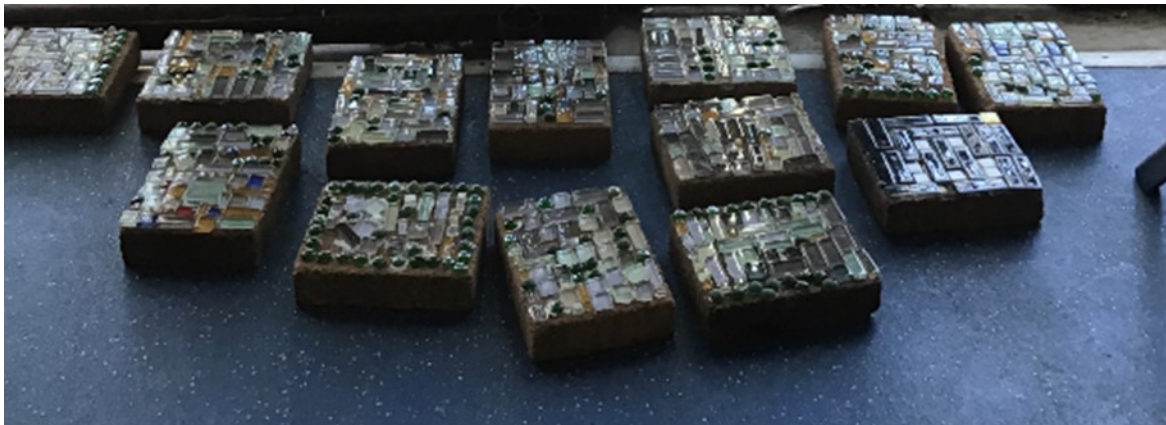
Logan—4/5W

Not Just a Brush Exhibition

Thank you to the parents that have donated plastic bottle tops for our sculptures which will be entered into the "**Not Just a Brush Exhibition**" to be held at Hazlehurst Gallery in November this year. Our sculptures are progressing well, under the expert guidance of community artist Margaret Lopez. We still need more bottle tops and any old unwanted CD's if you have any to donate, please send in to the school office.



Students are also busy working on mosaic pavers which will be incorporated into the 125 years display which is being prepared for installation at the school.



Great work everyone involved.

With so many exciting projects happening at the moment – it's no wonder that the term seems to be flying by. Have a great upcoming Week 4 everybody.



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Kind Regards

Narelle Chaplin

Relieving Principal



Miranda Public School - Term 4 Week 8-10: Year 6 Events Overview

	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
December	8	2	3	4	5 <u>Year 6 Circus Excursion</u> Wear Sports shirt with tights or tracksuit pants	6
December	9	9	10 <u>3-6 Presentation Day 12:30pm</u>	11 <u>Year 6 Farewell Dinner 5:30pm</u> Miranda RSL	12 <u>Christmas Disco</u> Year 6 fundraiser K-6 during school hours – Christmas muffi	13 <u>Year 6 Fete Day</u> students wear muffi
December	10	16 <u>K-6 Picnic Day at Kurnell</u>	17	18 <u>Last Day of term for all students!</u> <u>Year 6 Graduation Assembly</u> school gates open from 1:30pm for a 1:45pm start	19 <u>Happy Holidays</u>	20 <u>Happy Holidays</u>



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30th October 2019

Year 6 Westfield Remembrance Day Service

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 students have been invited to attend the 2019 Westfield Remembrance Day service being held at Westfield Miranda on Monday 11th November. Students will be participating in placing a poppy by the fig tree and being part of the small service with local RSL members and Westfield staff. Students will walk to and from the venue with Ms McMillan during the morning session.

Students are asked to **wear their full summer uniform** (there is no Zumba fitness being held in Week 5). Please return the attached permission note by Friday 8th November 2019.

Kind regards,

Mrs J. Cairnduff
Relieving Assistant Principal

Mrs N. Chaplin
Relieving Principal

Year 6 - Westfield Remembrance Day Service - Monday 11th November 2019

I hereby give consent for my child _____ class _____ to attend the Westfield Remembrance Day Service being held at Westfield Miranda on Monday 11th November 2019.

I understand students will be walking to and from the venue and will be accompanied by Ms McMillan.

By signing below I acknowledge and understand that my child may be photographed or filmed by Westfield staff or the general public.

Signature of parent/caregiver _____ **Date:** _____

My son / daughter has the following special needs (please provide full details and include any relevant medical details):

I understand that my child will receive medical treatment in the case of an emergency.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

When a medical practitioner has prescribed medication (including emergency medication) that will need to be administered during the excursion, parents are responsible for:

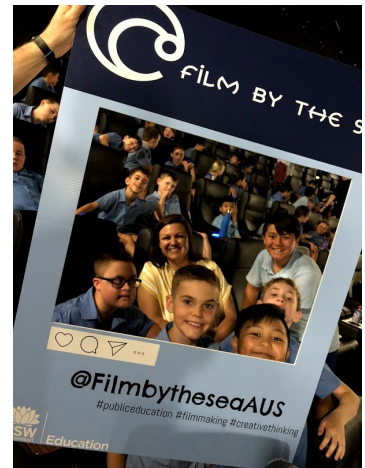
- Bringing this need to the attention of the school
- Ensuring that the information is updated if it changes
- Supplying the medication and any 'consumables' necessary for its administration in a timely way. The medication should be well within its expiry date.

Collaborating with the school in working out arrangements for the supply and administration of the prescribed medication for the duration of the excursion. For some excursions the school will ask you to supply the medication in a different way to what has already been agreed to by school. You may be asked to supply an additional adrenaline autoinjector (i.e. EpiPen®) for example.

Parent/Carer _____
Signature

Date _____

Film By The Sea





Welcome to Primary Ethics (SEE) at Miranda Public School!

Thank you for electing your child to attend Primary Ethics (Special Education Ethics) Classes. A first for Miranda Public School!

Stage 2 commenced in the middle of Term 3 and now we can welcome a new Volunteer Teacher for the Kindergarten class in Term 4 2019!

The participation and responses in discussions have been wonderful!

We welcome more Volunteer Teachers to help with expanding this curriculum across all stages.

For more information or to learn more about Primary Ethics in schools, please feel free to visit: <https://primaryethics.com.au/>

or speak to your MPS Volunteer Coordinator: Jessica Hicks on 0422 865 300.

Thank you from your Volunteer Teachers,
Mrs Jessica Hicks & Mrs Naziah Gargan



Primary
ETHICS



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22nd August 2019

School Uniform Policy

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

This is a reminder that all students are to be wearing correct Miranda Public School uniform when attending school or when representing the school at Inter-school events. Unfortunately, we have noticed that since the weather has become cooler, several students are wearing items of clothing that are not school uniform e.g. different coloured jumpers, jackets, colourful or grey tights and colourful long-sleeved shirts under school uniform tops. If students do not have a Miranda Public School jacket or jumper, they may wear a plain royal blue jumper or royal blue jacket. Boys tracksuit pants should be plain royal blue and girls are to wear plain unpatterned blue tights.

Our Uniform shop is open on Wednesday mornings from 9am. Orders can also be made at the school office Mon - Fri. Alternatively, our uniform is for sale at Claudine's Clothing at Caringbah.

A reminder also to parents, that we have an increasing amount of lost property at the school. If your child is missing any uniform items please come in and check, as they may have been placed in the lost property.

Could you also **ensure that all your child's clothing is clearly marked with their name** to make it easier to return any lost items to them.

We do appreciate that the majority of students are adhering to our school uniform policy, demonstrating pride in their school and setting an example to others, through their smart standards of dress.

Thank you to all parents and caregivers for supporting our school uniform policy.

Kellie Shields
Relieving Assistant Principal

Narelle Chaplin
Relieving Principal

FACT SHEET

ROAD SAFETY FOR KINDERGARTEN PARENTS

Do you have children starting kindergarten next year? Starting school is very exciting for your child. They may not be thinking much about safety, but you should.

Children are small, hard to see, behave unpredictably, and are extremely vulnerable. Their lack of road experience means it is difficult for them to judge dangerous situations. They will need your help to spot the dangers around traffic.

Sutherland Shire Council wants all children to be safe going to and from school - and that depends on you. Act safely when driving or walking around schools so our children will learn to be safe too.

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

- Make sure your children are in an appropriate child restraint in the car that is fitted and used correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit and keep a sharp lookout in school zones as children are about and can be unpredictable.
- Always park and turn legally around schools and avoid dangerous manoeuvres like U-turns and three-point turns.
- Up until the age of eight, always hold your child's hand whenever cars and other vehicles could be around. Park your car and walk them to the school gate.
- Drop older kids off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area.

- Avoid calling out to children from across the road because they may run to you without checking traffic.
- It's safest for the kids to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road, away from passing traffic.
- If walking to school, plan your trip so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

STOP, LOOK, LISTEN AND THINK

Every time children cross the road, remind them to:

- **Stop** one step back from the kerb
- **Look** for traffic to your right, left and right again
- **Listen** for the sounds of approaching traffic
- **Think** whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and use them when they are old enough to travel alone.

This brochure has been developed from the Transport NSW Centre for Road Safety website <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au>

Find out more about Australian Road Rules at www.rms.nsw.gov.au

SIGNS YOU WILL SEE AROUND SCHOOL



NO PARKING

What does it mean?
You CAN stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle at all times.

Why is it there?

To provide a safe place for older children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children.



NO STOPPING SIGNS & CONTINUOUS YELLOW EDGE LINES

What do they mean?

You CANNOT stop in these areas FOR ANY REASON.

Why are they there?

To keep sight lines clear for drivers AND children so both have more time to avoid crashes.



BUS ZONE

What does it mean?
You must NOT stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.

Why is it there?

To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up. Cars parking in bus zones put lives at risk by forcing buses out of 'their' safety zone.

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Parents not Partners

This is a six-session program for separated parents in conflict over their children. It is designed to improve emotional and developmental outcomes for children in separated families by:

- raising parents' awareness of the impact on their children of the ongoing conflict in their family
- providing them with knowledge, tips and strategies to be able to focus on their children rather than on their issues or conflicts with the other parent

Parents will learn:

- ways to better regulate their emotions and to self-care
- ways to help their children manage their emotions
- to recognise the effects of ongoing, mismanaged conflict on children
- skills to better manage conflict with the other parent
- to reorient interactions with their child's other parent to be respectful and cooperative
- to recognise and differentiate between their own and their children's individual needs
- skills to communicate effectively with the other parent
- to reflect on their behaviour and make changes where needed

Mondays, 5:15pm – 7:45pm

28 October | 4 November | 11 November

18 November | 25 November | 2 December 2019

Cost: \$150

Family Relationship Centre

383 Port Hacking Road South, Caringbah 2229

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408

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**15th
November**
6.00pm-9.00pm

**Come & enjoy our unique shopping
experience at Yowie Bay Public School.**

**We have many new exciting stalls and
many of our favourites returning.**

Come along with your friends, Mum & Grandma.
Browse through our fabulous selection of
boutique stalls with unique gifts for Christmas.

Port Hacking High School are sending
special selections from their Performing
Band to give us some music to shop to.

Buy a \$10 ticket for your chance
to win a lucky door prize and
receive a free glass of champagne
to sip whilst shopping!

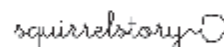
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Over 200 girls recently shared the stage with Hugh Jackman in *The Man, The Music, The Show* Arena Tour to sold-out audiences around the country. We're proud to have represented Qantas in the 'Still Call Australia Home' advertisements and at live events for the past 20 years.

Now accepting 2020 enrolments for our rehearsal venues in Annandale, Beecroft, Caringbah, Dee Why, Kellyville, Mosman, North Parramatta, North Ryde, St Ives, Strathfield and Waverley.



Join us at our **OPEN DAY** on October 27 (Beecroft & Waverley) or November 2 (Caringbah)

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Shire Dads

This is a monthly group that provides a place for fathers to come and share their stories with other dads. The group includes an interactive workshop on a different parenting topic each month. The group also provides support for general issues that men face, such as relationship breakdowns and difficult life transitions.

The group assists dads to:

- Discuss parenting issues they face in a confidential, respectful and non-judgmental environment
- Learn and share wisdom, knowledge and life experiences with other men.
- Support other men experiencing life's challenges, connect and make some friends or just have a chat.

Thursday 14th November, 5:30 – 7:45pm

(second Thursday of each month)

Venue: Interrelate Caringbah

383-385 Port Hacking Rd, Caringbah.

Cost: \$15 Bookings essential — phone 8522 4408





Circle of Security Parenting

The Circle of Security Parenting program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened. Parents, grandparents and carers of children are invited to join our 6-week program that will help you:

- learn how to recognise your child's needs and better understand their behaviour
- be supported as a parent and gain ideas on how to make parenting easier
- begin to understand your own reactions to your children.

The program increases awareness of children's needs and develops an understanding of how our responses can meet those needs.

Wednesdays, 5:30pm – 7:30pm

13 November | 20 November | 27 November | 4 December

11 December | 18 December 2019

Venue: Interrelate Caringbah, 383 Port Hacking Rd, Caringbah

Special price of \$50 for the 6-week program

Bookings essential — phone 8522 4408

The Circle of Security is an internationally recognised parenting program, designed to strengthen and build secure parent-child attachment. Decades of university-based research has confirmed that secure children show increased empathy, greater self-esteem, better relationships with parents and peers, enhanced school readiness and an increased capacity to cope with challenging situations.

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