



School News

Open Day celebrations

— A day of fun and recognition for our whole school community

Congratulations Miranda North! 60 years of public education was celebrated at school on Open Day, 2017. A special assembly, open classrooms and performances were all key features of the day which was enjoyed by many parents, carers and visitors. Our Education Week was an opportunity to showcase the many talents of our students, the wide array of programs on offer for our students and the wonderful sense of community that can be felt in every corner of the school.



Sutherland Shire Schools' Music Festival Concert series

Our choirs and dance groups have wowed the crowds at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre over the last few weeks with superb choral singing and entertaining dance routines. A huge "congratulations" to our performers and thank you to the teachers who have prepared for the events over many months. A special mention to Lleyton, Luca, Matthew, Evie, Leonardo, Mia and Jack, our student comperes, who did a magnificent job in leading the senior concert with Ms Orlovich last night. You were very impressive and made Miranda North proud!



Public Speaking Finals

Last Monday Miranda North held the public speaking finals for students in stage one to three. The speeches were of a high quality and the judges were impressed by the students range of topics, strong arguments and presentation. The judges are keenly observing three aspects of the speech - the manner, matter and method. Students presented both a prepared and impromptu speech which has equal weighting in the judging process. In 2017, there was a significant improvement in the impromptu speeches, a challenging task for even an accomplished speaker! Well done to all students who participated and congratulations to Archer, Olivia and Rani who will be representing the school at the district competition in early September.



Bike and Scooter Safety

Thank you to parents and carers for ensuring that students and their siblings do not ride scooters or bikes through the school playground after pick up. Your consideration is appreciated.



Book Week 'Escape to Everywhere'

Students in K-2 will be very fortunate to be entertained by the lovely librarians from Miranda and Sutherland Libraries during Book Week next week. They will get to hear about some of the fantastic picture books that have been short-listed by the Children's Book Council of Australia to win 'Book of the Year'. These will include the books 'Chip', 'Gary', 'Go Home Cheeky Monkeys' and 'Snow Wombat'.

Wednesday 23 August

9:30-10:15am - 1A, 1F, 1/2B, 2J, 2M.

10:15 - 11:00am - KE, KMN, KF



PSSA draws to a close!

Congratulations to our PSSA teams for a fabulous result in the winter competition. Our Junior B netball and Junior A soccer teams were premiers of the competition in 2017 and our Junior A netball team placed 3rd in their competition! A nail biting finals day was enjoyed by many parents and carers and students alike last Friday. Well done Miranda North! You've made us all proud! Take a look at some of the action shots from the finals on our website gallery.



Congratulations to our PSSA Junior A soccer boys who, last Friday 11th August, became the division 3 premiers for 2017. Although the game was a 0-0 draw, the consistent effort from the boys during the season meant that they ended with the greatest amount of points on the overall score board. All the boys should be very proud of their efforts on game day and throughout the season. Well done boys!

Mrs Sherwen

Dates to Remember

Thursday 17 August	Zone Athletics Day 2
Friday 18 August	3.25pm — 4pm Canteen open for snacks
Wednesday 23 August	Book Week Miranda Library Visit 9:30-10:15am - 1A, 1F, 1/2B, 2J, 2M. 10:15 - 11:00am - KE, KMN, KF
Monday 28 August	7pm Kurrunulla 3/4 girls dance and 4/5/6 boys dance
Friday 1 September	Fathers Day stall
Thursday 7 September	Public Speaking Sylvania Heights
Tuesday 12 September	Regional Athletics

Our playground upgrade is almost finished!

After a number of weeks of building, our new play area is almost complete! A dry sandstone creek bed complete with a bridge is a new addition to the playground. Situated on the eastern side of the playground, it is an area where students can explore, pretend, relax and wander.

The eating area has been refreshed and moved from under the large trees to a larger and safer part of the playground. This will allow students to eat lunch together and leave their lunchboxes in a safe area whilst they play. Surrounded by large sandstone and timber seating, there are many natural spaces for students to engage in passive play, sit and talk and enjoy each other's company. A wonderful addition is a timber serpent that winds through the playground and provides both extra seating and a creative play space for students.

A special part of the playground is the outdoor learning space, nestled under a shade tree on the western side of the playground. It will be a welcome addition where students and their teachers can take learning outside on a beautiful day!

Our Fair Day is almost here!

After many months of planning, our Fair Day is soon to arrive. We have not held a school fair for many years and this year's fair looks to be a fabulous one with many parents and carers offering help and assistance. The following information was sent home on Monday and will assist you with planning for the day and provide an overview of what is on offer. It is repeated in case you missed it! There is still an opportunity to assist. If you haven't yet been allocated a task on the day, please see your child's class teacher or contact Nicole Crocker to offer assistance. Alternatively, you may leave your details at the office and they can be passed onto the organising team.



MIRANDA NORTH Public School



60th Anniversary Fair Celebration- Update Bulletin

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is an exciting time as our 60th Anniversary Fair is fast approaching. We have provided some information to give you a picture of what will be available on the day. We encourage you to share this information with family and friends and encourage them to join us on the day.

Our 60th Anniversary Fair celebration will be held on Sunday 27 August, 2017, between 10am and 3pm.

Food Stalls:

There will be a variety of delicious food stalls on the day.

BBQ: A P and C run volunteer BBQ will sell delicious minute steaks, sausages and onion rolls as well as cool drinks. We appreciate St Luke's Church for helping by providing volunteers for the stall on the day.

Coffee and Cakes/biscuits and Slices: Fresh tea and coffee will be provided by the Coffee Van and the 2J/4-5S cake stall will serve scrumptious treats throughout the day.

Snacks: A range of snacks including, Chip or Corn on a Stick, Fairy Floss, Ice cream truck, popcorn and Snow Cones will be available throughout the fair.

Carnival Rides:

A range of carnival rides will be available on the day. These include, Crazy Cars, Ferris Wheel, Giant Slide and Sizzler ride. Carnival ride passes for students may be purchased at a discounted rate prior to the day from the P and C table under the COLA at \$25.00 per pass for unlimited rides on the day. You'll find the P and C table under the COLA each Thursday from 3pm until Fair day. Cash payments can also be accepted at the office. Please note that payment cannot be made through the online payment system on the school website. Alternatively, rides may be purchased at \$5.00 per ride on the day, or an unlimited ride pass for \$30.00 on the day.

Games and Activities:

There will be a range of fun games and activities for students and their families to enjoy. Umbrella Painting, Sand Art, Pony Rides, Petting Zoo and Face Painting. These games and activities can be undertaken by purchasing coupons from the coupon stalls on the day and redeeming them at any of the listed coupon stalls or activities. Coupons are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. Coupon redeemable stalls will be clearly marked and are separate from the carnival rides.

Other Class Stalls and Activities:

A variety of class organised stalls will operate on the day. These include, Trash and Treasure (1/2B), Plant Stall (1F), Coloured Hairspray and Tattoos (1A), Side Show Games (6B and 3/4M), Lolly Stall (3/4W), Fill a Bottle Fun (5/6D and 2/3M), Jumping Castle, Lucky Numbers, Clown Amusements and Candle Making.

These stalls/activities will sell directly to the public on the day and are supported by class parent volunteers.

Fair Market Stalls:

To add to the Fair day Fun, a range of Market stalls will be selling wares on the day. These include:

Pulse Property – Agent promotion with a fun activity, Thermomix, Melt-O-Licious – Candle sales and candle making classes, Dudes & Divas – Kids Clothing, Toys For Me – Toy items, Salts Of The Earth – Natural Health Products, Natalie Yates Design – Screen printed fabrics and products, Sky Blue Shoes – Kids leather shoes (also selling fudge), Sunday Styler – Women's Clothing.

All profits go to our wonderful school to support our children!

Thank you!

The P and C, staff and students have been working for many months to organise the day and we thank you in anticipation for your support of the Fair. All proceeds from the fair go to the school to support our children in their learning. If you would like to assist on the day, there are still some tasks to be allocated. If you are able to assist and haven't yet been allocated a role, please contact Nicole Crocker on 02412 823 521 to register your availability.

Yours sincerely,

60th Anniversary Organising Committee

Student of the Week Term 3 Week 2

Class	Name
KE	Kade B
KF	Tyler S
KMN	Abigail T
1A	Saskia T
1F	Lucas F
1/2B	Tyler F Jackson M
2J	Chase R Maya A
2/3M	Ashton P Alex J
3/4M	Sienna H Aleisha L-W
3/4W	Freya P Taia S
4/5S	Jonas K Noah R
5/6D	Oliver S Brandon T
6B	Dylan L-W Alexander P

Tell them From Me Survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a *Tell Them From Me* student survey in Term 1 this year. Asking students to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year.

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is confidential. It is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 21 August and 13 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **30 August, 2017**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

Dance Extravaganza

Thank you to the Year 1 dance group and the Year 2 girls dance group for their great manners backstage and their exuberant dance moves on the stage. It was a great night. We were very proud of you!



Library News

Book Fair Education Week

A huge thank you to all the parents, carers and students who purchased from our Book Fair during our Education Week celebrations. It was extremely successful with our goal of reaching \$2500 in sales, being shattered and reaching well beyond \$4500!!! This means with the commission we get from Scholastic, we will be able to purchase some wonderful new books for the library and some novels for class sets for literacy studies in the classrooms.

Also, thank you so much for all the lovely books that were donated during this week as well. Each student will receive their name on a donation plate at the front of the book and will be the first to borrow the book. Each student was also placed in a draw to win a prize. The following students have won a prize and will need to see Mrs Atkins in the library to collect. Congratulations!!

KE	-	Harry W	2/3M	-	Alex J
KF	-	Kennedy R	3/4M	-	Phoenix G
KMN	-	Ethan C	3/4W	-	Samantha R
1F	-	Hamish G	4/5S	-	Jakyn W
1/2B	-	Hamish G	5/6D	-	Brianna W
2J	-	David H	6B	-	Tamsyn M

Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) 2017

The Premier's Reading Challenge concludes at the end of this month, so I'm urging students in Years 3 to 6, to complete their 20 books as soon as they can. Once completed those students will need to enter their books onto the PRC

website <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html> using their student logins. Each student who completes the Challenge, received a prize from my prize box and a special certificate at the end of this year. First class to complete the Challenge independently will receive a Zooper Dooper each!! Students in K-2, don't need to do anything as their teacher is reading the required 30 books to them in class.

Book Covering—we urgently need parents/grandparent/carers to help cover our lovely new library books for the students to be able to borrow. Call in after school Monday to Thursday to take a pile home to cover. We will provide plastic (hard cover books) or contact (soft cover books) for you.

Sue Atkins

Librarian

Sutherland Shire
COUNCIL



FREE NATIVE SEEDLINGS



Help maintain biodiversity in your suburb by planting local native species in your garden.

To collect your two free native seedlings present this voucher during opening hours (7am to 3pm, Monday to Friday).

Call in and browse the extensive range of local species. Enter from The Boulevard, next to Gymea North Public School.

SUTHERLAND SHIRE COMMUNITY NURSERY

Looking for local native plants? Council's Sutherland Shire Community Nursery is open to the public and stocks a variety of plants indigenous to Sutherland Shire at wholesale prices.

Plants have been sourced from local species through seed and cutting collection by Bushcare volunteers. This stock is perfect for local gardens and for planting projects around the Shire.

The nursery can supply stock for all landscaping and revegetation works. On request, we can contract grow stock for specific projects.

Sutherland Shire Community Nursery
345 The Boulevard, Gymea NSW 2227
Tel: 9524 5672
www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au

Free Native Seedlings

If you have received one of these flyers with your recent Council Rates Notice and do not need the seedlings for your own property, could you please consider collecting your 2 free native seedlings from the Sutherland Shire Community Nursery to donate to our plant stall for the Fair Day on Sunday 27 August?

Could you please let Mrs O'Connell know if you can provide these plants?

Thank you for your support!



FATHERS DAY STALL—FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

The P & C will be running a Fathers Day Stall on Friday, 1 September. Children will be able to purchase for their special someone from a selection of gifts ranging in price from \$2 to \$10. Cards will also be on sale for \$1.



Thank you to our Major Sponsors for our 60th Anniversary fair!

A huge thank you to our sponsors for their support of our Anniversary School Fair. We appreciate your support in making our 60th Anniversary Fair a successful one!

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A huge thank you for your support of our school!

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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 (9thDan) 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

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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!



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