

# Hurstville Grove Infants School

## Newsletter

Term 4, 2017

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### Important Dates @ Hurstville Grove Infants School

Term/ Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Holidays					
Week 1	9 Students & staff return	10	11 Dance Troupe	12	13 Gymnastics
Week 2	16	17 Zoo Excursion	18 Dance Troupe	19	20 Gymnastics
Week 3	23	24 Staff Professional Learning in L3	25 Dance Troupe PPA Conference Lunch Club	26 PPA Conference	27 Gymnastics Kindy Transition Y2 Transition PPA Conference
Week 4	30	31 NRL Sports Carnival	1 November Dance Troupe P&C Meeting	2	3 Gymnastics Kindy Transition Y2 Transition
Week 5	6 HG Kindy Transition Visit	7	8 Dance Troupe Kids & Co Transition Visit	9	10 Gymnastics Kindy Transition Y2 Transition School Disco
Week 6	13	14 Fire Fighters Visit	15 Dance Troupe	16	17 Gymnastics Kids & Co Transition Visit
Week 7	20	21	22 Dance Troupe	23	24 Gymnastics
Week 8	27	28	29 Dance Troupe	30	1 December Gymnastics
Week 9	4	5 Presentation Day	6 'Thank you' M/Tea P&C AGM	7	8 Gymnastics
Week 10	11	12	13	14	15 Students Last Day Term 4
Week 11	18 Staff Development Day	19 Staff Development Day	20 Holidays	21 Holidays	22 Holidays

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# Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4! Term 4 has kicked off to a brilliant start with many exciting things to come. We are all looking forward to learning and growing together this term.

Miss McKinnon will be away from her office and will be returning to school Monday October 23<sup>rd</sup>. While she is on leave Miss Erica Sanders will be the Relieving Principal. I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and if there are any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or come to the office to say a friendly hello. I am very excited and honoured to have this opportunity to work with our amazing school community and incredible professional teaching staff who are committed to the success of all our students.

## **Kindergarten Transition**

2018 Kindy transition will commence in week 3 (October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017). This is a very exciting time around the school where the 2018 Kindy students will transition into their classroom, meeting their peers and some of our wonderful Grove students. Throughout the transition students will participate in constructing buildings using Lego, blocks and play dough, drawing pictures of themselves on their first day @ The Grove, listening to stories and creating beautiful masterpieces to take home to their parents.

## **Year 3 Transition**

As our beautiful Year 2 students are getting ready to venture to their new schools in 2018, they will be participating in their own transition days at their new schools. Transition dates for Year 2 are: October 27<sup>th</sup>, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, and November 10<sup>th</sup>. Good luck at your new school and we are all excited to hear about your transition experience when you return to school.

## **NRL Sports Carnival**

Our annual sports carnival will be on **Tuesday October 31<sup>st</sup>**. The staff and students are looking forward to the NRL Sports Carnival team to come and have an enjoyable afternoon filled with footy drills and games. We ask that students wear their full sports uniform with hat and water bottle as we will be outside.

## **Signing In and Out at the Office**

While we welcome all parents and carers into our school, it is important to remember to sign in /out at the office. If you are coming to pick your child up during the school day, we ask that you come to the office to receive an early leaving slip and we will call your child's classroom for you. Your child will meet you at the office. If you are visiting we ask that you sign in and out at the front office. We appreciate your support of this policy.

## **Tell Them From Me Survey**

Thank you to all parents who participated in the 'Tell Them From Me' survey. The survey helps to clarify and strengthen the important relationship between home and school and to provide an insight from a parent's point of view. Your feedback is very important to our school.

Erica Sanders – Relieving Principal

# Talk Back @ The Grove

## Important Dates for Term 4

Zoo Excursion – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Sushi Lunch Club – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017

School Disco – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Presentation Day – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017

'Thank you' Morning Tea – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2017

The annual NSW Premier's Reading Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading in all students and to enable them to experience quality literature.

To meet the challenge K-2 students are required to read a total of 30 books, 25 of which must appear on the Premier's Reading Challenge Booklist.

*These books may be read alone, with someone or read to them.*

We are very proud to announce that all students at The Grove have met the 2017 challenge. Thanks must go to our teachers who have carefully selected and read eligible book titles during class.

Students will be issued with a certificate from The Premier during Term 4.



## Book Fair

All sales have now been finalised and we are pleased to announce that \$991.50 was raised at our 2017 Book Week Fair. We thank the families that purchased books to donate directly to the school library and also those who purchased books for home.



# Term 3 Excursions

We have certainly been very busy during Term 3 and I thank our students for all their hard work during the term.

## Planetarium Excursion

All Students and staff enjoyed their excursion to the Wollongong Science Centre and Planetarium. Students experienced the science centre, science experiments and the planetarium show.



## McRae's Park Excursion

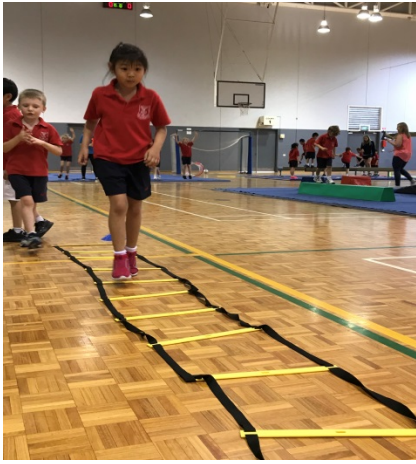
Students enjoyed their walking excursion to McRae's Park this week. Students looked at features of McRae's Park as part of their Geography studies on the unit "Features of Places".





## Gymnastics

Gymnastics is in full swing this term. Every **Friday** students will be participating in Gymnastics lessons at Hurstville Aquatics Center. Students will be required to wear their summer **sports uniform** and should bring a water bottle with them to keep hydrated.



## Taronga Zoo

Students will be going on an exciting excursion to Taronga Zoo on Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please wear full **sports uniform** and **pack lunch and waterbottle in library bag**. Please be at school by 9:00am for a **9:15am departure**. As part of this term's science units, Kindy and Stage 1 are both looking at "Living and Non Living things" which entails a detailed look at life cycles and natural habitats. All students are very excited for this incredible day!

## Class Captains

We would like to congratulate all of our Class Captains this term as voted in by their peers.

### Kindy



### Year 1



### Year 2



Save the Date – November 10<sup>th</sup> 2017

