

MOWBRAY NEWS

Term 4 Week 4
6 November 2019

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Performing Arts Night (PAN)

This Friday we have our Performing Arts Night (PAN) where all our school performing arts groups perform. It is a huge night for all our groups and a wonderful opportunity for our parent/carer community to see all our students perform. The night starts at 6:30 pm and should be fun for all those involved.

Upcoming Swim School

Swim school for all our K-2 students starts next week, with 3-6 the week after. Swim school is graded so all students should receive lessons at their appropriate level of skill. The last day is a 'water safety' day, whereby the students learn survival techniques to prepare themselves for falling in the water when unprepared. Although not everyone will have the skill to become an Olympic athlete, swimming/water activities are part of the Australian way of life and it is an essential skill for everyone.

Kindergarten Orientations

Over the last two weeks we have had our 2020 Kindergarten children come to visit our wonderful school. It is hard to believe we are in the last term of 2019 already! If you know of someone who has a Kindergarten child who is in area for Mowbray and has not yet enrolled can you please encourage them to do so ASAP so their child can attend the final orientation.

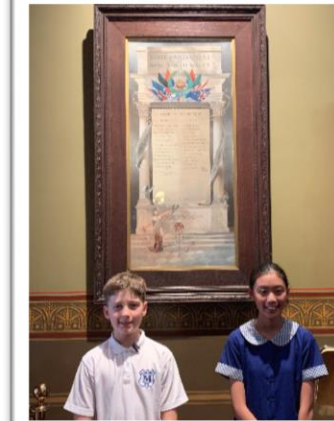
School Bus Reminder

We are always wanting to ensure our students have a safe way to go home from school every day. If your child catches the bus home and uses a child's Opal Card (green) that you pay for, please make sure your child is catching the public transport buses. Our school bus (Route 683) is for students with a pale blue Opal Card and has limited seating for extra passengers. This school bus is for students only. Parents who wish to catch the bus home with their child need to catch a public transport bus.

Visiting our local MP

On Wednesday two of our student leaders, Archie and Ashlee were invited to visit NSW Parliament House to meet with our local MP Gladys Berejiklian at a local school leader's morning tea.

I was invited to accompany the children, who were able to tour NSW Parliament House and meet up with other local school leaders who demonstrated outstanding leadership and citizenship.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Presentation Day Time Reminder

Tuesday 10 December – Year 1 & 2, 9:30am – 11am

Tuesday 10 December – Kindergarten, 2pm – 3pm

Wednesday 11 December – Stage 2, 9:30am – 11am

Wednesday 11 December – Stage 3, 11:45am – 12:45pm

A few reminders from last week's newsletter...

2019 Classing

At the end of every year, teachers put many hours into forming classes for the next year. Teachers take into account how children work, who children work best with and friendship factors. As a school community we need to remember that children are in class for the best possible education, and classroom teachers have a deep understanding of class dynamics and how the students in their classes work best.

If you are concerned that your child has **significant special needs** that the classroom teacher is unaware of, or there are extenuating circumstances that need to be taken into account in 2020 classing, you can make an appointment to meet with me to explain your child's need.

If this is the case, can you please contact the office to make an appointment with me between 4 November and 15 November. After this time requests for 2020 will be closed.

Returning late or not returning in 2020?

If your family will be taking extended holidays over the December/January break and your child will be returning later than January 29 2020, can you please fill in the form attached to this newsletter with your proposed date of return. It is important that we have documentation to prove that you are returning for official records. If you are not returning can you please also fill in this form so we have a better chance of correctly forming 2020 classes.

Attention Year 5 Parents – Application for Selective High School for 2021.

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, using specialised teaching methods and materials at the appropriate level.

If your child is in Year 5 and you would like to apply for a Selective High School in 2021, please return the *intention to apply* advice to the school (this form has been sent home in hard copy and is available in this newsletter). You will also need to apply online at

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

BEFORE 11 November 2019.

CAROLINE ALFORD
PRINCIPAL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

TERM 4 – DATES TO REMEMBER

WEEK 4

Wednesday 6 November	Kindergarten 2020 – Orientation 2 9.30-11am
Thursday 7 November	SRC Crazy Hair Day – please bring a gold coin for breast cancer
Friday 8 November	Band 'try-outs' in hall 9.10-11am Performing Arts Night (PAN) - 6.30-9pm
Saturday 9 November & Sunday 10 November	Family Portraits (P&C Event)

WEEK 5

Monday 11 November	Swim School – K-2 Remembrance Day Assembly 10.50-11.10am
Tuesday 12 November	Swim School – K-2 K-2 Assembly – Meet the Strings – 2.30pm
Wednesday 13 November	Swim School – K-2 Kindergarten 2020 – Orientation 3 9.30-11am Surf Ed for Years 3 & 4
Thursday 14 November	Swim School – K-2 School Tour – 9.30-10am Gen Ready – Year 6
Friday 15 November	Swim School – K-2

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who will receive their Awards at the following Assemblies:

K-2 Assembly at 2.30pm on Tuesday, 12 November (Week 5):

Gold Awards

KT	Ashton H, Amelie P, Maiwenn R, Owen W, Sophie C, Joshua C, Mia C, Hannah L, Samuel N, Noah D, Zoe B, Elisha A
KF	Oliver D, Hazel D, Armaan UK, Alexander S, Nava A, Emily F, Maral HY, Abdullah D, Koichi M
KN	Penny H, Tohma M, Amy H, Grace S, Caila N, Noah C, Itay FP, Alexis H, Nyushka R
KS	Jacqueline B, Ben A, Liam B, Keziah T
KC	Cayden T, William A, Alisa De C, Benjamin G, Audrey SR, Naba A, Rex Y
KL	Audrey V
1N	Sophie R
1C	Coco K, Lena PS, Senna M, Sebastian GL, Bridget M
1M	Ashmi M, Hugo H, David K
1BH	Georgia B, Burte T
1HP	Eoghan O
1/2L	Helena K, Hannah N, George M
2F	Kyla C, Daniel K
2B	Ofer FP, Ara K
2S	Saisha S, Atticus O

WEEK 6

Monday 18 November	Swim School – 3-6
Tuesday 19 November	Swim School – 3-6 3-6 Assembly – 2.30pm – Dance & Choir performance
Wednesday 20 November	Swim School – 3-6 String Ensemble Recital – 4-7pm
Thursday 21 November	Swim School – 3-6 Gen Ready – Year 6 Band Showcase Evening – 5-7pm
Friday 22 November	Swim School – 3-6

Years 3-6 Assembly at 2.30pm on Tuesday, 19 November (Week 6):**Gold Awards**

3E	Alisha S, Claire T, Maisie C, Tia A, Kooga A, Hriday S
3H	Zavier V, Ayana T
3B	Jessica W
5T	Jake D
5V	Sydney Rose Y
6WV	Ella Mc
6K	Jessica D

OFFICE NEWS

KINDERGARTEN 2020: If there are any siblings who have not enrolled for Kindergarten next year, please could you complete an Enrolment form and bring to the office with all the supporting documentation. Enrolment forms are available from the school office or on the school website <https://mowbray-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>

OFFICE HOURS: The office is open from 8.30am to 3.30pm and if you need to contact the school please do so during those hours. When contacting the office about your child by email please ensure that you state your **child's name and class** so the matter can be dealt with quickly and forwarded to the correct person, if necessary.

SUE LEECE
ADMIN MANAGER

SCHOOL NEWS

Festival of Children's Music 2019

On Tuesday the 29th October our Stage 2 Choir sang in the Festival of Children's Music. We went to 3 full-day practices through the year in preparation for the festival! We learnt and performed more than 10 songs for it. Our favourite songs to perform were 'Wild Mountain Thyme' (a traditional Scottish folk song), 'Lullaby of Broadway' (from the musical 42nd Street) and 'Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines in their Flying Machines'. Our conductors, Mrs Herbert and Miss Strahle, were really fun and energetic and added some moves to our songs. We loved warm ups and singing with our accompanist Miss Rachel. We sounded amazing when we sung on stage with the combined choirs!

We enjoyed watching all the other dancing and musical items, including the Mowbray Boys Performance Ensemble. It was fun singing in front of such a large audience. We waved to Mrs Ryan and Ms Alford in the audience!

Katie M, Sophie R, Tia A, Sophie C, Tanya G and Sara R



SCHOOL NEWS

NSW PSSA Girls Cricket State Championships

Last week I was fortunate to represent Sydney North at the Girls Cricket State Championships in Campbelltown. My team was made up of 12 players from the Northern Beaches, North Shore, Ryde and Central Coast. There were 14 teams from all over the state that were split into two pools. We played six 25 over games in our pool over 4 days and were undefeated leading into the grand final. We came up against tough competition in MacKillop (Catholic Schools from southern half of NSW) and finished Runners Up in the State!

My best bowling figures were 2 wickets for 3 runs off 2 overs (I was on a hat trick). In the field I took 2 catches and was involved in a couple of run outs. It was the first time I have played on a full length turf wicket. I am looking forward to trying out again next year when the carnival will held in Barooga on the Murray River. I really enjoyed it, learned lots and made new friends.

Eliza M – 5/6M

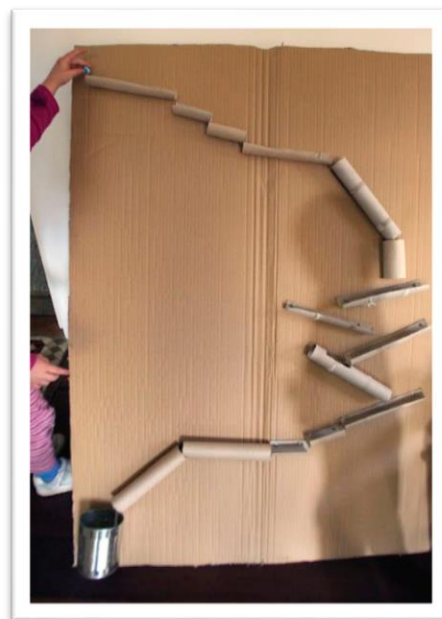


Forces in Science – Years 3 & 4

In Science, Stage 2 students are learning about contact and non-contact forces. To explore this, we will be making our own DIY marble mazes.

If you have any large cardboard boxes/sheets of cardboard for the back of our mazes or cardboard tubes, plastic bottles (washed) and other smaller cardboard boxes, could you please pop them in the box in the front office before Friday 15 November. Thank you!

Misty Havron and Bell Maher
(Stage 2 Science teachers)



SCHOOL NEWS

Our trip to Taronga Zoo (Year 3)

Dry desert discussion

As the door opened to the desert room I walked slowly to try and observe all the animals I could see. I sat down nice and softly so the animals would not be able to hear me. When I was seated and the rest of my class was our guide stood in front of us and started to talk about the animals we were looking at. First he introduced us to the visible animal in the room which were the birds. The species of the birds were the budgerigars and finches. Some of them were a nice emerald green.

Jess W (3B)



At the zoo we went into the desert classroom inside.

There was a big area to sit down, there were finches and budgies flying around us. I got to touch a shingle back lizard, it felt hard. I saw the keeper feed the bilbies little scraps of food.

Isla S (3B)

At the seal show we wanted to sit in the Splash Zone© It was great how after all that dilly dally we found a spot in the splash zone, first row! It was like someone RESERVED seats for us. We didn't get too wet until the end.

At the end the seals did all sorts of backflips and front flips, making a big tidal wave drenching us all in water (also known as H2O). After all it was a hot day!

Dyamond X (3E)

The Stage 2 excursion to Taronga Zoo was great and I'll tell you why... The first animal we saw were the chimpanzees, the biggest one was hanging on the highest rope and was doing the classic monkey itch. The other chimpanzees were lounging around eating.

Then we saw two Galapagos turtles, which weighed over 100 pounds. Their legs were so short, I did not see them move once! We were going to see the red pandas when we saw Mr Horsley's group they were going to the red pandas too. We had a race, first to the red pandas. Our group won because Mr Horsley's group went the top way. Then Mr Horsley joked "I can see some blue pandas down there" meaning us in our blue uniforms!

After that we headed to the reptile park I saw a gigantic green boa and a constricted boa, they were awesome! I also saw a massive Komodo dragon it was being fed, it ate a lot!

The zoo excursion was amazing!!

Sophie B (3H)

SCHOOL NEWS

Our trip to Taronga Zoo (Year 3)



Do you want to learn a bit about the gigantic elephants at Taronga zoo? Well here is the information you have been looking for. We were so lucky we got to go on the tower to see the elephants better. The elephants were strolling around their area and one almost went in the water. We got to see an elephant's big, brown tooth. It was a great experience to see the elephants. I had a really fun time.

Ellie (3B)

Woo-Hoo, let's go! I am about to enter the amazing Taronga Zoo! We wanted to go and see the Capybaras but we couldn't find them. If you're wondering what a Capybara looks like, they look like a mix between a guinea pig, a horse, and a hippo. It is furry, and, I guess you could say it is cute.

As you may know, the seal show is at eleven o'clock. I went to the seal show. The seals did lots of tricks. It was amazing to watch all the tricks they did and how well they have been trained.

Isla B (3B)





MOWBRAY
PUBLIC SCHOOL

Leaving the school in 2019 or Arriving late in 2020?

Dear Parents/carers,

The first day of school for Year 1 – 6 students next year will be **Wednesday 29 January, 2020**. Kindergarten students will be completing their Best Start interviews in the first week and officially start on **Monday 3 February, 2020**.

It is vital, for class and staff organisation purposes, that we know if your child/children will not be returning to Mowbray PS or be returning later than 29 January 2020. Some families take extended holidays in January/February and we need to know your return date so your child's enrolment can be counted.

This note does not apply to any 2019 Year 6 students.

Please return this note to the office as soon as possible

Not returning in 2020

Name	Class	Going To

Signed _____ (parent/carer) Date: _____

Returning late in 2020

Name	2019 class	Expected return date

Reason for late return _____

Signed _____ (parent/carer) Date: _____

Intention to apply for Year 7 Selective High School Placement in 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Selective High Schools cater for academically gifted and talented students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for Selective High School placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Selective High school Placement Test and school assessments. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 12 March 2020**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 Selective High School entry in 2021, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from **Tuesday 8 October 2019** at

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

The application website opens on **Tuesday 8 October 2019** and closes on **Monday 11 November 2019**. You must apply by the due date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after **8 October 2019**.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Remember: *The tear-off strip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.*

Yours sincerely,

Principal

Caroline Alford

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below by Friday 1 November.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Intention to apply for Year 7 Selective High School placement class in 2021

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for opportunity class placement in 2021. Yes ☐ No ☐

I understand that I need to register and then apply through the department's website. Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, either:

I have internet access and will be applying online ☐

OR

I do not have internet access and will use the public library to complete the application

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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SCHOOL NEWS

Performing Arts Night (PAN) 2019 *Friday 8th November*

PAN is Mowbray's performing arts showcase, where we celebrate our performing arts groups in one fantastic evening. Our dancers, singers, and musicians will display their talent on Friday 8th November at 6.30pm in our school hall. The concert will run for approx. 2 hours including an intermission.

Performers will need to arrive early and meet in the assigned classroom for their item. Most performers will need to be at school by 6:10pm. The organising teacher for each group will inform students of the exact location and time depending on their individual requirements.

Miss Kay (OK) and Miss Munro (IM)

We look forward to seeing you there!





Pop-up SHOP

LAST POP-UPS FOR 2019

Mowbray P&C
2ND HAND UNIFORMS

Friday 8 November 2019
at PAN (3:30-5:30pm)
AND
Wednesday 13 November 2019 at
Kindy Orientation No 3 (small sizes only)

*Donate any good, clean uniforms you no longer need, at the Office, for the P&C Pop-up Shop.
It's a useful service for our families plus all sale proceeds will benefit Mowbray.*

Sales are final. Items are in 'as is' condition. No facilities to try items on.

JOIN MOWBRAY STRINGS IN 2020



Week 5 (Tuesday 12 November)

"Meet the Strings" at Assembly and register new students
<https://portal.msmusic.com.au/mowbraypsstrings>

Week 6 (Tuesday 19 November)

"Parent Information Night" 7pm in the Music Room (behind Hall)

Week 7 - Measure for instruments, during school hours

www.mowbraypandc.org.au/strings

Register your interest to join Strings from Week 5 (Tuesday 12 November)

<https://portal.msmusic.com.au/mowbraypsstrings>



MOWBRAY PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PRESENTS

Carols 2019

CAROLS CHOIRS, STRINGS & BAND

All students are invited to participate in the Children's Choirs. Rehearsals will run over 3 sessions before school: Monday Weeks 6 and 7 and Friday Week 8. Understanding that these times may not suit everyone, the words and music will be made available to anyone who cannot make the rehearsals (use sign up to register). Register your child/ren into the choir at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044BA9AA2CA57-carols> Band and Strings students may also choose to join the choir when not performing.

KIDS ACTIVITIES

FREE KIDS DISCO in the school hall

4.00PM - 4.30PM: **KINDY - YR2 DISCO** *under 5yrs must be accompanied by an adult

4.30PM - 5.00PM: **ZUMBA KIDS with Maria Lopez** all ages*

5.00PM - 5.30PM: **YR3 - YR6 DISCO**

ACTIVITIES from 3.30pm include **Face Painting, Henna Hands, Christmas Craft** and **Sports Equipment**

FOOD AND DRINKS

International Food - The very popular parent run stalls will be selling their delicious goodies from 3.30pm. If you are interested in being a stall holder, please contact events@mowbraypandc.org.au.

BBQ - A limited number of sausages will be sold on the day, we recommend you pre-order through flexischools.com.au

COUPONS - to minimise cash handling, all stalls, paid activities, drinks and snacks will be paid using coupons which will be available for purchase on the day for \$1 each. EFTPOS facilities will be available (at a fee)

*As always you are welcome to **BYO picnic rug, chairs, food and drinks.***

SATURDAY 7 DEC • FROM 3.30PM
MOWBRAY PUBLIC SCHOOL
635 MOWBRAY RD, LANE COVE NORTH

Go to www.facebook.com/MPSFFPage for updates



Expressions of interest for family-run

INTERNATIONAL FOOD STALLS AT Carols 2019

SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER

email.events@mowbraypandc.org.au





MOWBRAY P&C

**MOWBRAY COMMUNITY
BUSINESS REGISTER**

www.mowbraypandc.org.au/mcbr



Are you a Mowbray parent/carer?
Do you have a business selling a product or service?
Want to let other families at Mowbray know about it?

LIST your business! USE the register for free!
Lots of deals, just for us.





DON'T MISS OUT!



JOIN OUR P&C FACEBOOK GROUP

Mowbray Public School Families and Friends

News, people, chat, reminders, photos, special offers, buy/sell/trade and much more ...

Parents/carers/school staff will be asked to provide their name, email address and child's name and class, to join this closed-access Facebook Group.

Your details will be confirmed with the school.

www.facebook.com/groups/MPSFF

DANCE FITNESS CLASSES AT LANE COVE!! ALL WELCOME!!



Low impact class

Perfect for seniors and beginners!!

Saturdays 11:45AM

Lane Cove Public School Hall



High intensity Dance Fitness classes

Fun and effective workout!



ZUMBA

Mondays 7:30pm

Mowbray Public School Hall

Wednesdays 7:30pm

Lane Cove Public School Hall

For more Information and fees **call or text Maria on 0499 800 554**

Or send an email to marialopezzumba@gmail.com

Details can also be found on the **facebook page** by typing **@zumbawithmarialopezsydney**

Raising Your Child in a Digital World

WITH
Dr Kristy
GOODWIN

Dr Kristy Goodwin translates the latest research about how technology is shaping childhood into essential information for confused and concerned parents. Dr Kristy helps parents make informed decisions about how to best manage screen time at home... and no she won't suggest that you ban the iPad, or unplug the TV!

Parents will understand the latest risks to kids' online safety (including cyber-safety threats, pornography exposure, introduction of phones



and social media), as well as the health and learning implications of young kids (4-12 years) growing up in a world of screens. Dr Kristy will share her simple formula to calculate healthy screen time limits and will arm parents with a host of strategies. She will explain how technology is impacting kids' learning, sleep, social, language, play, physical skills and their vision, hearing and posture and will arm parents with practical strategies.

SEMINAR DETAILS

DATE: Tuesday 12 November

TIME: Registration: 6.30pm Seminar: 7pm

LOCATION: Willoughby City Council, Council Chambers, Level 6, 31 Victor St, Chatswood

TICKETS: \$5

CONTACT: childserv@willoughby.nsw.gov.au

REGISTER NOW: at [EVENTBRITE](https://www.eventbrite.com) or www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au



Dr Kristy Goodwin is a leading digital parenting educator, researcher, author and former teacher (and mum who deals with her kids' techno-tantrums). She has spoken at and consulted with schools throughout Australia and Asia. She's regularly called on by the media for her expert opinion.

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