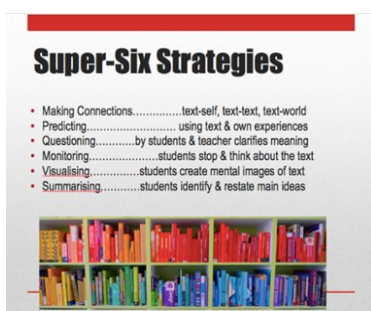




Miranda North Public School Newsletter

Parents as Partners-classroom visits



We were thrilled to have so many parents and carers visit our classrooms during the last Parents as Partners session about teaching reading comprehension. Participants learnt about the super six reading strategies that are explicitly taught across K-6. Our next session will be led by the Police Youth Liaison Officer, Deb Wilson, and will focus on cyber safety. She will also work with our stage 2 and 3 students to help develop awareness and safe practices. The next Parents as Partners date has been rescheduled to accommodate the police calendar. It will be held on Thursday 28 June at 9.30am.



Student Wellbeing Support Program - Chaplain

The process for selecting a school chaplain has now commenced, following approval by the Department of Education of a prequalified panel of external providers. Schools that choose to engage a school chaplain are required to use this prequalified panel of external providers. The selection panel was nominated last year and will comprise a representative from our P and C, staff member and principal. We look forward to the completion of the process and commencement of the role. The school would like to acknowledge St Luke's Church for their most generous contribution of \$7000.00 towards the funding of the position.

The role of the Student Wellbeing Support Officer/Chaplain:

While the key tasks of a student wellbeing support officer will vary depending on the needs of individual school communities, they could include:

- Working closely with, and/or as part of the school learning and support team or wellbeing committee and delivering student resilience and wellbeing services.
- Supporting the social and emotional wellbeing of students.

- Developing relationships with, and referring students to specialist services within the school or externally, under the supervision of the school principal.
- Attending Parents & Citizens' or equivalent parent body meetings as required to provide details of the program and the services that are available.
- Facilitating community partnership programs between the school and the wider community, under the supervision of the school principal.

Playground equipment boxes to enhance lunchtime play

Thanks to the generous donation of the P and C of \$1000, at the last P and C meeting, we have been able to purchase 5 boxes for the playground to house play equipment. Each stage will have a box and be responsible for looking after the contents. We will use the Coles sports vouchers to top up the tubs. Students are currently having input into the types of equipment that they like to use and care for and we look forward to seeing the playground space come alive in the near future.



Student Assessment and Reporting

Teachers are currently undertaking mid-year assessments to complement the ongoing assessment that occurs during the daily learning activities. Student learning reports are due for distribution at the end of term. In early term 3, there'll be an opportunity for students to share their progress towards their learning goals during Education Week, Open Day. We are keen for students to continue to develop their focus on their own goals and improvement in learning.

School Athletics Carnival

Our school athletics carnival is due to be held on Monday 18 June at school. It is a full day event and parents and carers are very welcome to join us for the day. Thank you to our P and C for running the BBQ and snack canteen on the day.



Visit from our school Director, Mrs Sue Tolhurst

We were fortunate last week to have a visit from our new Director, Mrs Sue Tolhurst. She came to visit our school and meet the staff and students.

She visited a few classrooms and had the opportunity to hear about the key projects in our current school plan- 4C Learning, Focus on Reading, Student Wellbeing and Student Leadership. We were very happy to host her recent visit to see our school and learning in action.

Dance Update

The year 1/2 boys (**Concert 6**, Monday, 20 August at 7 pm) and (matinee Friday, 17 August at 1pm) and the year 3/4 girls (**Concert 9**, 23 August at 7 pm) dance groups are performing in the Sutherland Shire Schools Music Festival. Tickets go on sale on Friday 8 June as per the note was distributed earlier this term.

The Dance Extravaganza has become very popular and we missed out on securing a place this year. However, some of our groups will be entered into Kurrunulla which will either be on the 3rd, 4th or 5th of September. We are also looking at performance alternatives for the other groups. All groups will perform at our school open day in Education Week. To book tickets for the Music Festival please go to : <http://www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Community/Entertainment-Centre/>

Learning around our school recently



Being Winter Wise

The cold weather is now upon us! Students should be wearing their winter uniform each day and ensure that all jackets and other items are labelled clearly with their name. All lost property is held at the stairs at the front of the morning assembly area. Please check the lost property from time to time to collect items. It would be a terrific help if all plastic containers/lunch boxes and drink bottles are also labelled with a family name as there tends to be a collection of items left each day which remain unclaimed.

Here are some tips to be winter wise this season:

Keep well

Good hygiene and behaviour can help reduce the spread of illness.

Here are some simple things to remember:

Catch it and bin it

Germs can spread easily. Always carry a tissue and use it to catch your cough or sneeze. If you don't have a tissue, coughing into your elbow is better than your hands.

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Throw used tissues in a rubbish bin as soon as possible.

Kill it

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Wash your hands thoroughly and often, especially after coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose.

Wash hands for at least 10 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand rub.

Stay at home

Wait at least 24 hours after your fever resolves before you return to work or other public activities so you do not infect others. Keep sick children away from school and other activities.



Starting school in 2019

We are now accepting enrolment applications for students who are turning 5 by 31 July, 2019. If you have not yet enrolled your child, please collect an enrolment form from the office.



Starting school in 2019?

Join us for the kindergarten orientation and transition program during October and November, 2018. We look forward to meeting you and your child!

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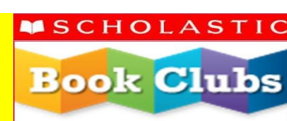
when:
October 18- Information Orientation Session 1
October 23- Information Orientation Session 2
November 14- School "play date".
November 16- School "play date".



Contact the school on 95246842 for details about enrolment.

Upcoming events

- 6/6 Kindergarten local walk 2pm
- 11/6 Public holiday—Queen's Birthday
- 14/6 Regional Cross Country
- 18/6 Athletics carnival
- 22/6 SSSMF Junior Choir half day rehearsal a.m.
- 26/6 K-2 Gymnastics last day
- 27/6 SSSMF Senior Choir half day rehearsal a.m.
- 28/6 Parents as Partners Session 9.30am
- cyber safety
- 29/6 K-2 Responsible Pet ownership visit
- 6/7 Last day of Term 2
- 24/7 Students return first day Term 3



Scholastic Bookclub Issue 4 has been distributed to students this week. Please note that all orders must be made online by 20 June 2018. The school is no longer able to accept or process any cash orders.



2/3S searching for angles

