Miranda Public School



Term 3 / Week 6 26 August 2022

Kookaburra Gazette

Dates to remember

Term 3 2022	All events are subject to the COVID restrictions in effect at that time.
Mondays	Groove Nation
Tuesdays	Stage 3 Drone Workshop
Wednesdays	SRE and Ethics
26-8-2022	P&C Fathers' Day Stall – please see flyer in this newsletter
29-8-2022	Personalised Learning Pathways Review Meetings
30-8-2022	Special Education and Integration Funding Review Meetings
1&2-9-2022	P&C Fathers' Day Stall – please see flyer in this newsletter
2-9-2022	P&C Loose Change Drive Finishes
6-9-2022	Special Education and Integration Funding Review Meetings
7-9-2022	Stage 2 Learning Centre Displays
8-9-2022	Public Speaking Stage Finals
13-9-2022	Stage 2 Science Incursion/ Investigations
14-9-2022	Sydney East Athletics Carnival
16-9-2022	Lap-a-Thon / Colour Run
22-9-2022	Stage 3 Wax Museum Presentation
23-9-2022	Last Day of Term 3

Book Week Parade







Cronulla Zone Athletic Carnival

Congratulations to all of our students for their excellent participation and behaviour on both days of the Cronulla Zone athletics carnival. We are very proud of all of the students for trying their very best and displaying excellent sportsmanship. We also need to acknowledge the excellent organisation by the Cronulla PSSA committee and our parents for assisting with transportation. Our own Mrs Heather Mitchell's expertise as the Little Athletics Official was also greatly appreciated. Of particular note – Orto in 5/6Z won his 13 years 100m final and has been invited to compete at the Sydney East Carnival.



2023 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten in 2023. If you have (or know of a friend who has) a preschool child turning 6 next year, please ask them to come to the school to complete their enrolment forms. Parents will need to bring original copies of:

- the student's Australian birth certificate (or family passports and VISAs);
- the student's immunisation certificate (from Medicare); and
- proof that they are living in the area, e.g.: rates notice or lease agreement and a utility bill (such as council rates, water, gas or electricity).

If your pre-schooler has any special needs, please help us to set him/her up for success by completing the enrolling process now so we have time to ensure that supports are in place. It would also be helpful to bring in any reports from professionals who have been supporting your child.

Work Around the School – Please Use Caution

Our playground upgrade is underway and it has taken three weeks to update the drainage system before the synthetic multipurpose court and new asphalt can be installed.

In the meantime, we are currently using the double gates in Wandella Road to exit and enter the school and this involves walking over uneven ground.

If you are affected by balance issues or a physical impairment, please use the gates in Sylva Avenue instead. We are all responsible for our personal safety.

<u>Uniforms</u>

New Girls Uniform Options

We have had some parents express interest in having alternate options for Miranda PS girls for both summer and winter uniform.

We have asked LW Reid, our uniform supplier, to send some samples of girl's shorts, culottes and long trousers which are on display in the office foyer until the end of term. Please take the time to come and have a look at the options, if you are interested in having another choice, apart from the standard summer and winter tunics. The new options will be paired with a white blouse.

The P & C will be surveying parents later in the term as to their preferences.



Staffing

Please be aware that the school has been experiencing significant staffing shortages over the past few weeks due to sickness, resulting in specialist programs being collapsed and classes needing to be split. Mr Williams is on leave for the next three weeks and Mrs Negro-Malfitano (also known as Miss N) is teaching 5/6G in his place.

Preparing for 2023 Classes

Placing students in classes is a very complex process and a lot of factors need to be taken into consideration to ensure the best placement.

If you have information to share about your children that you would like the school to consider for 2023, please organise an interview with your child's class teacher, assistant principal, or Mrs Wilkins at the beginning of Term 3.

No promises can be made, because we need to consider all the students and also meet with Department of Education funding protocols. We are in a better position to consider your information if it is conveyed well in advance.

Some parents ask the school to consider repetition. Research has shown that repetition only proves to be effective in a small number of cases, so this is not a decision that can be rushed through at the last minute. Parents may be required to speak with the school counsellor to organise an assessment, answer surveys along with class teachers, and meet with the learning support team so that a fully informed decision can be made. If you have been thinking about repetition, please approach Mrs Wilkins or your child's assistant principal early in Term 3.

Our Kindergarten Writers



Austin and Tweety (KS) were very proud of the sentences that they have been creating in class.

OSHClub

Students must not attend school before 8:40am. If you cannot provide supervision for your children , please contact OSHClub at:

https://www.oshclub.com.au/nsw/miranda-publicschool/

If your child attends OSHClub and is absent from school, please notify OSHClub as soon as possible. This is a parent responsibility.

OSH Club employs staff according to the number of students expected. If they have not been given adequate notice, they have the right to charge parents to pay for any additional staff employed.

Preschool Talks

Mrs Shields and Mr Duffy enjoyed meeting with Jenny Hind (Director) and some of our future parents at Miranda Kindergarten last week to talk about transitioning to Kindergarten and answer questions. They have been invited to meet with the parents at Chapter 1 Karimbla Road (in View St) on Monday 5 September.



Thank You, Miranda RSL Sub-Branch.

The Miranda RSL sub-branch invited school principals and librarians to an annual book presentation and kindly donated several books to the school library about ANZAC Day as well as a \$300 voucher.

Anzac School Initiatives Competition

Congratulations to Sohma Yasuda in year 5 for designing a winning poster for the 2023 Anzac School Initiatives Competition. The competition organisers received over 64 007 entries in the colouring-in (K-2) and poster design (3-6). Many of our K-6 students entered their creative entries and we congratulate them all on their efforts. We also thank Koori Kids, Department of Veterans affairs and the local registered clubs for organising this competition.







3/4 Emerald have been inspired by the recent playground works at school to discuss what makes a playground safe and what they would like to see in our school playground. Some of our classmembers decided to make their own models to share with the class.













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In 3/4 Emerald the students were to spend \$100 to cater for an event. They had to apply their understanding of decimals to add, subtract and multiply. Students checked their work using calculators and many of them met the challenge of getting as close to \$100 as possible without breaking the budget.





K-2 & SU Excursion

On Monday, our K-2 and SU students went to Bicentennial Park for an excursion to learn all about animal habitats, our bushland and how Aboriginal People live off the land. We learnt so much and had a wonderful day! Everyone's behaviour was exceptional and the educators at Homebush were very impressed with the interesting questions our students asked. We were very lucky to see a blue tongue lizard, explore the mangroves and scavenger hunt in the bushland. It was lots of fun!



Newsletters

Our "Kookaburra Gazette" is published at the end of every **even week** and can be received by email,

Facebook *"Miranda PS (official)"*, the NSW Education Parent app (now on Apple and Android): <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/schools-digital-strategy/nsw-education-parent-app</u>



Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey <u>non</u>-consent form

(only relevant for students in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.)

Please read article about "Tell them From Me surveys" in this newsletter first.

If you <u>do not want</u> your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to the school by **12 August 2022.**

I DO NOT give consent for my child/children to participate in the *Tell Them From Me* **student feedback survey**

Name of student 1	Roll class of student 1
Name of student 2	Roll class of student 2
Name of student 3	Roll class of student 3
Name of student 4	Roll class of student 4
Name of parent/carer	
Signature of parent/carer	
Date	

MPS P&C Fathers Day Stall

- FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST
- THURSDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER
- FRIDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

There will be three stalls so all children have the opportunity to purchase something if they please.

This year MPS P&C will be hosting the Fathers Day stall All items \$5 - CASH ONLY. Volunteers wanted to help on stall days Please email mirandapublicpc@gmail.com if you may be able to volunteer.



Images are examples of items available. \$5 per item. CASH ONLY PLEASE



MPS P&C Loose Change Challenge is back for 2022!

Monday O8 August - Friday O2 September

Yes it's time to check in and under the couch, the back and under shelves and cupboards, and under the car seats for all the loose change (and notes if you find them first ©) for your class to win the Challenge!

The class that raises the most amount of money wins a class prize!

For a next level challenge, let us know the most interesting place you found the loose change!

Thank you for supporting your MPS P&C!

c/o Jessica Hicks P&C Secretary | 0422 865 300

We are proud to be working with a Shire Local Business Loftus Pies to bring you 2022 MPS P&C Pie Drive Fundraiser!

Choose from FAMILY size savoury and dessert selections, AND Gluten Free options from \$10.00

Details and order form via

https://www.cognitoforms.com/MirandaPC1/MPSPieDrive

2022 MPS P&C Pie Drive 28 July - 18 August

Pick up from MPS on Friday 26 August

Thank you for supporting your MPS P&C!











MIRANDA PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN PRICE LIST



LUNCH ORDER BAGS SHOULD CLEARLY STATE <u>CHILDS NAME, CLASS & ORDER</u> PLEASE PROVIDE CORRECT MONEY WHERE POSSIBLE <u>ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER 9.10AM</u>

SANDWICHES (white or wholemeal)

HOT FOOD

Twisted Frozen Yoghurt

\$2.80

Vegemite Cheese Egg & Lettuce Cheese & Tomato Ham / Chicken Ham & Cheese Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo Salad Toasted	Add	\$2.50 \$2.50 \$4.00 \$3.00 \$3.50 \$4.00 \$4.50 \$4.00 .20c	Chicken Burger Cheeseburger Hot dog + Tomato sauce Traveller Pie Patties Sausage Roll 5 Chicken Nuggets 5 Chicken Sticks Spring Roll Chicken Yummy Drummy Macaroni & Cheese Spaghetti or Lasagne	\$5.50 \$5.50 \$3.00 \$3.70 \$3.80 \$3.80 \$3.80 \$1.00 \$1.50 \$4.80 \$4.80
Garden Caesar Salad Chicken Caesar Salad SUSHI (available only		\$5.00 \$5.00	PIZZA Cheese Pizza Ham & Pineapple Pizza BBQ Chicken Pizza	\$4.80 \$4.80 \$4.80
<u>on Thursday)</u> Tuna Teriyaki Chicken		\$3.80 \$3.80	Garlic Bread Tomato Sauce	\$1.20 .30c
SNACKS			TOASTED WRAPS	
Popcorn		\$1.00	Cheese Ham or Chicken & Cheese	\$4.80 \$5.50
Jelly Cup Jelly & Custard Custard Cup		\$1.00 \$1.20	Chicken, Cheese & Avocado	\$6.00
Pretzels Watermelon Cup		\$1.20 \$1.20 \$1.20	DRINKS	
Fruit Salad Red Rock Chips Grain Waves		\$4.00 \$1.80 \$1.80	Water Juice Popper 300ml Oak Flavoured Milk Up & Go Choc or Vanilla	\$2.50 \$2.50 \$2.50 \$2.80