Miranda North Public School Newsletter Week 4, Term 2

Principal's Report

We are heading towards the middle of Term 2 and the weather has certainly cooled down. We are seeing a lot of clothing in lost property without names. Please ensure you have your child's name on all clothing items. I would like to also welcome our new families that have started at MNPS this term. There have been 6 new students that began over the last two weeks. Our Kinder tours concluded last week with a strong showing for enrolment in 2026. Due to the Department's enrolment cap for Miranda North PS, we are not able to accept out of area students however there is no restriction on the number of in area students. On projected numbers, the school will most likely reduce to 10 classes in 2026.

SISA Athletics

The SISA Athletics program on a Monday has been running for 3 weeks. Notes for the program were released several weeks before the holidays, however approximately a quarter of families have not paid for the program. This week, students who had not paid remained with a teacher from their stage.

Unfortunately, the school is not in a position to pay for programs. If not enough families engage in the programs, then we will not be able to continue to offer these programs to students. In Term 3, the school offers the Jellybeans Music program for all K-6 students. The note for this program will be coming out soon. If your family is not participating in the program, please indicate on the note so that we can adjust or cancel the program.

Please be aware that the additional programs offered at school are supplementary to the school curriculum. Currently the school is hosting the SISA Athletics program on a Monday. Any student/family that pays for the SISA program will be able to participate from the next session.

Assets work

Over the next few weeks, Miranda North PS will see the painting of window frames, eaves, entries and some external classroom walls commence. Additionally, the gutters on the Administration building, 5/6M, OOSH building and the Stage 2 building are all being replaced. Finally, from early June, the Canteen is having some work done to replace internal wall linings, the floor and the roller shutter. This work will mean that Kindergarten will move rooms for 2 weeks to the spare demountable opposite OOSH. Canteen will operate out of the back of the Kindergarten room.

School Reports

The Semester One Reports will come home in Week 10 this term. The Department of Education has created a new template for schools to use. We have modified the report format that was used last year to be consistent with the template however in English and Mathematics, used a check a box to try and provide more information on how your child is performing in these areas. There is still a comment about their achievements and future directions for their learning. One notable change is in the grading, removing the word Sound (C) and replacing it with Expected. The grade is still C but clearly highlights that it is where a student is expected to be with their learning in the grade.

Southern Stars Dance

The Southern Stars Dance Group have started to learn their routine along with Heathcote East PS. This year they will be videoed so that other schools are able to start learning the routine. When we come to the performances in August, many students will be very busy as they also have Senior Choir or the 4/5 Dance to perform on the Monday and Tuesday.

Two former students, Emilia and Emily who performed last year in Southern Stars will be back in 2025 this time in a singing capacity as feature artists. We look forward to being there with them.

Principal's Report ... continued

School times

It has been noted that we have a number of students arriving very early in the morning. This may be because the child has decided to walk to school early to meet friends or it may be for other reasons. I must highlight that our school does not have supervision of the students before 8.55. This means that these early students are in the school grounds unsupervised. Classes commence with lines at 9.20 am.

Your support in ensuring that your children are not arriving to school before 8.55am is greatly appreciated. OOSH is available for any families that need care in the mornings.

Collection of students - Home Time

There have been an increasing number of High School students coming to collect younger siblings at home time. Unfortunately, they are riding e-bikes, scooters and acting quite unsafe within our school grounds while they wait. I remind all families that no one is to be riding inside of the school grounds. There are many students and families in these spaces and all are trying to get out of the pedestrian gates safely. If you have organised for an older sibling to collect your child from the school, they need to wait outside the gates if they have their bikes or scooters. If they are collecting and walking home, then they should wait at the front areas of the school. Please do not move up to the COLA or use the toilet areas. This is for current school students ONLY.

Two young students achieving success in their chosen endeavours

We're so proud of our students Jai and Khaliif who competed in the NSW Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Federation Autumn Cup on Sunday!

Jai, competing in the 6 year old division, showed great determination and earned a bronze medal! Khaliif, competing in the 8 year old division, demonstrated fantastic skill and took home a silver medal!

Well done, boys - your hard work and sportsmanship are an inspiration to us all!





We acknowledge the traditional custodians of country throughout Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging, for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the nation.



What's On - Term 2 - Weeks 4-6

Mondays - SISA K-6 Sport

Thursdays - K-2 Gymnastics

Fridays - PSSA

Week 4

Friday 23 May - PSSA cancelled due to the weather

Week 5

Monday 26 May - K-2 Assembly (run by 1/2C)

Spelling Bee class semi finals

Reconciliation Walk

SRC Ice Cream Day (please bring \$2)

Tuesday 27 May - Spelling Bee class semi finals

Wednesday 28 May - Spelling Bee class semi finals

Week 6

Monday 2 June - Whole School Assembly

Friday 6 June - Cronulla Zone PSSA Workshop- Writing Welcome to Country

'Grow Your Mind' at MNPS Week 4



This week at MNPS we had the pleasure of the creators of Grow Your Mind, our school wellbeing program, Kristina Freeman and Alice Peel, visit MNPS.

Stage 2 and Stage 3 participated in some engaging and interactive workshops. These workshops were to celebrate the launch of their book 'How to Be a Good Enough Kid'.

The workshops were enjoyed by all students and teachers.

You may like to ask your child what they have learned in the workshops.

Workshop Themes

Stage 2: Challenging Unhelpful Thinking & Building Resilience

Playful and hands-on analogies to challenge unhelpful thinking styles Understanding what resilience is (and what it isn't!)

Developing a growth mindset and strategies for emotional regulation



Stage 3: Replacing Screen Time with Green Time

Evidence-based strategies to balance technology use with nature and movement Exploring the benefits of curiosity and kindness as a daily habit

If you would like to know more about Grow Your Mind click on this link.

Grow Your Mind - Awareness of mental health through education





School Calendar - Term 2 2025

Week 4	19/5 SISA K-6 Sport Whole School Assembly Book Club orders due!	20/5 Southern Stars Rehearsal - Heathcote East PS	21/5	22/5 K-2 Gymnastics (cancelled due to weather)	23/5 PSSA (cancelled due to weather)
Week 5	26/5 SISA K-6 Sport K-2 Assembly (run by 1/2C) Spelling Bee Semi Finals Reconciliation Walk SRC Ice cream Day (\$2)	27/5 Spelling Bee Semi Finals	28/5 Spelling Bee Semi Finals	29/5 K-2 Gymnastics	30/5 PSSA
Week 6	2/6 SISA K-6 Sport Whole School Assembly	3/6	4/6	5/6 K-2 Gymnastics	6/6 PSSA Cronulla Zone PSSA Workshop- Writing Welcome to Country
Week 7	9/6 Public Holiday (King's Birthday)	10/6 P&C Meeting 7pm Library	11/6 Sydney East Cross Country Carnival	12/6 K-2 Gymnastics Southern Stars Mass Dance Rehearsal	13/6 PSSA
Week 8	16/6 SISA K-6 Sport Grand Final Spelling Bee Whole School Assembly	17/6	18/6	19/6 K-2 Gymnastics	20/6 PSSA
Week 9	23/6 SISA K-6 Sport K-2 Assembly (run by 2SL) Create South Workshop & Presentation – The Pavillion Sutherland Senior Choir Rehearsal MNPS Hall SRC Ice cream Day (\$2)	& Presentation -	25/6 Create South Workshop & Presentation- The Pavillion Sutherland	Create South Workshop	135/1
Week 10	30/6 Public Speaking Grand Finals (Hall)	1/7 Junior Choir Rehearsal Gymea North PS	2/7 Athletics Carnival - Sylvania Athletics Track	3/7 P&C School Disco	4/7 PSSA

July School Holidays. Return to School Tuesday 22nd July 2025.