

Thank you and congratulations from Ms Orlovich



As the year draws to an end I have been reflecting on the year of learning and growth at Miranda North and feel immensely proud of our students and staff. I know many of you will be coming along to the Presentation Evening on Tuesday 11 December at 7:00pm. We look forward to sharing and celebrating our achievements of 2018 with the wider school community. Yearly reports for students will be distributed at the end of week 9 and you are encouraged to discuss your child's report with them, identifying their achievements and encouraging their work towards their future goals.

We look forward to seeing many parents and carers at the Christmas celebration afternoon on Tuesday 18 December, 2018 from 2pm. Thank you to families in anticipation of their donations to the John Franklin Christmas lunch. Donations may be brought to school on the morning of Tuesday 18 December. No perishables or items that can easily melt as the weather is likely to be warm.

To all of our students and their families, I wish you all a very safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you on return to school in 2019. Thank you for your support of our school throughout the year.

With warmest regards,

Sue Orlovich

Principal

A farewell message from Mr Meades

Parents/Carers, Girls and Boys,

Recently I made the decision to retire as a permanent teacher.

I've had the great pleasure of teaching at Miranda North P.S. for the last 26 years (nearly ¾ of my career).

During those times I have enjoyed working with outstanding colleagues, developed positive relationships with parents and carers and of course, facilitated the education of the fabulous children at Miranda North.

I leave with lasting, fond memories of a wonderful school community that exists here, particularly for the way that the parents and carers have brought up their children and given me support and trust where needed.

I also feel most confident in the future of Miranda North P.S. with such a dynamic staff and superb leadership currently in operation.

May all of you have an enjoyable and peaceful break coming up.

Please make sure you say hello if you see me out and about. Thanks again.

Steve Meades

2019 Staff updates

Mr Meades' Assistant Principal position will be filled early in the new school year. We also have some staff returning from leave in 2019 and re-joining the Miranda North community and will also welcome a new permanent staff member, replacing Mr Ford who retired earlier this year. To that end, we acknowledge and thank the staff who will complete their temporary contracts at Miranda North at the end of the year. Mrs Edwards, Mrs Druce, Mrs Choice and Mrs Alderman each have contributed to our school throughout 2018 as either classroom teachers or support teachers and we thank them for their wonderful contribution to Miranda North in 2018.

Upcoming events

5/12 Year 6	Farewell Club	Cronulla
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7/12 Last day of Term 4 sport program Helpers morning tea

- 11/12 Last day of K-2 swimming
- 11/12 Presentation Evening Caringbah Baptist Church
- 12/12 Symbio Wildlife park excursion 1/2
- 12/12 Band "try outs" for 2019 band
- 13/12 Year 6 Gala Day
- 14/12 Calmsley Hill City Farm Kinder Excursion
- 18/12 Giving Tree and Christmas Performance
- 19/12 Last day of school for students and staff
- 29/1 2019 School resumes for staff
- 30/1 School resumes for students
- 21/2 Swimming Carnival Caringbah Pool

Great news! 2 of our teaching staff receive an award

We are so very proud of Ms Mitsoulis and Mrs O'Connell who each received a teaching award at the Sutherland Network Awards evening last week. Recognised for their contribution to leading the learning of other staff members in our school community, Mrs O'Connell and Ms Mitsoulis were very honoured and proud to be presented with such an award. It was wonderful to have our staff recognised for their contribution to our school in leading learning. We are so very proud of you both!











^{*}Please note that no staff will be on site 20 or 21 Dec

Congratulations to our stage three students—a fabulous week at camp!

Our stage three students have returned with leadership skills they developed at camp and a maturity that is making us proud. Our teachers enjoyed the week away with our students, seeing them face challenges and new adventures with such grit and determination. Well done stage three on the development of new learning qualities.





Our fabulous P and C canteen hold another special food day

Not even torrential rain could stop our P and C canteen from holding a hugely successful Hot Dog and drink day last week. It was a special treat for our students on what was a wet and windy school day. As this is the last special food day for the year, we say "thank you" to the wonderful team of volunteers who have provided for our students throughout the year. We are so lucky to have such dedicated support for our school.

Returning to school in 2019

School returns for students on Wednesday 30 January, 2019 in years 1 to 6. Kindergarten will commence on Monday 4 February. Please see the office before the end of the year if your child's return to school is going to be delayed so that you child's enrolment in 2019 can be included in the enrolment numbers for 2019.

New School app

Our new school app is now live and ready to use. We are keen to communicate regularly through the school, app and our new app has some improved features for keeping you up to date with school events and notifications.

Parking

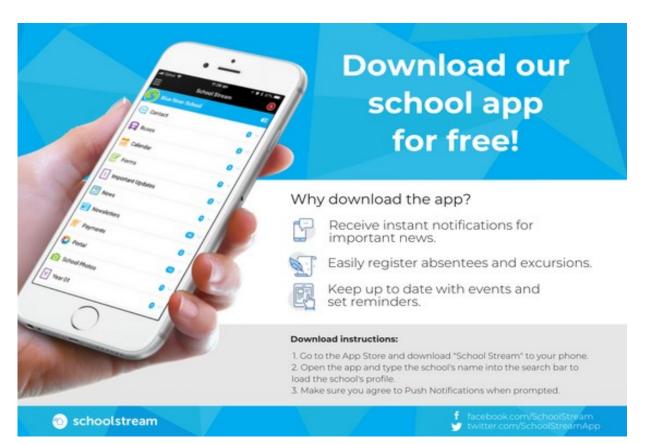
We value our school neighbours and the relationship we have with them. The mornings and afternoons can be very busy times around our school and we appreciate the awareness that our parent/carer community shows to our neighbours by ensuring that driveways are kept clear during drop off and pick up times at school. Please ensure that the parking signs are adhered to around the school. Thank you for your co-operation and care towards our neighbours.

Library News

I can't believe it's already the end of the year! It's that time again to do a library stocktake and will need all the student's library books back. If your child receives an overdue note please pay for the lost book/s at the library so I can take if off your child's records. If the book turns up at home or in the library, you will be refunded. If any parents are available to assist with the stocktake that would be great, as it is a huge job! Please do not hesitate to speak to me if you have any concerns over lost books. The first class who returns all their books will receive a Zooper Dooper iceblock each! Hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a nice break over summer.

Sue Atkins

Teacher/Librarian



END OF YEAR EVENTS AND CELEBRATION DAYS

We look forward to our community joining us for a number of events during the term and the end of year celebrations in the last weeks of school. Some important end of year dates for your calendar:

Year 6 Farewell: Wednesday 5 December at 6.30pm.

Venue: Club Cronulla

Helper's Morning Tea: Friday 7 December at 11.00am.

Join us for morning tea in our staffroom so we can thank you for your support of our school over the year.

Presentation Evening: <u>Tuesday 11 December at 7.00pm</u>.

Venue: Caringbah Baptist Church hall. All parents and carers are invited to attend with their children.

Giving Tree and Christmas Performances: <u>Tuesday 18 December at 2.00pm</u>

Year 6 final assembly: Wednesday 19 December at 2.00pm.

Last day of school for students and staff:

Wednesday 19 December, 2018.

2019 School Year

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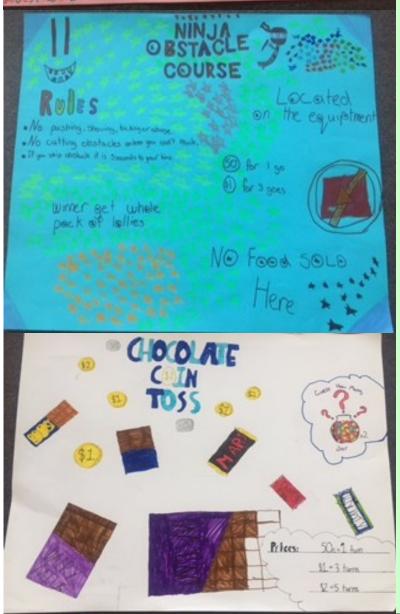


YEAR 6 GALA DAY





Stage 3 students have been busy preparing their stalls for our annual Gala day to be held next Thursday 13 December. There will be a variety of exciting things to choose from including hair spray, lucky dips, nerf target shooting and obstacle courses. The average price of an activity of \$1-\$2. Money will be collected on the morning of gala day and exchanged for tokens and cards.



Food Nerf Gun Targets Obstacle Course Hair & Beauty Trash & Treasure Water activities Chocolate Coin Toss Lucky Dips & loads more! Activities are \$1 - \$2 Money to be exchanged for tokens on the day

Congratulations to Ella and Olivia who were awarded the Girl Guides Australia, Junior BP Award on Monday night. This award is the highest award in the Guide movement and a real achievement for both students. Congratulations on your wonderful award. We are proud of you.











Year 2 had a special treat as a visitor from Japan came and taught us the art of Origami. Nobu brought with her some beautiful paper and told us all about Japan.

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Healthy * Active * Happy * Families

Join in the fun with **Go4Fun**. A free and fun healthy lifestyle program designed to help your family to become fitter, healthier and happier.

We are now taking registrations for **Term 1 2019** at **Flip Out Caringbah and Sutherland PCYC**.

Find out if your family is eligible by calling **1800 780 900** or **SMS 0409 745 645** for a call back.



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