

KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term Three Week 7

Tuesday 3rd September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Dates & Notes

Important

PSSA This Friday Please visit our website for locations

Assembly Friday Yes

<u>Walkathon</u> <u>Assembly</u> Fri 6th Sept

School Photos 11th and 13th September

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

<u>Year 6 Overnight</u> <u>Excursion</u> Wed 23rd Oct-Fri 25th Oct

Term Dates 2019 <u>Term 2</u> 30/04/19—05/07/19

<u>Term 3</u> 23/07/19—27/09/19

<u>Term 4</u> 14/10/19—18/12/19

Last day for students Wednesday 18th December 2019

KINDERGARTEN 2020 SCHOOL TOUR – 9th SEPTEMBER

Our final Kindergarten 2020 school tour will take place next Monday 9th September starting at 9am in the assembly hall.

Applications for Kindergarten 2020 are now due. Enrolment forms are available at the front office, or from our website. Families who have submitted an enrolment application will soon receive an invitation to Kindergarten 2020 orientation.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Next week school photographs will be taken on Wednesday 11th and Friday 13th September.

On Wednesday 11th individual and class photographs will be taken. Students are asked to wear winter uniform as described below.

Girls: winter tunic with a white short sleeve or long sleeve polo shirt, green socks or tights; or green culottes or long pants with a white short sleeve or long sleeve polo shirt, green socks or tights.

Boys: green shorts or long pants with a white short sleeve or long sleeve polo shirt, and green socks.

On Friday 13th sports groups and sibling photographs will be taken.

All students are asked to wear sports uniform.

K - 2 ASSEMBLY – FRIDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

This Friday, class 1S will present the K-6 assembly at 9.10am.

The Intermediate Band will play and Walkathon prizes will be presented.

THANK YOU SASS TEAM (School Administrative and Support Staff)

On behalf of the school community I would like to thank our administrative staff, general assistant and school learning support officers for the tireless work they do each day for our students, parents and teachers. Happy SASS Week to all members of our SASS team!



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BOOK WEEK – BOOK SWAP

Thank you parents for the overwhelming support for our book swap event last week. What a fabulous afternoon to enjoy a new book in the lovely winter sunshine!

We raised \$863.00 for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, which means Aboriginal students will soon be enjoying some great new books.



















STAFF NEWS Congratulations to Mrs Higgerson and her husband on the recent birth of their baby son, Lucas.

K-6 WALKATHON

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's walkathon fundraiser. The final tally will be announced on Friday morning, along with the prize winners.

With the money raised I have ordered 30 additional i-Pads for students to use and materials for new vegetable garden beds.

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FATHER'S DAY STALL

Thank you to Kris and the fundraising team for the very successful Father's Day stall held last week. There were lots and lots of very happy shoppers who enjoyed choosing a gift for their dad, uncles and grandfathers.

I hope all dads enjoyed a very happy day on Sunday.

TECHNOLOGY USE - WHAT IS RECOMMENDED FOR YOUR CHILD

The Office of e-Safety has a range of very helpful information and recommendations for parents regarding the safe use of technology for children. When devices are used appropriately they can be a great source of entertainment, information and a wonderful means of keeping in touch with family and friends.

When technology is used inappropriately it can have catastrophic results. This is not what I want for Kent Road students.

This link will take parents to a range of very helpful information: www.esafety.gov.au/parents

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Principal

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 have been advised it is winter uniform. 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.



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.

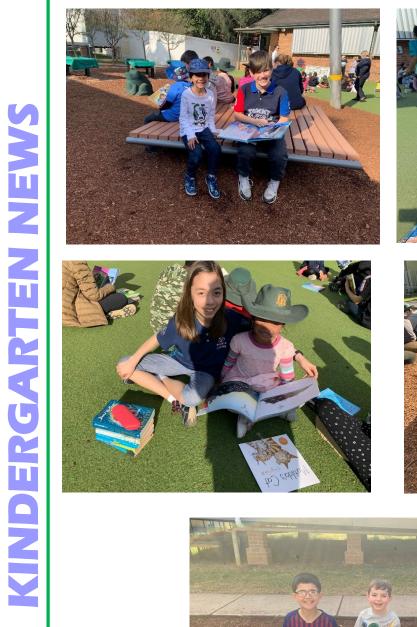
Q. Why join the band?

Playing in a band can contribute to a student's development of team spirit, selfesteem, 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 love spending time with their buddies. This week we read our new books from the book swap. It was lots of fun.







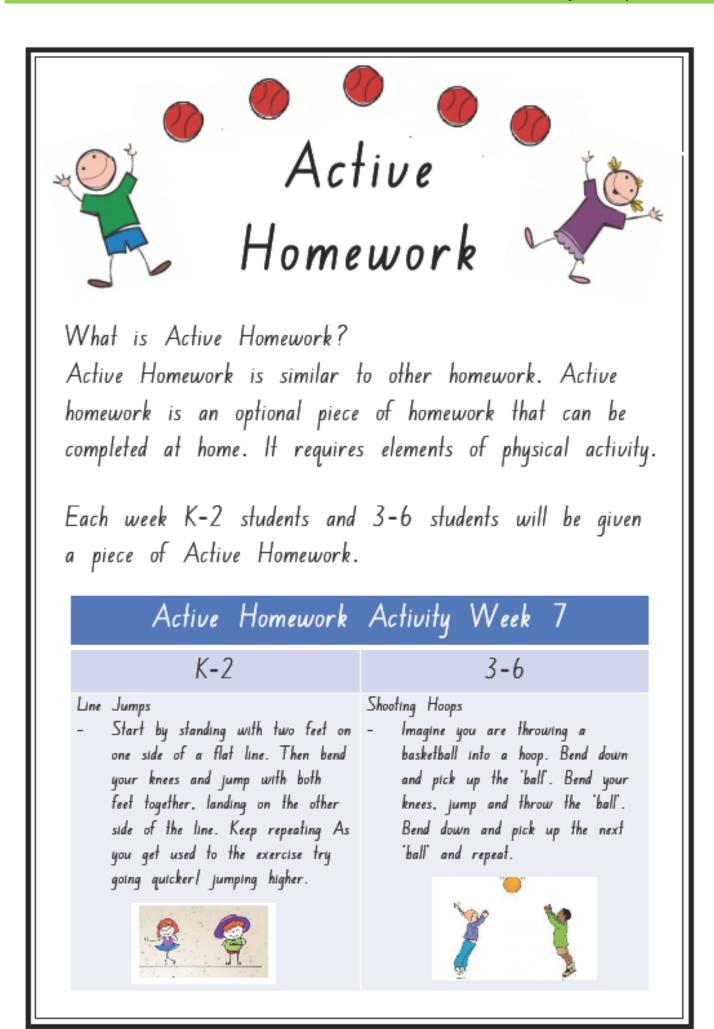


Last week Year One learnt about day and night in our Science unit. We learnt how the sun does not move even though it might feel like it! This is because the earth is actually rotating on its axis. We learnt that the sun rises in the east and sets in the west. When we are facing the sun it is daytime but when we are facing away from the sun it is night. It was so fun to create an interactive craft display to demonstrate this.









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Little Athletics Centre

MARSFIELD SEPT-MARCH SATURDAY MORNINGS

Did your child enjoy their school cross country? Did they rave about their school carnival?

Ryde Athletics kids get that feeling every weekend!

Register online http://ryde-athletics.org.au/

Our Centre has been part of the Ryde community for more than 60 years. Our goal is to help our members achieve their personal best and to promote fun, family and fitness.

Join us on Facebook at Ryde Little Athletics