

Miranda North Public School Newsletter

Week 2 Term 4



Principal's Report

It was lovely to return to the school last week having been traveling through Canada over the last month. I had the opportunity to work with the University of BC and the University of Ottawa looking at the education systems in their provinces, Indigenous Education and Leadership. Several of the days were also spent visiting schools in Vancouver and Ottawa. It is pleasing to recognise that we in Miranda North PS and the NSW System in general is equal and in some ways even leading in the teaching and learning that occurs elsewhere.

Over the past 2 weeks we have had several Miranda North students perform at exceptionally high levels in music and sport. Congratulations to Alex S who performed at the Conservatorium of Music as part of Sydney Southwest Symphonic Winds. Lilly-Grace R whose team won the Australian Oz Tag championships for her age group. Congratulations to Jael M and Cruz C who have been selected in the Oz Tag City team to compete in November. We also congratulate Ben G, Kyan R and Austin P who competed in the PSSA State competition for Cricket. The boys had been selected in the Sydney East Team and finished 4th overall. We have many students who are achieving great things across all facets of their educational lives and we are proud of all of them.

Thank you to Mrs Butterfield for her leadership while I was on leave and for all the work the staff continue to do to make this school one that offers quality schooling for the whole child. This week we will hold our first Kinder Orientation program for the 2023 cohort. We have almost 50 students attending Miranda North next year. If you know of a student turning 5 in 2023 in our school catchment area, who is not enrolled, please encourage them to do so. We have 3 more sessions this term. Wednesday 26 October, Wednesday 2 November and Wednesday 16 November.

Selective High School Applications

Applications are now open for selective high school entry in Year 7 in 2024. Applications close 16 November 2022. Please see further information in this newsletter and on our school app.

K-2 Swimming and 3-6 Swimming - Clothing and footwear

I wish to clarify this aspect in the notes that previously went home and emphasise that all students must wear suitable attire to walk to the pool. Footwear needs to enclose the foot. Thongs and any other footwear that does not cover the toes is not acceptable. We do not want students to be injured on the walk to and from the pool. All students must wear a shirt and shorts/skirt or a hooded towel to walk to and from the pool. This is a child protection issue and ensuring each and every child's privacy from the general public walking and driving past the students.

Tag League Gala Day

Years 3—6 will compete next Tuesday in the Cronulla League Tag Gala Day. This is a non-competitive event to encourage students to participate in League Tag. A note has gone home earlier and thank you to everyone who has already paid. If you require any further information please contact the school.

Hockey Gala Day

The school has two junior and two senior team attending the Hockey Gala day on November 1 at Sylvania Hockey Fields. Mr Angus will be taking the teams and coaching them throughout the day. It should be a lot of fun. As their note highlights they will need shin guards and a mouth guard. The School will have enough hockey sticks available.

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Jellybeans Music

A special experience for K-2 students has been organised for Monday 14 November. The Jellybeans Music incursion will bring a blast of music energy and fun. There is no cost for this one off experience.

The Jellybeans Music Incursion enables students to explore their creative side with each class composing their own music. The school hopes to offer this as a weekly program in 2023. The program would run for 8-10 weeks at a cost of \$4.00 per week (\$32-\$40) one of the questions in the Parent Survey below asks about additional programs that the school could include.

The annual Parent Survey for Tell Them From Me was opened this week. Below is a link that you can use to access the survey. This survey is an important means of gathering feedback for the school and looking at future directions as well. The data from Tell Them From Me Surveys are presented in the Annual Report for the school that is produced and accessible on the school website.

Tell them from Me Parent Survey <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/4122parentsurvey>

The Open Response Questions are:

"Please tell us some of the things you really like about your school or things that would make it even better."

"Parental engagement is very important for the school. The school would like to run parent sessions. What topics would be of interest? Some suggestions may include:- Seven steps to writing success; Essential Assessment; Decodable Readers."

I hope that you will take the time to provide feedback through this survey.

P & C Walk-a- thon 9 November

Students will participate in a School Walk-a-thon to raise money for playground improvements. Sponsorship cards will be sent home tomorrow.



Sporting activities



This term years 3—6 will be participating in Friday sport at PSSA Cricket, 5Sports Soccer , Gym at NSW Academy of Gymnastics, school sport and Swimming at Starting Blocks.

Every Tuesday K-2 are swimming at Starting Blocks!

We have a 3-6 Tag League Gala Day next week and a Hockey Gala day coming up in November.



Sydney East Cricket

During week 1, Ben, Kyan and Austin represented the Sydney East cricket team at the NSW PSSA State Championships which were held in Dubbo. The boys played some wonderful cricket with Sydney East finishing 4th overall. Kyan, Ben and Austin had a fantastic week away as they got to play against the best young cricketers in the state, even getting to play on turf wicket for the first time. Congratulations on such an amazing achievement, Miranda North are very proud of you all.

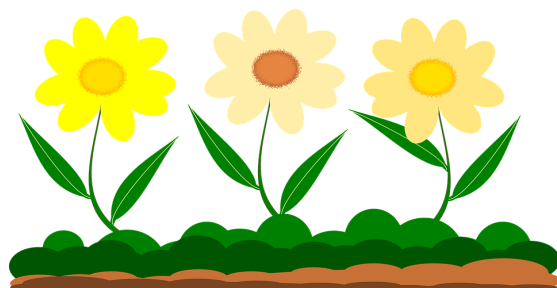


Upcoming events

25 Oct	Oz Tag Gala Day Years 3—6
26 Oct	Kindergarten 2023 Orientation Session 2—2.00pm
1 Nov	Hockey Gala Day
2 Nov	Kinder Play Session 2.15pm
3 Nov	Dance 2bfit—Stage 3 commences
9 Nov	P&C Walk-a-thon
11 Nov	Remembrance Day
16 Nov	Kinder Play Session 2.15pm
16-18 Nov	Stage 3 Camp Narrabeen
29 Nov	High School Orientation Day
30 Nov	Grandparents Day
6 Dec	K-2 Swimming last day
7 Dec	Stage 3 Gala Day
8 Dec	Dance 2bfit—Stage 3 final day
13 Dec	Year 6 farewell - Club Cronulla
14 Dec	Christmas concert
15 Dec	Presentation Day
16 Dec	Year 6 clap out—last day of school for students
19 & 20 Dec	Staff development days



Our Enviro Heroes and Mrs Whitmore hard at work painting stepping stones for the school sensory garden.



Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2024

Please customise if you wish to use this Intention to apply note to parents.

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2024, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply and the link to the online form will be available in early-October 2022 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

Applications open on 18 October 2022 and close on 16 November 2022. You must apply before the closing date.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 4 May 2023**.

The tear-off slip below is **NOT** an application, it is advice to the school that you intend to apply. The school **CANNOT** apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by _____.

THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL.

This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY GO TO THE ONLINE FORM AT: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>

----- Cut here and return the note below to the school -----

Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2024

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in Year 7 in 2024 for my child through the Selective Education Unit website between 18 October 2022 and 16 November 2022. I am aware that this is not an application and that the school cannot apply on my behalf.

Signature of parent/carers: _____

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Grow Your Mind @MNPS Week



In Weeks 1 and 2 we will be learning about:

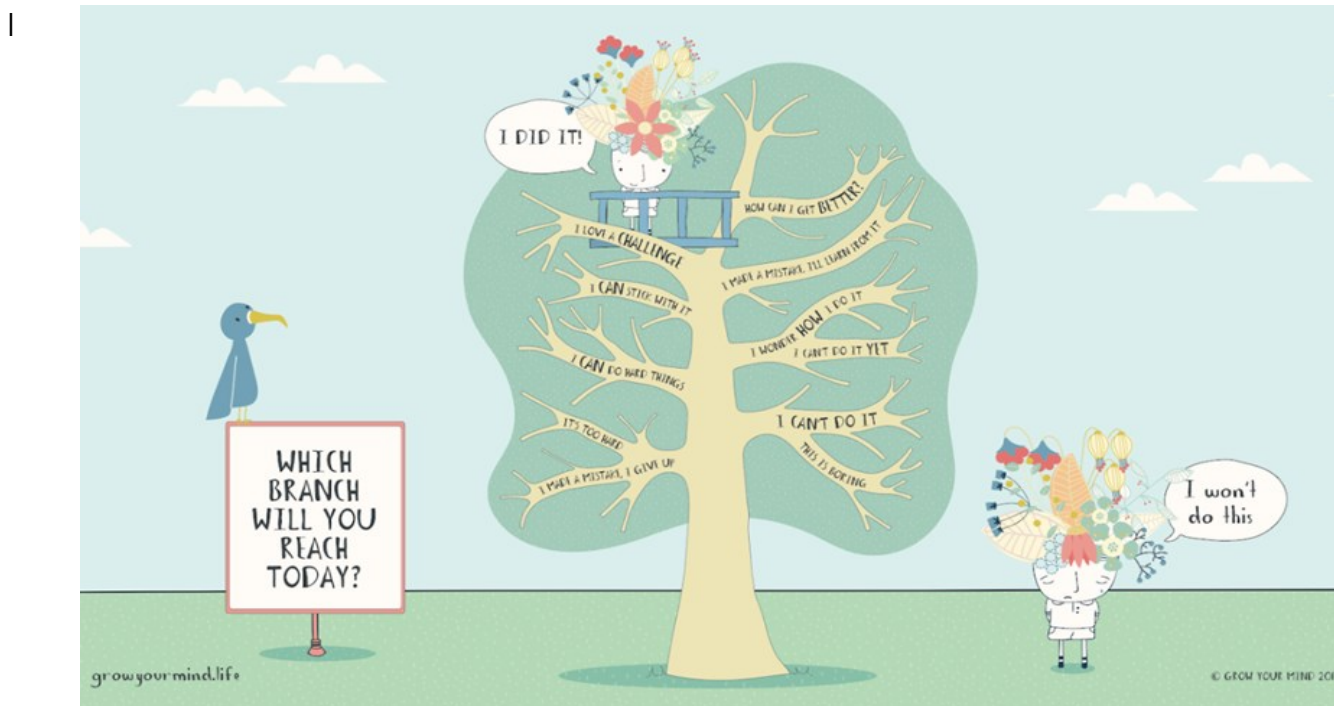
Mindset and the different mindsets we can adopt throughout life.

We are also learning that trying new things can be uncomfortable AND that our Guard Dog sometimes stops us from trying new things, just in case we fail.

We are learning about what a benefit mindset and growth mindset means.

We will be looking at the Growth Mindset Tree and thinking about which branch we reach each day. A mindset is a collection of thoughts and beliefs that shape our habits. We are trying to develop growth mindset learners. This is because a growth mindset helps us to learn and try new things.

We will also be learning about a Being of Benefit Mindset and discussing and brainstorming how we can be kind and help others at school, home and in the community. Did you know that helping others has a positive impact on your own wellbeing as well as the wellbeing of others.



Kindest Regards

Mrs Lawson

Assistant Principal

**NOV
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4-9PM



FRENCH FEST

@ TAREN POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL

MUSIQUE, PIQUE-NIQUE, FANTASTIQUE!

LIMITED TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

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