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Newsletter 19

A fortnightly newsletter for the school
community of Miranda North Public
School.

SCHOOL NEWS

GET WELL SOON ALECIA!

We are thrilled to see Alecia improving each day and



looking forward to having her return to school before the year's end. Thank you to families who have so generously donated to

support her as she recovers from her surgeries. There's a donation box in the office or alternatively, donations may be given to the class teacher. Thank you for your generosity.

Alecia and her friend, Sienna, on a recent visit to school.

CANTEEN SERVICE:

Canteen orders may be made through flexischools.com.au. There is an information section of the flexi-schools website which explains how the online ordering system works and how to set up an account. It can be accessed by this link: <https://support.flexischools.com/support/how-flexischools-works>. Orders must be made before 6pm on the evening before (ie: 6pm on Monday and Wednesday). Orders are prepared at the commercial kitchen at Endeavor Sports High and then delivered to the school in time for lunch each Tuesday and Thursday.



CONGRATULATIONS TO TOM AND ARIANNE

Congratulations to Tom and Arianne for their wonderful artwork in the recent Leader "design an ad" competition. Tom was awarded first place for his design and won \$1000 for the school as well as a prize for himself. Arianne's design was highly commended. We look forward to Tom being presented with his award at a special awards ceremony. Congratulations Tom and Arianne!





The successful artworks!

FIT-A – THON FUNDRAISER FUN:



Students have brought home their sponsorship cards for the collection of donations. The day was hugely successful and donations are already flowing in. A pizza party is on offer for the class with the highest funds raised in K-2 and 3-6. Keep those donations rolling in!

PARENTS AS PARTNERS ETHICS INFORMATION SESSION

Last Friday, the Primary Ethics volunteer co-ordinator came along to present an information session on Primary Ethics. The viability of ethics will be explored with the view of offering a class in 2018 on Tuesdays at 9.30am. Our last Parents as Partners workshop for the year will be on Friday, Week 9 where will explore the Parents as Partners sessions that you would like to hold in 2018. It will be a final celebration for the year! We hope to see you there.

PLANNING FOR 2018:

Planning is well underway for 2018 and now is the time to ensure that you have notified the school if you are not returning to Miranda North in 2018. Thank you for your assistance in notifying the office on 9524 6842 if you are not returning, or returning later than the first day of term for students. This information allows for planning for classes in 2018.

2018 STAFFING UPDATES

The start of any new year brings changes and new beginnings. Some of the changes in 2018 include:

- Mr Ford will take long service leave pending his retirement and will conclude at the end of the school year.
- Mrs Walker will take long service leave for all of 2018.
- Mrs Helen Hodsdon, our school chaplain, will retire at the end of the year.

Each of these staff members has made a special contribution to our school and our community of a number of years. We thank each of them for their work and dedication and wish them well for the future. Mr Ford and Mrs Walker's positions will be filled by temporary staff for the full year.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF OUR BEAUTIFUL SCHOOL PLAYGROUND:



Ms Eleni Petinos, MP, attended our school last Monday to open our new school playground area which was completed in term 3. Our choir performed beautifully and our student leaders spoke about our playground and made a presentation to Ms Petinos to thank her for the NSW State Government grant which generously contributed to its construction. Thank you to parents and carers who

came along and joined the staff for morning tea. It was terrific to celebrate with you!



Our student leaders and P and C at the opening

FAREWELL FROM OUR SCHOOL CHAPLAIN, HELEN HODSDON



After a career of almost 40 years working with children and families, and the past 4 and a half of those at Miranda North, it is with some sadness that I have decided to retire.

I have loved being a part of this amazing school community - both as a parent of children who

attended the school and in my role as school chaplain. I leave with many wonderful memories and great confidence that Miranda North will continue to be a place where children and families are valued and where excellent teaching and learning takes place. The teaching staff here have been a joy to work with, the parents have been welcoming and supportive of my role and above all, I have loved working with your precious children.

As you can see by the photo, I have a treasured 2 year old grand-daughter. I also have a new grandson and another grandchild due in the next few weeks. Life is about to become very busy in a different way! It is now time to give more to my family and I look forward to being able to support them in whatever ways I can.

Thank you to St Lukes Miranda for their support of my role, and to the leadership team, teaching staff, administration team, families and children of the Miranda North school community for the great privilege it has been working here. Helen Hodsdon

FEEDBACK AND PLANNING FOR 2018

A final consultation survey is available for parents wishing to share their thoughts about our school.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9QP7PT2>

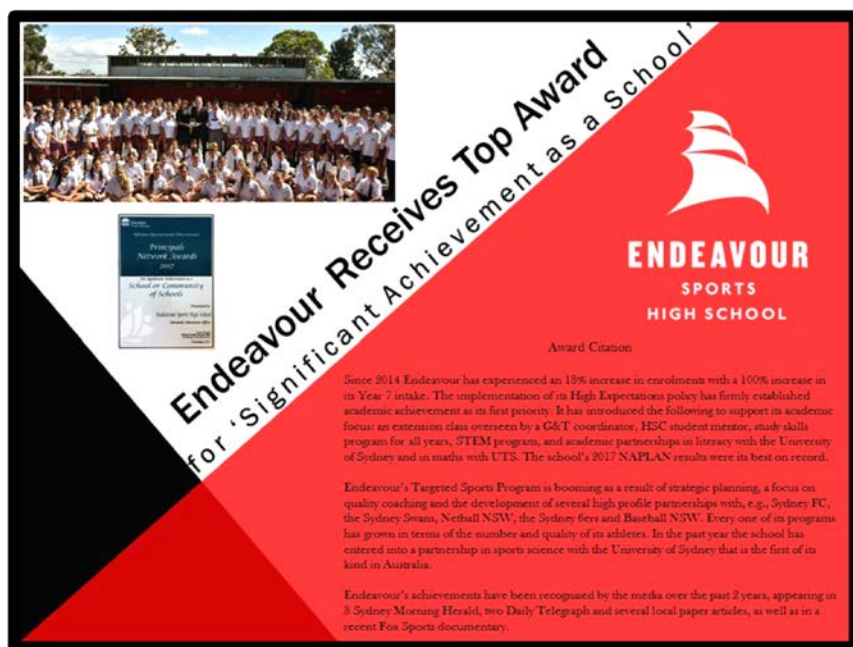
If you would like to provide feedback about our canteen for 2018, please use the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PHY6K3R>

If you haven't had a chance to provide us your feedback, we would love you to respond. We value your input and will consider it when planning for 2018 and beyond.

FRIDAY CANTEEN HELPERS FOR 2018

If you are able to assist as a volunteer at the P and C Friday canteen, please leave your details with the school office (9524 6842) and they will be passed onto the Friday canteen coordinator. Thank you for your support!



Congratulations to Endeavour Sports High on their recent award!

BANKING REMINDER

Wednesday the 6th of December is the last day for school banking for this year. The last order for rewards is Friday 1 December 2017.



REGULAR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE HAS A POSITIVE IMPACT ON LEARNING.

Attendance Counts

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

Check the time your school starts. DON'T BE LATE!

EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!

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Student of the Week Term 4 Week 5

Class	Name
KE	Taj F
KF	Grace W
KMN	Summer K
1A	Alena M
1F	Seth S
1/2B	Jackson M, Kyan R
2J	Izzy M, Blake T
2/3M	Olivia B, Harry W
3/4M	Tahi M, Aleisha L
3/4W	Ryker A, Eliza D
4/5S	Leilah B, Ethan C
5/6D	Tiana P, Tamara S
6B	Isa F, Kye M

Student of the Week Term 4 Week 6

Class	Name
KE	Jordyn W
KF	Eva G
KMN	Jaxx C
1A	Harrison A
1F	Teddy S
1/2B	Tiahne M, Marcus M
2J	Sharlae A, Chase R
2/3M	Jake H, Kayla P
3/4M	Jaxon K, Madison H
3/4W	Ella A, Millie L
4/5S	Jonas K, Jacob E
5/6D	Arianne D, Morgan N
6B	Jordan H, Seth H

Dates to Remember

Wednesday 22 November	Band Try Out Day, Kinder Playdate
Tuesday 5 December	Last day of K-2 Swimming
Wednesday 6 December	Helpers Morning Tea, Final day for School banking
Thursday 7 December	Year 6 Gala Day
Friday 8 December	Final day of Year 3 to 6 Intra Sport, Calmsley Hill City Farm Excursion
Tuesday 12 December	Presentation Evening 7:00pm
Wednesday 13 December	Year 6 Farewell 6:30pm
Thursday 14 December	Christmas Performance and K-2Disco
Friday 15 December	Students last day, Talent Quest, 3-6 Disco, Farewell Yr 6

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St Luke's Miranda North Community Church meets every Sunday from 10am in the School Hall. We'd love to welcome you and your family. Morning tea, Sunday School and Crèche for the kids all provided. 10am Sunday, all welcome!

TAEKWONDO



Taekwondo is a form of self defence using bare hands and feet. It is suitable for girls and boys over 5 years old.

Grand Master Kwak has the highest black belt (9th Dan) in Australia and has over fifty years of teaching experience. He has classes at Miranda North Public School on Wednesdays 4pm. New members are welcome for a trial.

For enquiries please call
(02) 9524-9560 / 0410 682 171



Southern Sydney Youth Girls Come and Try

All girls in Southern Sydney are invited along to an evening of footy fun! AFL staff will be running skill clinics and modified activities catering for all skill levels!
PLUS there will be a free BBQ and prizes up for grabs!

Date: Wednesday, 22 November, 2017

Time: 5.30-7pm - please arrive at least 15 minutes in advance

Age: 9 -17 year old girls (U10 – U18 age groups)

Location: Waratah Park Field 3, Sutherland

For more information, contact Aimee Rainbird: aimee.rainbird@afl.com.au or 0447 455 185



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