



School News

Wednesday 15 February 2017

Meet the Teacher- Thank you!

Thank you to parents and carers who were able to attend the Meet the Teacher opportunity last week. Teachers were pleased to be able to share information about the class routines and learning focus for the year. If you were not able to attend the afternoons, check the "News-notes" section of the school app for the stage meeting details.



Our School Leaders' message for the year

Our student leaders welcome students and their families to the new school year. Here is their welcome message. We are confident that our student leaders will shine in their roles throughout the year and have already made a magnificent start!

Welcome back to school to all of the students and families to a fun and exciting year at Miranda North Public School.

2017 will be an adventure for all students and we are really proud to be your student leadership team. We especially would like to welcome new students to our school and to our kindergarten buddies, "Welcome to big school!"

We think our school is filled with kind and friendly students and everyone gets on well. We love the fact that learning in our classrooms is fun and that there are lots of options available such as sport, dance, choir, band, coding and visiting groups and speakers.

We hope to be able to make everyone feel safe and happy at school and represent our school well. Have a great year everyone.



From your student leaders, Lleyton, Jordan, Kye and Rani

Do you have our school app?

We are keen to communicate with our school community in as many ways as possible and email our fortnightly newsletters to everyone we can. We also post the newsletter on our school website:

<http://www.mirandanth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>

Another method of communication is via our MNPS app. This can be downloaded to your smart phone by searching for Miranda North Public School in your App Store. It is free to install and all you need to do is enter:

Username: **community** and Password: **mirandanthps**

You will also need to register the year group(s) your child/children are in so you receive all the relevant information. The APP will also have the newsletter uploaded to it each week. Parents who have been using the APP may need to adjust the year group for 2017.

A visual celebration of learning

Keep an eye out on the "gallery" section of our school website. It has photos of learning, events and celebrations that occur in classrooms and the playground. Notifications about school events and reminders are also sent via the app. We hope you find it an effective way of sharing information about our great school.

Students enjoy a start to "Fit Futures"

Fit Futures commenced this week and instructor Troy and his team focussed on developing Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS) in Years K-2 and ball skills in Years 3-6. Thank you to parents and carers who have already made payment for the sport program. Here are a few snaps of the students during their first lesson.



Congratulations to kindergarten on a great start to school!

Kindergarten have settled beautifully into their new classes and made a wonderful start to their school learning journey. They have enjoyed exploring the school and



Library News

Welcome back to another year of reading fun. Years 3-6 have started borrowing for the Premiers Reading Challenge and students will be sure to enjoy the broad selection of titles available this year.

Parents, please encourage your children to read as much as possible the benefits are endless. Here are just a few:

- Reading gives muscle to your memory
- Reading can melt away stress
- Reading boosts your vocabulary
- Reading improves empathy
- Reading can encourage life goals
- Reading helps you feel more connected.



Library lessons are held on the following days:

MONDAY	-	1F, 1A, KE, KF, 1/2B
TUESDAY	-	6B, 4/5S, 3/4W, 3/4M
WEDNESDAY	-	2/3M, 2J
THURSDAY	-	KMN, 5/6D

Children are asked to bring their library bags to school on these days.

We are also hoping to get some parent volunteers to help out with contacting books. You would be welcome to either contact at school or take the books home. Whatever would be more convenient. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated!

Dance

Dancing has started this week and we have had a great response. We have six groups taught by Mrs Leah Crowther from Ettinghausen's Dynamic Arts. Semester One fees are due by Tuesday 28 February. Costume fees will be due in Term 2. The dance timetable for 2017 is below. Looking forward to another great year of dance!

Ruth Finney, Dance Coordinator

<u>Day and Time</u>	<u>Group</u>
Monday lunch 11am	Year 4/5/6 Boys
Tuesday lunch 11 am	Year 5/6 Girls
Tuesday recess 1.25 pm	Year 2/3 Boys
Thursday lunch 11 am	Year 3/4 Girls
Friday lunch 11 am	Year 2 Girls
Friday recess 1.25 pm	Year 1 Boys and Girls

Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday the 1st of February we attended our annual school swimming carnival. We had a wonderful day with a large number of students competing. Congratulations to the students for demonstrating their Miranda North manners at all times.

On the day we record house points for each student who participates in an event, as well as the students who place 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in a race. After tallying the results, the final house points were Wallabies on 240 points, Kangaroos on 243 Points, Possums on 259 points and Koalas on 262 points. Congratulations to the Koalas!

The Zone Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday the 28th of February at Caringbah Leisure Centre. The students who have met qualifying times will be notified shortly with a note to go home. Please note that all children who participate in the Cronulla Zone Carnival must be available to also compete at the Regional Carnival if they are successful.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful parent helpers from lifesavers, to time keepers and anyone who assisted with the general set up of the day. Your assistance is much appreciated and helps us run the day smoothly.

Taylor Davidson, Swimming Carnival Coordinator



School Banking

Commonwealth School Banking commences next week on Wednesday 22 February. Students should bring their bank books in on Wednesday morning to their class teacher who will send the class banking up to the office for collection. We thank our parent volunteer Sumaya for kindly giving up her time to assist the students with their saving goals.





Playground Friends



Dates to Remember

Tuesday 21 February	School Photos
Wednesday 22 February	School Banking commences
Tuesday 28 February	Zone Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 29 March	Interrelate
Monday 3 April	Survivor Life Skills Stage 3
Friday 7 April	Anzac Ceremony Final Day Term 1

When kids ask "the" questions... Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate's high-quality Sexuality and Relationship Education program is coming to your school!

With over 90 years' experience in this field, Interrelate has a reputation for providing excellence in sexuality and relationship education. Today, over 40,000 students and family members participate in Interrelate School and Family programs each year.

Many parents find it hard to discuss questions relating to sexuality education. *We know how to help break the ice.* Interrelate programs are interactive and family focused, and are conducted by highly trained and experienced educators, who adhere to a strict code of ethics.

Session 1: Where did I come from? (1 hour session - Year 3-6)

This session educates children more about how their bodies work and the differences between males and females, including their understanding of conception, fertilisation, foetal development and the birth process.

Session 2: Preparing for puberty (1 hour session - Years 5-6; Years 3-4 at parent's discretion)

This session prepares children and parents/caregivers for the physical, social and emotional changes associated with puberty, and addresses changing emotions and relationships with families and peers.

Interrelate School Services presents a special evening program

Family cost: 1 session \$30 per family | 2 sessions \$35 per family
Please note that this cost is GST inclusive

Where: MIRANDA NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

When: Wednesday, 29th March 2017

Time: Where did I come from? 6:00 pm SHARP Preparing for puberty 7:15pm

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night

----- Please complete and return to the school office, with payment in an envelope labelled with child's name and class -----

a special evening program

Name of family: _____

No. attending: ☐ Session 1: Where did I come from? ☐ Session 2: Preparing for puberty

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

I have made an online payment. My receipt no. _____

OR ☐ Eftpos ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ Credit card

Credit card number: _____/_____/_____ Expiry date: _____

CCV (3 digits on the reverse of the card): _____ Amount: _____

Name on card: _____

Signature: _____





TAKE CARE GOING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Welcome back to a new school year! Sutherland Shire Council Roads & Traffic Officers will be out at all schools again this year helping you to ensure that all children get to and from school safely.

DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN

Schools are areas where there is a lot of interaction between cars and pedestrians: your children. Children are small, hard to see, behave unpredictably, and are extremely vulnerable.

Their lack of road experience means it is difficult for them to judge dangerous situations. Boys are twice as likely to be involved in pedestrian accidents as girls and children 10-14 years have the highest rate of child pedestrian casualties (RMS).

- Children up to eight years old should hold an adult's hand on the footpath, in the carpark or when crossing the road.
- Children up to ten years old should be actively supervised around traffic and should hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.
- Take the time to make sure your children are aware of, understand and follow traffic safety regulations when they are walking.

HAVE A PLAN

Plan with your son or daughter how you will collect them. When and where you will be after school? Where should they wait? Make sure they know not to try and get into your vehicle while it is still in traffic, even if you are stopped, they should wait until you have parked at the side of the road.

Plan to arrive AFTER the school bell goes in the afternoon, so your children are ready and waiting for you and you are not blocking traffic.

NO PARKING ZONES

A No Parking zone is a pick up and drop off area, you can stop here for a maximum of two minutes to drop off or pick up passengers and must remain within three metres of the vehicle. When parents park in a No Parking zone for longer than two minutes they prevent other parents from stopping to drop off or pick up their children, creating frustration and dangerous situations. If you arrive before the school bell and block the pickup areas, you risk a fine.

Parking offences in school zones carry heavier fines and loss of demerit points. Sutherland Shire Council makes no apologies for fining drivers who break the law around schools and in school zones.

See the Roads and Maritime Authority website at www.rms.nsw.gov.au for more about Australian Road Rules and other road safety information.

SOME SIGNS YOU WILL SEE AROUND YOUR SCHOOL

NO PARKING

What does it mean?

You CAN stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle at all times.



Why is it there?

To provide a safe place for older children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children

NO STOPPING

What does it mean?

You CANNOT stop in this area FOR ANY REASON.

Why is it there?

To keep sight lines clear for drivers AND children so both have more time to avoid crashes.



BUS ZONE

What does it mean?

You must NOT stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.

Why is it there?

To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up. Cars parking in bus zones put lives at risk by forcing buses out of 'their' safety



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ENDEAVOUR

Sports High School

2016 OPEN NIGHT

Wednesday 24h February
School Hall 6.00pm - 8.00pm

- Exceptional teaching and learning standards; high student expectations and teacher commitment. Best HSC results in 5 years
- Year 7 Extension Class
- Enrichment in extra-curricular interests: band, debating, drama, the visual arts, chess club
- Dynamic learning environment in state of the art learning and sporting facilities
- School community participating and benefitting from state recognised student welfare initiatives: White Ribbon, Captains Counsel, True 2 U-girls initiative, Boys 2 Men
- Targeted Sport Program offering elite training and sportsmanship in: AFL, athletics, baseball, basketball, cricket, dance, netball, rugby league, soccer boys & girls, swimming, tennis, rugby union, water polo
- Sporting partner organisations include Sydney FC, Cronulla Sharks Rugby League, Sydney Swans, Sydney Sixers, Southern Districts Rugby, Sydney Blue Sox, Netball NSW, Sharks Basketball & Sutherland Athletics Club.
- **Strong academic results** in 2014, 2015 HSC. Graduates placed in university courses including: Health Science, Business & Economics, International Law, Architecture & Design, Psychology, Engineering Studies
- **Strong sporting achievements** in 2014, 2015 with graduates securing sporting contracts both nationally and internationally.



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Play soccer this season for the Mighty Magpies

It is still not too late!

We have extended our registration period for all under 6 players until 6pm Friday
17th February

If your child wants to play soccer this season, then
you need to register now.

Full details on how to register and more information please log onto our Website www.mirandamagpies.com
For all registration enquiries email registrar@mirandamagpies.com

We will be holding an Under 6 Muster on Friday 17th February from 5.30 until 7.30pm at Seymour Shaw Park.
Including a meet n greet BBQ for the whole family.

All players need to be registered prior to grading of teams.

Teams are formed based on player friendships from school or other activities.

Venue: Miranda Magpies FC Clubhouse, Seymour Shaw, Central Rd, Miranda.



BURRANEER RUGBY CLUB

wants you!

Join us at Burraneer Rugby Club
for the 2017 rugby season

Home Ground: John Dwyer Park,
16 Oleander Parade, Caringbah

Age Groups:

- Mini's - U/6s & U7s
(Girls & Boys) - "No Tackle"
- Mini's - U/8s & U9s (Tackle)
- Juniors - U10's to U18's
- Girls - U15's Sevens Tournament
- Seniors 18+
- Masters 35+

Rego Information and Gear Sale Times:

Saturday 25th February 4pm-6pm

&

Saturday 11th March 4pm-6pm

PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE FOR
REGISTRATION DETAILS - burraneerrugby.com

Come & Try Rugby Night

15th February at John Dwyer Oval

Skills & drills for all ages from U6's to U15's. Aim to arrive by 5.30pm for 6pm start.
New, Existing or Potential Players welcome.

Burraneer Rugby Family Values

As members of the Burraneer Rugby community; Players, Coaches and Spectators it is our
responsibility to champion the Burra FAMILY values both personally and across the community.

Fairness; Fair play with equal treatment for all.

Attitude; Attitude to training and the game.

Mateship; Mates you will make for life through the rugby network.

Integrity; Behave with honesty and display strong moral principles.

Learn; Learning through development.

Yourselves; Be yourself, better yourself, but above all, enjoy yourself.



COME AND PLAY

HOCKEY

GIRLS & BOYS

PLAYERS WANTED U5's to U17's

visit us at www.sharkshockey.com.au

2017 Rego dates - Sat 4-Feb (10-2) - Jenola Fields
Sat 18-Feb (2-4)

New Players U7 receive a Free Shirt and Socks

Contact Sharks Hockey:

Phone: 0431945706

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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
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A ST LUKE'S MIRANDA CHURCH

connecting people with Christ

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!

New Price

EAT, PLAY, COOK available for purchase from the school office for \$5.

