



POSSUM POST

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Term 2, Week 8, 2016

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 20 June

P&C Meeting

Friday 24 June

Reports due home

Monday 27 June

Parent interviews Yr 3-6

Tuesday 28 June

Parent interviews all years

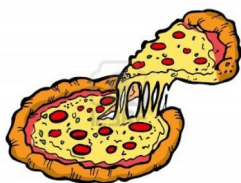
Wednesday 29 June

Parent interviews K-2

SS Athletics Carnival

Friday 1 July

Pizza & Pyjama Day



Term 3

Monday 18 July

Staff Development Day

Tuesday 19 July

Students return

Wednesday 27 July

OC Placement Test

Friday 29 July

Tree Day

Monday 1 August

P&C Meeting

Tuesday 16 August

Mathematics Competition (UNSW)

Friday 19 August

School Concert

Monday 22 August

Book Week Parade

Friday 2 September

Fathers Day Stall

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

What another exciting fortnight at Waterfall Public School. Public speaking is well under way, Healthy Harold visited and the school was over-run by pirates Aarrghh!

CREATE SOUTH

Congratulations to Julia for her successful audition to Create South. Julia will participate in workshops throughout the year culminating in a performance evening on Wednesday 19th October. Well done, Julia.

NCCD – National Consistent Collection of Data

From 2015, all schools in Australia are required to participate in the annual National Consistent Collection of Data on Students with Disability. Involvement in the national data collection will assist school to:

- Gain a greater understanding of their student population and how students can best be supported.
- Formally and consistently recognise the support and adjustments provided to students with disability in the school.
- Develop the professional judgement of school teams in making adjustments for a student's disability rather than relying on medical/clinical diagnosis alone.

It is important to note that this data collection will include students who may not have a formal diagnosis of a disability but who have impairments that require adjustments.

General information about the national data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education and Training website at:
<http://education.gov.au/factsheets-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>.

School Uniforms

Our school uniform promotes our school identity. It is important that students wear the correct school uniform proudly to school each day. In the past few weeks, as the weather has changed, I have noticed students not wearing the correct school uniform. I understand that from time to time items get misplaced or outgrown, however on these occasions please try to wear clothing matching our school colours until a replacement uniform can be sourced.

Week 9 Public Speaking

On Wednesday 22nd June we will be having our Public Speaking finals at 2pm in the front room. There will be NO Tuesday assembly for this week. All are welcome to come along and see our orator finalists showcased.

Community Survey

I am attaching a short community survey. Feedback is an important component for continuous evaluation and improvement. Please have your say and then return the feedback slip to the orange box located in the office foyer by Friday 24th June.

Playground Construction

I kindly ask that students and families NOT visit the school in the holidays while our playground is being built. The construction site could be a safety risk. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Results from Facebook

Thank you to those of you who responded to the Facebook questionnaire. At this stage a school Facebook page will not be going ahead due to concerns for student privacy. This concept may be open to review later in the year if parents wish.

Assemblies – Term 3 Trial

Next term we would like to trial conducting assemblies on a fortnightly basis. These would occur on each even week in the front room. This process will help maximise learning time and make our assemblies more value-added.

“Successful people build each other up. They motivate, inspire and push each other. Unsuccessful people just hate, blame and complain”.

Until next time

‘Choose Kind’

Sonia James

Mrs Sonia James
Principal (Rel.)

SUTHERLAND SHIRE COUNCIL VACATION CARE

Sutherland Shire Council’s Vacation Care program for the July holidays is now available online. It’s full of great excursions and activities to keep children busy & active, including a visit to Webers Circus, ice skating and a wildlife show at the centres. Council’s centres at Miranda, Lucas Heights and Burraneer Bay are run by highly trained teams. For program details and enrolment, visit www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/VacationCare or call 9710 0466.

SHIRE KIDS FESTIVAL

During these winter school holidays, Sutherland Shire Council also presents the Shire Kids Festival, with a large selection of great activities for children. On offer are fun performances, exhibitions, activities and events for children and their families to enjoy - some of them are free. Children can pick up a Shire Kids Festival 'Passport' from participating venues, visit some or all of the venues to collect stickers and answer secret questions, and later upload their passport for a chance to win great prizes. For details visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au
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SHORT TERM LOCAL CASUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Australian Bureau of Statistics is looking for staff to assist with the 2016 Census.

Essential: A car, reliable internet, computer, printer, smartphone/tablet

Flexible hours: Daytime, early evening, weekends—up to 30 hours per week

When: Late July to mid September. Census night is 9 August—1 day training in late July

Role: To assist residents who have not completed forms, either paper or online

Pay: \$21.61 per hour (including loading). Estimated total full term: \$1500.00—\$2000.00

Apply: abs.gov.au/careers

For assistance re applying contact John 0419 144987

P & C REPORT

Pizza and PJ Day is coming Friday July 1st. More details will be sent home soon.

We will be holding a cake stall at Bunnings Kirrawee on Saturday 30 July, so we will need your help to supply lots of yummy treats to sell to help raise lots of \$\$\$\$. So get out those recipes and maybe do some trial runs with the kids during the holidays.

Next P&C meeting this coming Monday, 20 June at 7pm in the Library. Hope to see you there.

Regards,
Allison



Sutherland Shire Council proudly presents

SHIRE

KIDS

WIN PRIZES
#LTPS/16/04314

FESTIVAL 2-17 JULY

SEE, CREATE & EXPLORE

These winter school holidays join in a world of colour and fun with performances, exhibitions, activities and events for kids and the whole family to enjoy.

PARTICIPATING VENUES: CHILDREN'S SERVICES | CRONULLA BEACH | GUNNAMATTA PARK NAIDOC EVENT
CRONULLA PLAZA 'SNOOKERFEET' | HAZELHURST ART GALLERY | SHIRE LIBRARIES | SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
SUTHERLAND SHIRE LEISURE CENTRES | MENAI INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE | WESTFIELD MIRANDA, CENTRE COURT

For more details visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au

Sutherland Shire COUNCIL

SUTHERLAND SHIRE COUNCIL VACATION CARE

Enrolments are open for Council's July school holiday Vacation Care.

Our centres at Miranda, Lucas Heights and
Burraneer Bay offer plenty of fun including:

- Excursions to the circus, movies and ice skating
- Magic workshop, wildlife show, science days, craft and origami at the centres.

Burraneer Bay:	Kindergarten-12 years
Lucas Heights:	Kindergarten-14 years
Miranda:	Kindergarten-14 years

All centres open 7am-6pm.



Programs and enrolment:

Phone: 9710 0466

Email: VacationCare@ssc.nsw.gov.au

Web: [www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/
VacationCare](http://www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/VacationCare)





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