

Miranda North Public School Newsletter



Father's Day stall success

A huge thank you to our P and C for the Father's Day Stall which was such a success on 31 August. There were many wonderful gifts on offer and excited students to choose something special. We hope that families enjoyed some special times with loved ones on the Father's Day weekend. Thanks P and C and helpers- you are wonderful!



Congratulations to Dakota!

Last Friday, Dakota attended the University of Technology in Sydney where she was awarded a Deadly Kids Doing Well Award.

Dakota received her award for her commitment to learning and for the development of learning dispositions including grit and confidence. Congratulations Dakota on your award.

We are so proud of you!



School leaders representing our school with pride

Last week our school leaders attended a special commemorative event recognising Battle for Australia day. This day recognises "the service and sacrifice of all those who served in defence of Australia in 1942 and 1943", in particular in the Battle of the Coral Sea, Battle of Milne Bay and Kokoda Track campaign. The Leaders placed a book on the cenotaph as a donation to the Miranda RSL club.



Planning for 2019

It is hard to believe that the final term is upon us! Planning has commenced for 2019 so if you are not planning to return to Miranda North in 2019, please notify the office so that enrolment numbers can be finalised and planning for classes undertaken. If parents and carers have specific information about their child that they wish to be taken into account when planning for classes takes place, please provide the information to the school office in writing. This information is treated with confidentiality. Many factors are taken into account when placing students into classes and whilst all information provided will be considered, specific requests may not be possible. Student learning and wellbeing needs are of the highest priority when placing students into classes and the staff works to build classes that promote a successful environment for learning.

Playground equipment safety

A safe play area is important to us all at Miranda North and the playground equipment provides a fun and engaging space for our students. During lunchtime, students are rostered to use the play equipment in grade groups on different days and are clear about the direction of their movement and appropriate usage of the different parts of the equipment.

Playground equipment safety continued

A teacher is also rostered to supervise this area. The equipment is not used on days where the ground is damp or windy days where the trees above may present a falling hazard.

After school, families sometimes choose to use the play equipment and it is wonderful to see the resource being shared with community. An accident occurred recently after school and we are keen to reduce the likelihood of any injury after school. A risk assessment of the play equipment has been undertaken in consultation with the Department of Education WHS consultant. Safety signs have been erected on the trees around the play equipment and parents/carers are asked to pay close attention to their children as they use the equipment and take note of the safety directions.

Students who are not accompanied by a parent/carers are not permitted to use the play equipment after school.

The school will continue to monitor the community use of the play equipment after school hours and make any adjustments to the risk management plan as necessary. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in keeping our students safe when using the equipment.



MIRANDA NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT SAFETY WARNING

This playground equipment is not supervised by school staff before or after school. Students, parents and carers using the equipment beware that injury can occur from falling if multiple users are climbing in close vicinity.

- Do not use equipment when wet.
- No running, pushing or shoving.
- Do not use play equipment improperly.
- No bare feet.
- Close adult supervision at all times is essential for safety.

PLEASE PLAY CAREFULLY.

Starting Kindergarten in 2019?

Our kindergarten transition program commences in week one, term 4, with our newest students visiting for their first time on Thursday 18 October at 9.30am. If you have a child eligible to enrol in 2019 please see the office as soon as possible for an enrolment for so that the enrolment can be finalised prior to the transition program commencing. We look forward to welcoming our new cohort of kindergarten students to school in 2019.



Early Birds Reading Program

Early Birds is a wonderful reading and writing program that has helped many Kindergarten children over the years at Miranda North school. If you can volunteer an hour of your time each week it would make a significant difference to students that would benefit from your help. If you would like to volunteer please fill out the slip further on in this newsletter and return it to the school office by Thursday 20 September. Training will be provided.

Congratulations 1/2B!

Congratulations 1/2B! Their film Mo's Moustache has been accepted into the Film by the Sea. The children have been invited to walk the red carpet on Wednesday 24 October at the Event Cinema Miranda. Tickets information will be sent home this week.



Our school reaches out to support the students at Tullamore Central School

With our state experiencing such significant drought, our stage three students are showing initiative and empathy by connecting with students from Tullamore Central School to offer support in their time of need. The school is in central western NSW, affected by the drought and is keen to make a "wellbeing centre" where their students can receive counselling and support. The room identified for the wellbeing centre is in need of a makeover and the staff is keen to make it a friendly and comfortable place for the students to relax and feel supported. Our school is going to make a contribution towards their wellbeing centre and our stage three students will communicate with them via our connected classroom technology. Students will be organising a donation day in early term 4, where our community will be invited to make a contribution which will go directly to the school. Keep a look out for further details and information from our stage three students in early term 4. Thanks stage three for your awareness and willingness to act for others.



Selection panel thank you

Thank you to Rebecca Abrook for acting as parent representative on the recent classroom teacher merit selection panel. Mrs Emily Sherwen was the successful candidate and pending the 10-day appeal period, will take up the position at the commencement of 2019. Mr Ford recently retired after a period of leave and that position will be filled by a central appointment for commencement in 2019.



Seeking feedback from the community

In early term 4, the school will be seeking feedback from the community on a range of issues as we prepare to evaluate the programs and activities we have offered this year. As well as some feedback of evaluation of programs, we will also seek input regarding starting/finishing times, uniform preferences and student wellbeing. We are keen to get as much feedback from as wide a section of our community as possible. The survey will be in the format of a survey monkey which is quick and easy to complete. Watch out for the links and please respond-we value your feedback!

Tell them from Me Survey

It is the time of year for our parent and carer input into *Tell Them From Me*. This survey allows us to gauge how things are going for our students in relation to learning, wellbeing, effective teaching practices and classroom climate, and other factors known to affect learning outcomes. Information is captured from students, parents and teachers to inform school policy and practice. Surveys are conducted twice during the year, in Terms 1 and 3. Further details to follow in our next newsletter.

Coles Sport for Schools

A big thank you to our school community for collecting Coles dockets. Our sport for school rewards have arrived and we are so excited to start using the wonderful new sports equipment. A special thank you to Miss Dribbus and the parent helpers that helped to coordinate the collection of dockets and ordering the new equipment.



Library News

Thank you so much for all the kind book donations to the library during and after Education Week, they were very much appreciated and I'm sure the students enjoyed the opportunity to be the first to borrow the book and have their name in the front. There are a few still getting covered if your child is waiting to borrow their donated books.

The following student's names were drawn from all the students who donated books and following have won a prize:

5/6M - Ella B

5/6S - Brianna W

4/5NK - Chase

3/4D - Eliza W

3/4M - Cooper H

2/3S - Alex S

2O - Zane L

1/2B - Taj F

1C - Summer K

1D - Imogen H

KE - Lily S

KF - Jack A

KMN - Alecia P

Oz Tag Gala Day

Well done to our senior boys and girls oztag teams who represented Miranda North at the Sutherland Shire Gala Day last week. You all played magnificently! A special congratulations to our boys team, who made it all the way to the semi-finals. Although we didn't come out victorious on the points board, you were all victorious in attitude and team work.



Upcoming events

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| 14/9 | Book club orders due |
| 17/9 | Public speaking finals—Sylvania Heights P.S. |
| 26/9 | Canteen Meal deal—Sushi Day |
| 28/9 | Last day of Term 3 |



Kurranulla



Congratulations to our dance groups who performed well at the Kurranulla competition last Tuesday evening. Each group performed magnificently and our year 3 and 4 boys were awarded gold and senior girls' and senior boys' groups achieved silver. It was the first time that some of our students had danced on such a large stage and our students made the school (and many parents!) very proud!



GAMES-A-THON

Students enjoyed participating in the 13 fun filled stations during the Games-a-thon yesterday. Congratulations to everyone for their stellar effort in completing the course. The team that accrued the most points were rewarded with an ice block and our P and C provided a great snack canteen on the day. Students are now collecting their sponsor donations and bringing them to school. The class that raises the most funds will enjoy a special reward, a fabulous pizza party!



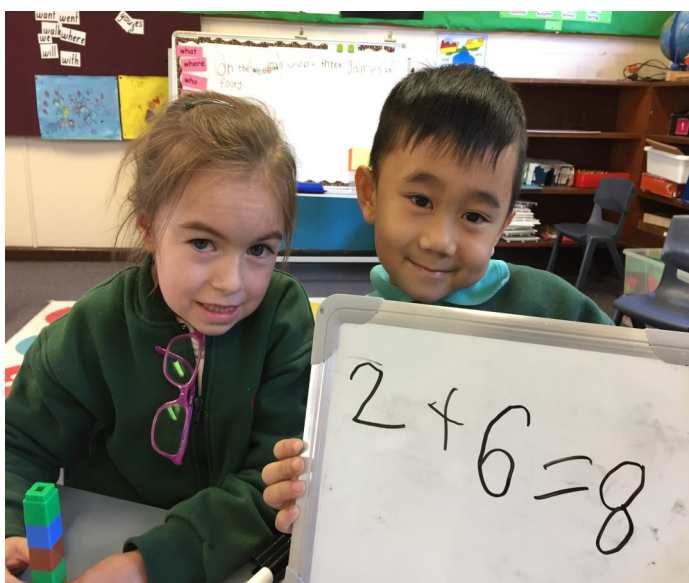
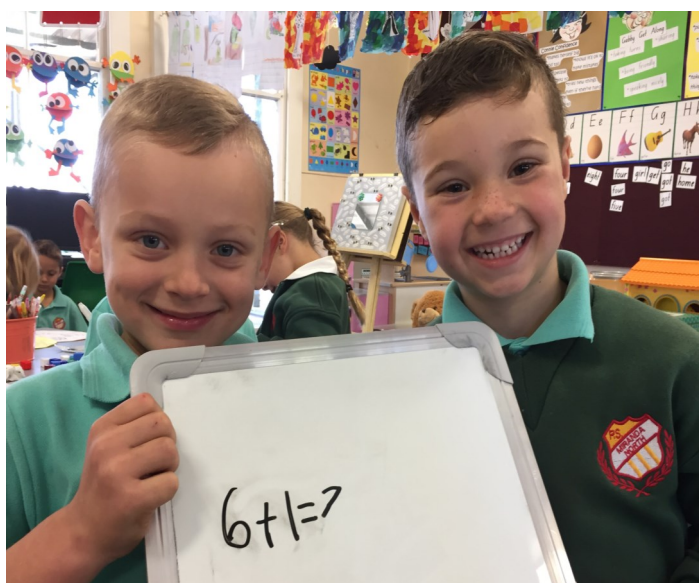
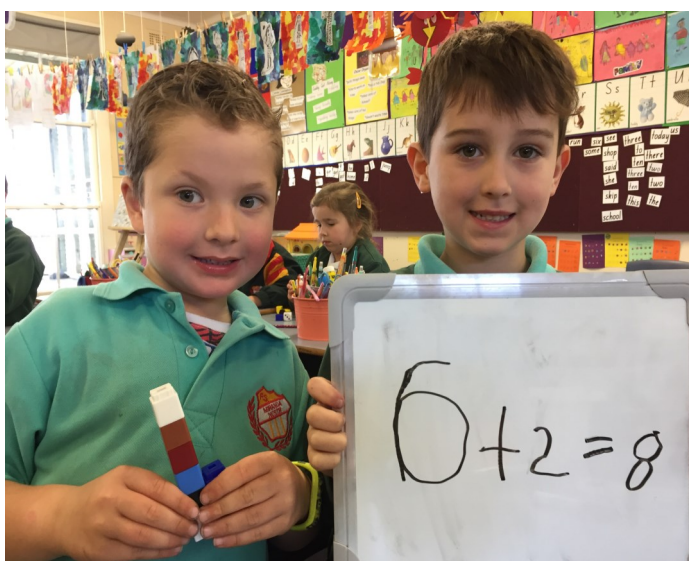
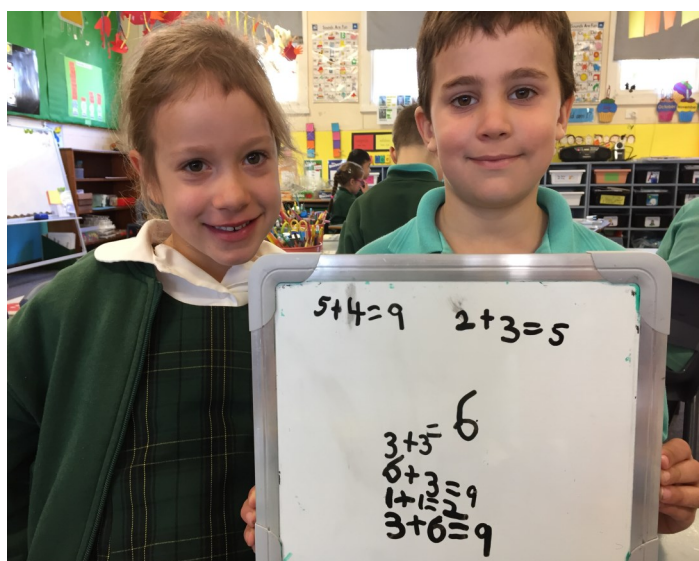
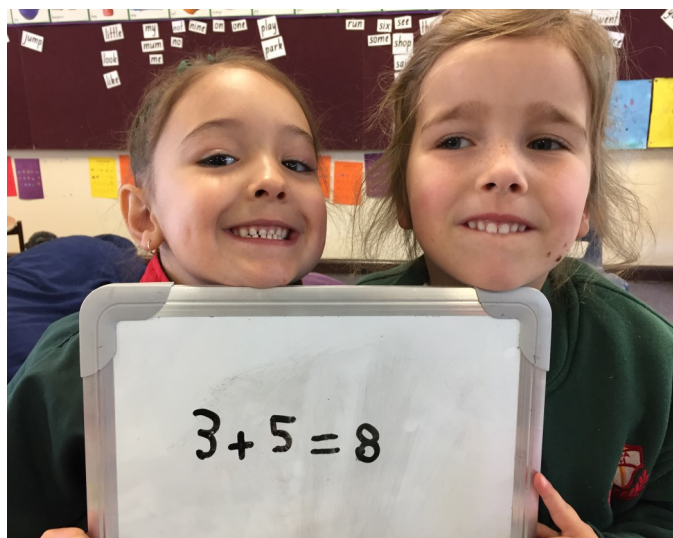
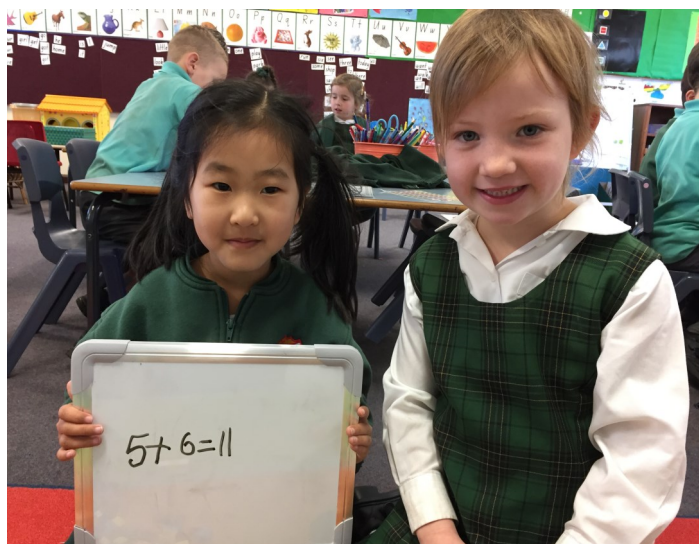
Stage 1 Buddy Reading and 1D outdoor learning

Here are some photos of Stage One who have buddied up for reading to improve their fluency and comprehension.

1D take their geography lesson outside to learn about Managed features in their Built and Natural Environments topic. They sketched the school playground and then went back to class to design their own. This week in class, 1D are making 3D models of their ideal parks.



KMN have been spending lots of hands on time learning about numbers that combine together. Students use dice, counters, ten frames and games to work mathematically and solve problems. We have lots of budding mathematicians ready for year 1 in our midst!



Parents, Grandparents and Miranda North Community Members:

Kindergarten Early Birds Program

If you can
volunteer an hour
of your time each
week, we'd love
your help!



Early Birds is a
wonderful Reading and
Writing program that
has helped many
Kindergarten children
over the years at
Miranda North.

If you can help please fill out the attached slip and return it to the office by Thursday 20th September, 2018. This program will run in Term 4, 2018.

Yes! I can help with the Kindergarten Early Birds Program in Term 4, which runs from Weeks 2-8, Term 4.

My Name: _____

Name/Class of my child/grandchild: _____
(Name) (Class)

Contact Phone Number: _____

Contact Email: _____

Days and times I am available: _____

☐ I am willing to work on more than one day. (Please tick)



MIRANDA NORTH P & C SPECIAL CANTEEN EVENT

Sushi and Drink Special \$6.00 Wednesday 26th September

The P & C are running a special food day on Wednesday the 26th of September.

We have our in-house Chef, Brett creating homemade sushi hand rolls with your choice of filling and a popper drink for **\$6.00**. **Additional rolls can be ordered separately for \$3.50 each.**

Please clearly write your child's name and class and their preferences on the below order form with the correct money and put in the **BLACK P&C BOX** located in the school office.

***Please let us know if your child is in the school band as we need to make their lunch orders first.**

Money and order form to be received no later than Friday the 21st September – Thank you. NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED AS WE ARE MAKING THEM FRESH ON THE DAY.

CUT ALONG HERE AND RETURN TO SCHOOL IN A SEALED ENVELOPE THANK YOU

NAME OF STUDENT:		
CLASS:		PLEASE TICK IF YOU ARE YOU IN BAND

FILLINGS:

Qty

COMBO DEAL IS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CHOICES PLUS A DRINK AND A SOY SAUCE	
Tuna & Mayo	
Chicken Schnitzel and Avocado	
Plain Shredded BBQ Chicken	
Vegetarian – Cucumber, Carrot and Lettuce	
ADDITIONAL ROLL @ \$3.50 EACH	
Tuna & Mayo	
Chicken Schnitzel and Avocado	
Plain Shredded BBQ Chicken	
Vegetarian – Cucumber, Carrot and Lettuce	
APPLE JUICE or	
ORANGE JUICE or	
BOTTLE OF WATER	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

'CHICKS AT THE FLICKS'

6.30pm for a 7pm movie start

Cronulla Cinemas

SOLD OUT!

Thank you to everyone who has supported the P and C, buying a ticket to our 'Chicks at the Flicks' movie night. We are all looking forward to a fun night. There is still some time left if you would like to donate a prize for our raffle, we are taking donations right up until Friday. Thank you to Atlas Kitchens at Taren Point for kindly donating a free small popcorn to every ticketholder!



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Endeavour Sports High School wins secondary school of the year award at the Australia Education Awards 2018

Eva Kollmar

Education



Endeavour Sports High School has won a major award in the education sector.

The co-educational Caringbah high school received the 'secondary school of the year (government)' award at this year's Australian Education Awards.

The awards were held on August 17 at Dockside, Cockle Bay in Sydney.

They bring together principals, department heads and industry leaders to celebrate excellence in K-12 education.

Principal James Kozlowski says it is a 'massive achievement' for the school.

"To be the first high school in Australia to win this award is an incredible achievement, not only for the school but for the entire Shire community.," he said.

"This highly prestigious award is recognition of the dedication and achievement of staff and students.

"It acknowledges the high expectations environment we have created that fosters academic, cultural and sporting success.

"We deserve to celebrate this distinction and we will use it as further inspiration for years to come."

Endeavour was judged on having consistently high standards of teaching and learning, academic and other achievements during the 2017 school year, rigorous professional learning to improve teaching and curriculum delivery, strong communication links with students, parents, teachers and the wider community, effective management of facilities, finances and human resources, and demonstrated commitment to innovation and continuous improvement.



National recognition: Endeavour Sports High School principal James Kozlowski accepts the award.

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- 4 Students take on Oceans18 exhibition
- 5 Westfield local heroes announced
- 6 'Chumster' battles city's train system chaos to head to Kiama

FAMILY FUN DAY

at the New South Wales Parliament
October School Holidays!

FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER
10 AM TO 3 PM



Sausage
Sizzle
\$3.00
per person

**Free fun educational activities
at Australia's oldest Parliament
for children from 4 to 12 years.**

Follow the children's trail; enter the guessing competition, participate in the arts and crafts; visit the historic legislative chambers places rarely open to the public. Engage with roving historical characters and celebrate the 100 year anniversary of women becoming eligible for election to parliament and admittance to the legal profession in NSW.

**FREE ENTRY
Activities**

10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Location

6 Macquarie Street –
opposite Martin Place

**The public café
will be open.**



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