

# Miranda North Public School Newsletter

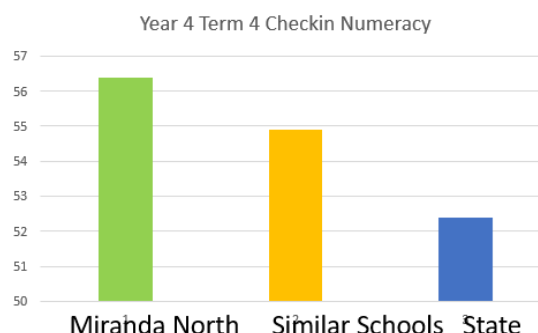
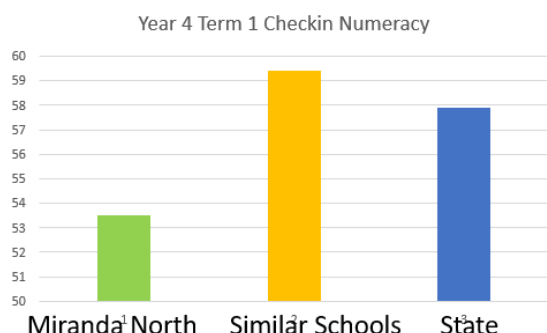
## Week 6 Term 4



### Principal's Report

As we pass the half way mark of term 4 the school continues to be very active in all fields. Classes are working hard, assessments, both formative and summative are being conducted and concepts within their stages of learning continue to be explored. Teachers are working on student reports that will be sent home on Friday 9 December. We have many activities coming up including Grandparent's Day on Wednesday, 30 November with a concert starting at 9.45am, Gala Day, Year 6 Farewell and Presentation Day. Please see upcoming dates further in this newsletter.

The school has seen excellent growth in student performances, data was presented to the P&C meeting last week. Check-in Assessments for year 4 and 6 show significant growth across 2022. Although all grades completed the Department of Education Check-in Assessments recently, only Year 4 and 6 completed the assessments in term 1. However clearly the growth in academic performance for both groups has been consistent in both Reading and Numeracy. Year 3 and 5 results show that we sit above the state average in these assessments. It is however the ability to look at the performance of the students across the two assessments in Year 4 and 6 that show the movement from below state average to above with a growth of around 6-8 %. The Graphs below are for Numeracy for Term 1 and 4. The data is Term 4 scores.



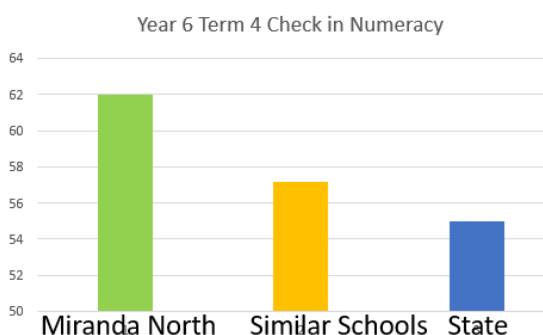
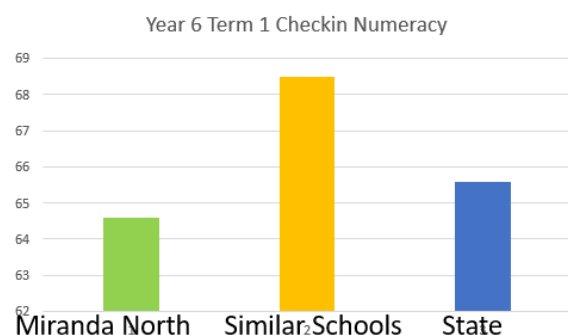
Term 4  
Year 4

School  
65.4

State  
63.7

Difference  
1.7% +

Growth  
6.1%



Term 4  
Year 6

School  
68.1

Similar Schools  
63.3

State  
60.8

Difference  
7.3% +

Growth  
8.3

## Principal's Report continued

This is supported by the pre and post assessments that the school conducts with our math groups across all year 3-6 classes. The differentiation of learning within classes is providing the opportunity for students to be catered for both in scaffolded learning support and high potential and gifted students.

In 2022 three of our year 6 students received offers to their first choice for selective high school whilst the Opportunity Class offers recently revealed that we had one student offered a position and two students placed on the reserve list. A very good outcome for our school.

### Tell Them From Me Survey Results

Recently the survey closed and has been analysed. The parent survey saw 50 responses from our community. Several themes came through the survey responses and we will use these to look at how we can improve the experience at Miranda North and serve our community. Sadly, we have significantly underperformed according to the measures in the survey of Parents which are represented below.



## Principal's Report continued

Results from the Student surveys were far more positive. Strong rises in the trend lines for 'Sense of Belonging' and good growth for 'Values School Outcomes, Positive Behaviour and Interest and Motivation'. The trend for Bullying is also positive as there was no recorded rise for the respondents and it is significantly below the state average.



With the return from restrictions it is good to see significant participation in sport and extracurricular activities. In 2023 we will continue the PSSA sport program which is competitive but also ensure that we have Gala Day programs which are all about involvement. We utilised the Australian Sporting Schools program that provide opportunities for learning about other sports, such as this year's hockey program and the Frisbee program. We will continue to participate in this program in 2023.

The school will have a dedicated Visual Arts program operating as part of the teachers release from face-to-face teaching. As the school looks at all high performance and gifted students across all cohorts enhancing the schools teaching to ensure we are providing opportunities and catering to the needs of our students.

### Update on maintenance and playground upgrades.

This program has been a long time through completion, significantly affected by weather. The asphalt works are nearly finished with the final areas due to be laid during the Christmas holidays, between buildings and the asphalt leading to the grass area. Drainage works will also be completed to address flooding issues at school. New playground markings have been installed on the asphalt area nearest the road for the K/1 students with a further installation under the COLA coming in the next few weeks.

Covered Walkways will also be completed before the end of the school year. The roofing contractor is due to start next week with deliveries of material. Although the school had little to do with the positioning of walkways, it will provide a significant improvement for getting around the school. As a result of this work, we will also have a sheltered area for student bikes at the back of the 3/4 classrooms.

## Miranda North Public School Grandparent's Day

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to celebrate the special bond that exists between the children and their grandparents by hosting a special event just for them. Each child is encouraged to invite their grandparents to school to participate in a special program.

**When:** Wednesday 30 November 2022  
**Time:** Concert commences 9.45 am  
**Items:** 3 Dance Groups, School Band, Choir  
and a 2022 Kindergarten item

**Where:** Our Concert will be held under the COLA in the playground. Followed by morning tea served to all grandparents in the hall and finally open classrooms

**Conclusion:** approximately 11.45am

We look forward to meeting your child's grandparents and can't wait to have them participate in our special event.

Please note: Morning Tea will comprise tea, coffee, water or orange juice and a slice of cake. The Morning Tea will be served by our Year 5 and 6 students and our support staff. Tables and Chairs will be arranged around the hall.

Miranda North PS Staff



## Remembrance Day





## League Tag Gala Day



**Well done to all the students who participated in the years 3—6 League Tag Gala Day which was held at Engadine last week**

## Jelly Beans Music

K-2 classes participated in the Jelly Bean Music incursion, a wonderful percussion instrument experience with the students trying glockenspiels, tambourines, triangles, castanets and woodblocks.





## Congratulations Tommy, Buddy, Saxon and Vini!

Sutherland Sharks Football Club recently held trials to select their 2023 representative teams. There were hundreds of kids who came along for the trials and 4 Miranda North students have been selected.

Congratulations to Buddy, Saxon, Vini and Tommy on their selection in these teams. It is a huge achievement being selected to play at this level and the entire school is incredibly proud of you all.



## Well done Ava!

We applaud Ava for her recent success at the Little Athletics State Relay Championships held at Homebush.

Ava's team came first in the 4 x 100m relay.

Congratulations Ava we are very proud of your determination and dedication, what an amazing achievement!



## Well done Harley!

Last week Harley played for the NSW Touch Football team in Wagga Wagga. Harley and his teammates finished in first place and are now the Australian champions.

He also received the coaches award for the way he conducted himself and played throughout the week.

Congratulations Harley!



## Upcoming events

16-18 Nov	Stage 3 Camp Narrabeen
29 Nov	High School Orientation Day
30 Nov	Grandparent's Day
6 Dec	K-2 Swimming last day
7 Dec	Stage 3 Gala Day
8 Dec	K-2 Symbio Excursion
	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



**NOV  
26  
2022  
4-9PM**

**FRENCH FEST**  
@ TAREN POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL  
**MUSIQUE, PIQUE-NIQUE, FANTASTIQUE!**

LIMITED TICKETS ON SALE NOW!  
PURCHASE ONLINE \$20 EACH CHILDREN FREE  
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/french-fest-tickets-430037161727>

**FAMILY EVENT - FRENCH MUSIC & FOOD  
FREE JUMPING CASTLES & FACE PAINTING**



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