



SMITHTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 10 Term 2 – Monday 2 July 2018

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2018

Wednesday 4 July	NAIDOC – South Kempsey P & C Meeting 6.00 pm
Friday 6 July Last day of Term 2	Family & Friends Lunch 1.00 pm Open Classrooms 2.00 pm Assembly 2.30 pm
Sunday 8 July – Sunday 15 July	NAIDOC Week <i>Because of her we can!</i>
Monday 23 July	Staff Development Day – Melville High School
Tuesday 24 July	Term 3 Students return

PRINCIPAL REPORT

ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 6 JULY

Our last assembly for the term is this Friday 6 July 2018 at 2.30 pm. Our Athletics champions will be crowned!

We would also like to extend an invitation to our parents, carers, family and friends to join us for a complimentary lunch to celebrate an awesome term full of learning, experience and adventures.

Our complimentary lunch will be served at 1.00 pm followed by open classrooms at 2.00 pm where you can review your child's learning and achievements from this term.

Please fill in the catering form on the blue NAIDOC permission note to be return to school tomorrow for catering purposes.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

If you have any questions regarding your child's semester 1 report please call and make a time to meet with their teacher to discuss any concerns you may have, the doors are always open and we welcome the opportunity to work together to best support your child.

MATHS BOX QUESTION

Each week a maths box question will be sent home with our newsletter on a yellow piece of paper. It is a little bit of fun encouraging numeracy and problem solving. We want our students to participate by answering the problem but we really want to see their problem solving skills by demonstrating the method they used. Students can solve these problems by themselves or with a partner.

LITERACY

Next term we will be making adjustments to literacy groups in the morning sessions to facilitate more explicit instruction for students. If this involves your child then staff will be contacting you this week.

NAIDOC DAY CELEBRATIONS

On Wednesday all students will be travelling by bus to the NAIDOC celebrations at South Kempsey Public School. The bus will leave here at 9.15 am sharp and we will return from South Kempsey Public School in time for our normal end of day. Please sign and return the blue permission note by tomorrow – Tuesday 3 July 2018.



2/3/4 SOUTH WEST ROCKS EXCURSION

TUESDAY 3 JULY 2018

Mr Lewis will decide tomorrow morning to whether the excursion will go ahead pending on weather conditions.

PREMIER SPORTING CHALLENGE FUNDING GRANT

This term Jo entered our school in the NSW Premiers Sporting Challenge and our new office staff of P plate learners (Year 5 and 6 students) entered the data for the whole school each week.

As a result the school was granted a total of \$ 673.00 towards the end of year swimming program. Thank you to all our students and especially to our office staff (Jo and her team of Year 5 and 6 students).



L:R – Ava & Jemma entering the data into the computer for the Premier Sporting Challenge.

KEMPSEY SHIRE COUNCIL WASTE COLLECTION

Kempsey Shire Council has limited the number of bins we are able to have for collection each fortnight to one of each colour.

Staff and students see this as a huge positive as we all work towards reducing our waste but we need your help too.

Please can we ask that you try to reduce the amount of packaged food you send in your child's lunch box each day and instead send it in reusable containers or better still send food that does not require additional packaging (e.g. nude food).

We have been recycling our playground rubbish but as of today, we are introducing the recycling program into our classrooms, office and staff room.

Each classroom will have an environmental team, which will service the bins every afternoon ensuring they are emptied into the correct area.

Yellow bin – recycle paper and cardboard to be disposed into the compost.

Green bin – compost

Red - rubbish

COMMUNITY HARVEST

Sharing our harvest - every Friday our students will be harvesting our produce from our garden and offering it to our families and friends for a small donation, in return we will buy more seeds and seedlings for your garden.

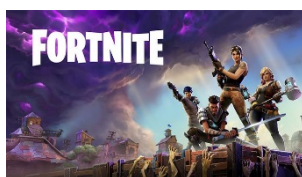
We would also like to extend an invitation to any other keen gardeners in Smithtown that have excess produce in their own gardens at home. Please bring it to school on a Friday afternoon at 3.00 pm and share your produce as well.

What a wonderful sustainable initiative for our Smithtown community!

SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

Please note that we have had reports that some of our students are engaging in online bullying whilst playing FORTNITE and using Instagram.

We have advised all students that should they be bullied on social media to take a snap shot and bring it to us at



school and we will forward to the police for immediate action.

MINDFULNESS LINK

Click on this link to be taken to the private page [Mindfulness Program Parent Information Video](https://www.annarawlings.com/mindfulnessprogramparents.html).
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PBL – RESPONSIBILITY

Listen attentively to all speakers!

5/6 CANBERRA EXCURSION 2018

7 Weeks to go!

Please note that the excursion must be **PAID in FULL** two weeks prior to students departing. Final payments are due by Friday 3 August 2018.

3/4 COFFS HARBOUR EXCURSION 2018

7 Weeks to go!

Payments for Stage 2 Coffs Harbour are now being taken through the school office or online. All payments must be completed two weeks prior to camp departing. Final payments are due by Friday 3 August 2018.

P&C WEDNESDAY 4 JULY 2018 AT 6.00PM

GOT IT

What's Happening with Got It!

Got It! would like to say a big thank you to Smithtown Public School and the families for their support throughout Term 2.



The Exploring Together Program is ready to go for Term 3 and the families involved will be contacted during the upcoming days to confirm their places.

Those not attending the program will receive a letter in the mail in the upcoming weeks.

We look forward to working with the children and their families in Term 2. Have a safe & happy holiday!

The Got It! Team

LOWER MACLEAY PRESCHOOL VACATION CARE

School vacation care is being offered for the following dates: Please call 6567 4743 to book your child in a.s.a.p.

- Monday 9 July 2018
- Tuesday 10 July 2018
- Wednesday 11 July 2018