



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term Three Week 6

Tuesday 27th August 2019

Important Dates & Notes

PSSA This Friday

Please visit our website for locations

School Banking This Monday

Assembly Friday
Yes
3-6 Assembly

Book Swap and Mufti
Wed 28th August

Fathers Day Stall
Wed 28th August

Walkathon Assembly
Fri 6th Sept

School Photos
11th and 13th
September

Year 5 Overnight Excursion
Mon 16th Sept-
Wed 18th Sept

Year 6 Overnight Excursion
Wed 23rd Oct-
Fri 25th Oct

Term Dates 2019

Term 2
30/04/19—05/07/19

Term 3
23/07/19—27/09/19

Term 4
14/10/19—18/12/19

Last day for students
Wednesday
18th December 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Please remember we have two special events taking place at school tomorrow, Book Swap and Mufti Day, and our Father's Day stall.

BOOK WEEK – BOOK SWAP - TOMORROW

To celebrate Book Week, tomorrow **Wednesday 28th August** Kent Road PS students are encouraged to bring a book to school that they no longer want and to swap it with a book brought in by another student.

Participation in our book swap is voluntary. Books must be in good condition and appropriate reading for Kindergarten – Year Six students.

It will also be a gold coin mufti day. The money collected will be donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Children who bring a gold coin can dress in casual clothes.

At 2.30pm all students will come together for 30 minutes of reading together in the playground, weather permitting.

A note explaining our Book Swap has been sent home with this newsletter and can be found on our website.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

Tomorrow **Wednesday, 28th August**, students are invited to bring \$5 to buy a Father's Day present for their dad, grand-dad, uncle or significant male in their lives.

STAFF NEWS

I would like to congratulate Miss Hahn on her appointment to a permanent teaching position at Eastwood Public School. She will take up her new position on Monday.

I thank Miss Hahn for the wonderful support she has provided to students requiring additional English support throughout 2019. She also volunteered to co-ordinate our school's very successful Walkathon fundraiser this year. Miss Hahn has had a close relationship with Kent Road for a number of years as she completed one of her first university practicums at Kent Road with Miss Stokes a few years ago. I am sure you will join me in thanking Miss Hahn for her commitment to our students this year, and wish her all the best for her future teaching career.

Miss Emily Thomas will provide ESL support in place of Miss Hahn.

K - 2 ASSEMBLY

Students from class 1N presented the K-2 assembly last Friday. Hannah, Rebecca, Bradley, Richard and Jasmine did an outstanding job presenting the assembly with confidence and skill.

Congratulations to the students who received their gold medals.

Izna	1C	Emily	2H
Terrence	1C	Chloe	2H
Sarah	2H	Jayden	2R

Congratulations also to the following Kindergarten - Year 2 students who were awarded a class merit award at last Friday's assembly

KC	Cary	For always being an engaged learner during literacy groups
KH	Lucas	For always being an engaged learner
KJ	Eason	Actively participating and bringing insightful ideas to our Science lessons
KK	Derek	Confidently applying his understanding of Mathematical concepts in all areas
KL	Charli	Always being a kind and caring friend
KS	Bhavansh	For being an engaged learner in class discussions
1B	James	Writing a convincing letter about visiting the Northern Territory
1C	Cali	Fantastic improvement in Reading and Writing
1G	Serena	For a big improvement in writing sentences
1L	Elsa	Writing rhyming sentences about the Walkathon and the weather
1N	Senuli	For being an engaged learner in literacy activities
1S	Adelene	Improvement in reading and having a positive attitude towards school
2C	Chloe	For enthusiastically sharing ideas during class discussions
2H	Leah	Creating a fantastic loop in Scope It
2R	Pranav	Improved presentation of his work in all areas
2S	Jasmine	For presenting a fantastic speech in front of her peers
2W	Christian	Excellent responses in Reading

K-6

WALKATHON

Our current total has reached over \$16,600!. Thank you everyone for your generous donations.

The class with the highest total will win a free excursion. At the moment class 2C is in the lead.

The Walkathon prizes will be presented at the assembly on Friday 6th September.

KINDERGARTEN 2020

Our final Kindergarten 2020 school tour will take place on Monday 9th September.

Applications for Kindergarten 2020 are now due. Enrolment forms are available at the front office, or from our website.

Denise Minifie

Principal

Zone Athletics Carnival

Last Tuesday, a number of 2-6 students represented Kent Road at the Zone Athletics Carnival at Sydney Olympic Park Athletic Centre. The sun was shining and there were smiles on faces ready to race. Kent Road was represented in every track and field event.



A special congratulations to Julian for achieving the overall 11 years boys champion and heading to the Sydney North Area Carnival for high jump, discus and long jump. Well done to Olivia who will also be heading to the area carnival for 100m and 200m.



Congratulations to these students for making it to the finals. Mia, Olivia, Ella and Jessica for junior girls relay, Jake for 800m, Brooklyn for 100m, Brenna for long jump, Nikkita for 800m and Viktor for 100m.



A big congratulations to all of the students for representing Kent Road in a respectful and confident manner.

We wish Julian and Olivia all the best for the Sydney North Area Carnival.



BAND PROGRAM



Are you thinking about joining the band program?

We will soon be seeking interest from students in Years 2-5

Q. How does it work?

To decide on which instrument you will play, we will conduct blow tests at the end of Term 3 to determine which instrument will suit you best. We also take into account your instrument preferences. Then students are given the opportunity to try an instrument in Term 4 of 2019 (through weekly instrumental lessons) before deciding if they'd like to join the Junior Band in 2020. Weekly instrumental tuition is compulsory for all band students.

Q. Where/when do I have my weekly instrumental lessons?

Lessons occur before or after school in classrooms.

Q. Do I need prior musical experience?

No, anyone can join the band, regardless of if you already play an instrument or not.

Q. How much does it cost?

Weekly GROUP lessons (3 students per group) cost \$20 per student for 30 mins. Weekly individual lessons usually cost around \$30-35 per student for 30 mins. If you join the band in 2020, further band fees will apply.

Q. What instruments can I choose from?

Flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone horn, keyboard/ glockenspiel, bass guitar, percussion (drum kit, djembe and extra percussion).

Q. Where can I hire an instrument?

You will be able to hire an instrument from the school. If you wish to buy an instrument, we recommend In Tune Music shop, Turramurra Music shop or Mall music Macquarie.

Q. What do I need to commit to?

Band students need to be committed to weekly lessons, home practice, taking care of their instrument and being punctual to band rehearsals.

Q. Why join the band?

Playing in a band can contribute to a student's development of team spirit, self-esteem, social interaction, self-discipline and responsibility. Plus, it's a lot of fun!

Q. What do I need to do now?

Keep a look-out for a note soon regarding expressions of interest.

Kindergarten is really enjoying our 'Paddock to Plate' unit in Science this term. Our last lesson was a STEM task. The driving question for the task was, how can we keep the animals at Old Macdonald's farm happy and healthy?

Students were put in mixed groups of 3. As a group they brainstormed together to work out, what animal they had on their farm, the size of the farm, the layout of the farm and how they were going to build it.



Students were provided with all different kinds of building blocks and farm animals. All of the groups worked really well as a team and came up with some very creative ideas!



Dear Parents,

From 17-23 August 2019 we celebrate CBCA Book Week.

This year to celebrate Book Week, students will be participating in a book swap and Mufti day on Wednesday 28th August.

Each family is encouraged to sort through the bookshelves at home to find books that are ready for new homes. We are looking for books that:

- are appropriate for K- 6 readers
- in good condition

For every book a student brings in to the classroom, a book token will be given. The token can be redeemed for a different book at the Book Swap.

During the book swap we are also raising money for **The Indigenous Reading Project** by asking students to donate a gold coin for wearing Mufti on Wednesday 28th August.

Any books not "adopted" will go to teachers for their classroom libraries.

Book Swap is a great way for students to get a new book and encourage reading of different titles.

Students can bring their books into the classroom during week 5, 19th August to 23rd August.

Mrs Gwynne



What is Active Homework?

Active Homework is similar to other homework. Active homework is an optional piece of homework that can be completed at home. It requires elements of physical activity.

Each week K-2 students and 3-6 students will be given a piece of Active Homework.

Active Homework Activity Week 6

K-2

Floor Sits

- Can you go from sitting on the ground to standing upright, without holding onto anything? If so, how many can you do?



3-6

Circle Arm Walk

- Starting in a press up position, arms shoulder width apart. Can you walk your hands around in a circle until you reach your starting point again?



SCHOOL PHOTOS 11th and 13th September

School photos (individual sibling and class groups will be taken on Wednesday 11th September and sport team photos on Friday 13th September . Students will be advised if it is winter or summer uniform closer to the date. Sports uniform will be worn on the Friday.

Payment must be made before Wednesday 11th September. **Online payments are paid directly to The School Photographer website and not to the school's online payment website.**

Visit The School Photographer website www.theschoolphotographer.com.au and follow the prompts.

Please enclose correct money as NO CHANGE will be given

Please write your receipt number in the space provided.

If you would like to arrange an sibling photo, please see the office for an envelope.

Key Safety on Wheels

At school, your child will learn about road safety as part of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. Help them learn the safety on wheels messages by reinforcing them whenever you are out and about.

Students in Early Stage 1 to Stage 2

- Always wear a helmet when you ride or skate
- Ride your bike away from the road

Students in Stage 3

- Always wear a helmet when you ride or skate
- Ride your bike away from busy roads



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