



KOOKABURRA GAZETTE



CALENDAR

25th April - Anzac Dawn
Service meet 5am for 5.30am
service

30th April - 9.45am Anzac
Service

2nd May - School Photos

3rd May - Vision Van arrives
- PSSA starts

7th May - Cyber Safety talk
- Mothers Day Stall

8/9/10 May - Stage 3 to
Berry

10th May - K6S Luna Park

15th May - P & C AGM 7pm

Principal's Message

Cross Country Carnival

Congratulations to all the students who competed in our Cross country carnival held on Wednesday. The Cronulla Zone Carnival will be held on Monday 13th May.

Thank you to Mr. Williams and teachers who assisted in the smooth running of the event.

Thank you also, to our P and C helpers, who provided a pop-up canteen at the event.

Easter Raffle and Hat parade

Thank you to the many families who joined us yesterday at our Easter Hat Parade. As always, the Easter hat parade is a very popular event and students had an amazing time parading their hat- creations.



Thank you to Mrs. Tarrant and Miss James, who coordinated the event.

Congratulations to our captains Tia and Louis, who compared the event and kept us entertained with EGG-CITING jokes and humour throughout the parade. Miranda Public School was very fortunate to have a special visit from the Easter Bunny, who made an appearance at the parade.

Well done to the Stage 3 students for their EGG-CELLENT EGGS-HIBITIONS, which were on display in the library.

Once again thank you to all of the families who donated chocolates for our Raffle. The Torch Team raised an amazing \$1500 for the Easter Raffle. Thank you Mr. Skene coordinating ticket sales for this event.

Expression of Interest Opportunity Class Placements for 2020

Notes were sent home yesterday, for parents who may be interested in applying online for their child/ children to sit the test for Opportunity Class placements. Parents are required to complete an online expression of interest. More information is included at the end of this newsletter.



Anzac Day Dawn Service

Any families and students who are interested in joining the school to participate in the ANZAC DAY dawn service are invited to meet on the corner of Kingsway and Wandella Road (near District Office) at 5 am on Thursday 25th of April. We will assemble in front of the RSL at 5:30am and join the parade going to the Memorial in Central Road.

Anzac Day School Service

Our Anzac Day School Service will be held on Tuesday 30th April at 10am in our school hall. Parents are invited to attend and students are encouraged to bring a floral tribute to lay at our Lone Pine memorial, after the assembly.

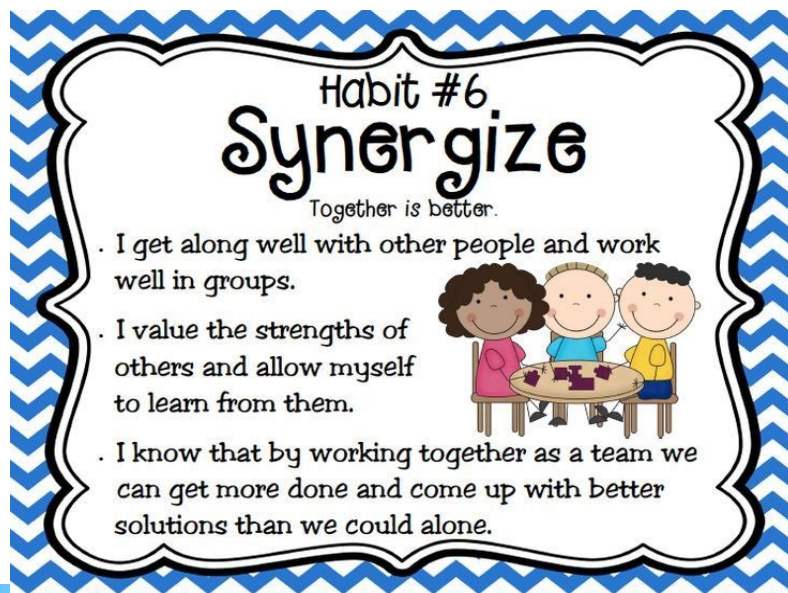
P and C AGM

Just a reminder that the AGM for our School P and C will be held on Wednesday 15th May 7pm.

All parents are invited to attend

Cyber Safety Parent Meeting

On Monday 5th June, 9:00-10:00am we will be hosting a Cyber Safety talk for interested parents. The talk will be held in our school library and will be hosted by Senior Constable Deb Wilson, our Sutherland Shire Youth Liaison Officer, from the Sutherland Shire Police area command.



Year 6 T Shirts

A Big Thank you to Mrs Townsend for organising our Year 6 shirts. They look amazing.

Happy Holidays

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of our teaching and non-teaching staff for the hard work and effort that have gone into making Term 1 such an outstanding term of learning for our students at Miranda. I would also like to thank all the parents who support the school in so many different ways.

I wish everyone a safe and happy Easter and holiday break and look forward to seeing students back at school on Tuesday 30th April.



Narelle Chaplin

Relieving Principal

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A big THANK YOU to our school community for getting behind and supporting the Torch Team Easter Raffle.

Congratulations to all the basket winners at the Parade.

With your support of donations and buying raffle tickets the team was able to raise **\$1,520.**

The students are looking to donate some of the money to a charity and use the rest on a school project.

Stay tuned next Term for the outcome.

Miranda PS Torch Team



Uniform Shop - The Uniform Shop is open every Wednesday from 9-10am or orders may be placed and collected from the office. Donations of used Miranda Public School uniforms are always appreciated. These can be donated or sold on your behalf. Please make sure they are in reasonable, wearable condition and freshly laundered.

"Happy Easter" have a safe and relaxing holiday.

Heather & Faye (Uniform Shop)





Education

High Performing Students Team

Information about applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in

2020

(Parents must read this document before submitting an online application)

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020?

You must apply online at
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>



Key dates

Tuesday 30 April 2019

Application website opens

Friday 17 May 2019

Application website closes at 5.00pm

You must apply by the due date

Wednesday 17 July 2019

Test authority letters sent to applicants

Wednesday 31 July 2019

Opportunity Class Placement Test

Mid-October 2019

Placement outcome information is sent

Application information should be read carefully before applying.

It is on the website at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Note: The information in this document is available in an accessible format on the website.

Parents* should check this website regularly for updates all the way through the application and placement process. Please check the website and Facebook for up to date information before you contact the Team.

The opportunity class placement process for Year 5 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team[^].

Contact details

High Performing Students Team

NSW Department of Education

Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au **Telephone:** 1300 880 367 **Fax:** 02 9266 8435

Postal address: Locked Bag 53, DARLINGHURST NSW 1300

Website: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/159342048077050/>

[^] In this document, the High Performing Students Team is referred to as the Team.

Parent is defined under the *Education Act 1990* as 'a guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'.

A list of the primary schools with opportunity classes is shown on page 2 of this document.

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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.

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 treat each other with respect

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.



We create
collaborative
learning
environments

We
all play
a part

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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-compliments-and-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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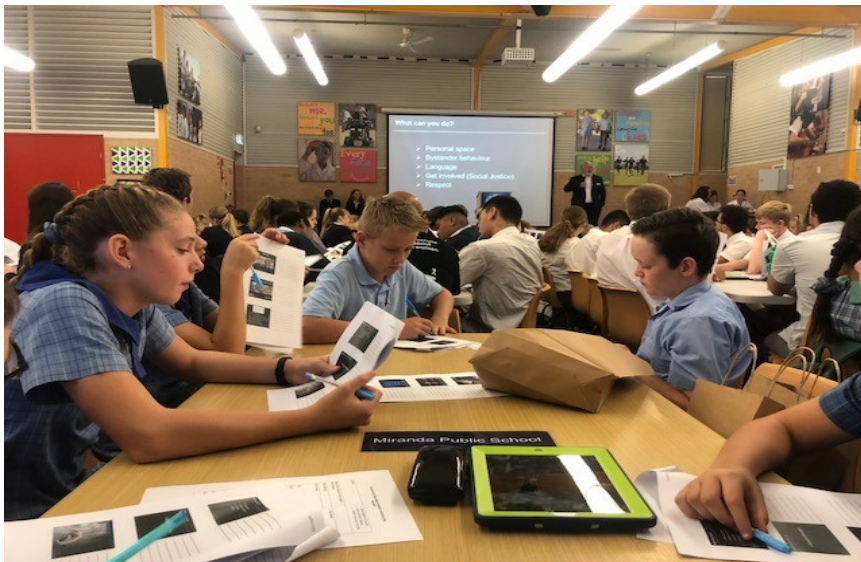


Cross Country



White Ribbon Day

Our leadership team attended a White Ribbon Student Ambassador Day, to learn about initiatives and programs running in different shire schools.





2019 NEWS TERM 1 Week 11

A School Built on Strong Relationships



Hi Everyone,

Sadly, we've come to the last week of Term 1. It has been a very eventful term and we're very grateful to everyone for their generosity in helping and donating!

We trust you will all have a wonderful Easter break and look forward to seeing you join us for our Term 2 events!

UPDATES



Thursday 28 March: We had a very successful 1st Cake stall for this year and raised about \$300.00!

However PLEASE REMEMBER to clearly label all ingredients used in your homemade treats and mark your name on your container so they can be returned to you.

Wednesday 10 April: It was exciting to see so many students showing their amazing running abilities and trying their hardest at Wednesdays' Cross Country.



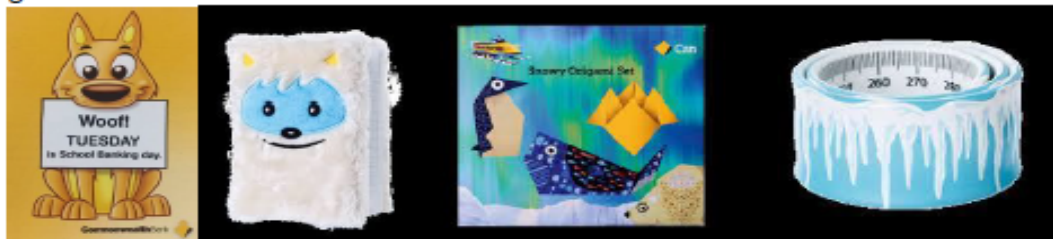
Thank you to all the parents and students for your help and for supporting our Pop Up Stall we raised \$270.00!



WHAT'S ON: TERM 2

School Banking: Starts again in Week 1 Tuesday 30 April

School Banking is not only a great way for kids to learn about money, it also raises money for Miranda Public School! Commonwealth Bank sponsors us for every 10 deposits made per student AND the students earn prizes for their great saving habit!



We are also RECRUITING for more Volunteer Helpers to process the School Banking for our students. Enjoy the company of other parents and training is provided!

Feel free to contact me for more information. Jessica 0422 865 300



From 01 May 2019



Our boxes for Miranda Public School are ready in the office and waiting for your stickers!
We have Sticker Sheets available in case your local Woolworths run out.

We can earn so many great valuable resources for our students, so get ready to start collecting!



Save the Date!

**Tuesday 7 &
Wednesday 8 May**

Mother's Day Stall

Gifts @ \$5.00 & \$10.00

Helpers required!

Contact Jessica 0422 865 300



2019 Mother's Day Stall

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Gifts for Mums, Grandmothers, God Mothers, Auncies, and Special Ladies



\$5.00 Gifts



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Shaker Maker



'Rio' Keyring



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Hand Cream (Large)



Magnetic Notepad



Sticky Note Set



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'Mum's' Glass



Water Bottle Infuser



Mixing Water Bottle



'Inspired' Earrings



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Body Care Pack with Scented Sachet



'Racy' Thermal Travel Mug with Scented Sachet



Grandmother Photo Frame with Keyring Grandmother Mug & Coaster with Pen

Helpers Welcome! Contact Jessica on 0422 865 300

All profits go towards Miranda Public School!

Wednesday 15 May: Miranda Public School P&C Annual General Meeting

We invite all Parents, Carers and Community members to attend the Annual General Meeting on
Wednesday 15 May 2019 *Date changed from 01 May**

If you want to:

- ✓ Get to know the needs of the school
- ✓ Get to know other parents/carers
- ✓ Be involved with the fundraising for the school
- ✓ Engage in Student and/or Family events and activities



Feel free to come and join us at our next meeting to know more about how you can help our school make an enjoyable learning environment for the students.

We also need **YOUR** input on how to model our committee and direct attention to where it's needed most. This is your opportunity to ask questions and understand the needs of the school and the students.

At the May meeting all positions will be declared vacant and we expect to vote on 2019 Roles, such as President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Fundraising Coordinator, etc. These roles are open to anyone interested and easy to step into. All resources and any information you may need is readily available. There's a great team of committee members and the MPS Community that support these roles.

We hope you can join us to make a difference at Miranda Public School and we look forward to seeing you there!



Thursday 23 May: Cake Stall

Our Term 2 Hosts for this day will be 5/6T, K/1J and K6C



June 2019: Loose Change Challenge will be back! More info to come!

125 Years Anniversary Pavers

Pavers have arrived! Mrs Chaplin is working on how this will be displayed around the Lone Pine Tree.
More info to come!



Little Caesars Sponsorship

Little Caesars is supporting Miranda Public School with this great offer that is available
EVERY DAY (online order)



Feel free to share this special **CODE MPS2019**
to **ALL** family and friends!

This code gives you a DISCOUNT and RAISES money for MPS!

Raffle Prizes for: Mother's Day, Father's Day, Christmas

We are still looking for and Welcome Sponsors/Donations towards our 2019 Raffles. These raffles help MPS raise money from outside our school's community. It also gives you the opportunity to let your neighbours, families and friends know how great Miranda Public School is for our students.



Thank you for supporting Your P&C.
Please feel free to contact me with any enquiries or offers of assistance. Jessica Hicks | 0422 865 300 | 2018-19 P&C President



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Seasons for Growth

This is an eight-week program for children aged 6 to 12 years that have experienced grief and loss in their lives due to a significant change such as death, separation of parents or a natural disaster.

Children will learn:

- to understand and talk about the normal range of emotions experienced during major change, grief and loss
- how to build positive relationships with family and friends
- how they can participate in a caring and confidential network of peers and adults
- about resiliency
- how to plan for a realistic and hope-filled future

Mondays, 4:00pm – 5:00pm

6 May | 13 May | 20 May | 27 May

3 June | 17 June | 24 June | 1 July 2019

Cost: \$50 per child

Venue: Caringbah Interrelate

Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd., Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408

Note: This program is developed by Good Grief and facilitated by Interrelate





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, 6:30pm – 9:00pm

29 April | 6 May | 13 May

20 May | 27 May | 3 June 2019

Cost: \$150

Family Relationship Centre

383 Port Hacking Road South, Caringbah 2229

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4450

FUN-FILLED SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Autumn school holidays are fast approaching. Have you considered enrolling your little ones in some Council-run FUN?

Council offers a range of activities and programs for the kids over the school holidays. From bushwalks to Bubble Soccer, drama to dancing, painting to picnics, from stories to swimming and everything in between – Sutherland Shire Council has **something for every child!**

SUTHERLAND SHIRE LIBRARIES
• BUSHCARE • SUTHERLAND SHIRE
LEISURE CENTRES • HAZELHURST
ARTS CENTRE • VACATION CARE •
SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

Full program visit: sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/schoolholidays



FAMILY DAY CARE CHILDCARE INFORMATION SESSIONS



Join us for a coffee, meet our Educators and learn how Sutherland Shire Council Family Day Care can meet your child's early education and care needs.

Saturdays 4 May
27 July
12 October

9.30am

Gymea Bay Resource Centre
27&A Gymea Bay Road, Gymea Bay

REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE:
sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/careinfo

For enquiries: T 02 9710 0466
sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/careinfo

SUTHERLAND SHIRE
CHILDREN'S
SERVICES

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HEAD TO THE CINEMA FOR ALL THE ACTION

FREE
KIDS ACTIVITIES
BEFORE MIDDAY

WATCH & PLAY

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
<p>1</p> <p>Download your own character mask and make it your own!</p> <p>2</p> <p>Watch a Disney movie and make a Disney character mask!</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Watch a Disney movie and make a Disney character mask!</p>	<p>4</p> <p>SHAZAM!</p> <p>In Cinema today</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Watch a Disney movie and make a Disney character mask!</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Watch a Disney movie and make a Disney character mask!</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Watch a Disney movie and make a Disney character mask!</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Watch a Disney movie and make a Disney character mask!</p>
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SEE 4 OF THESE 6 DISNEY & PIXAR FILMS

FOR YOUR CHOICE TO WIN

Disneyland

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FAMILY SAVER

SESSIONS

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