



Smithtown Public School

Week 1 Term 4 – Monday 14 October 2019

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Term 4 2019

Week 1

Wednesday 16 October Kindergarten Orientation 2020 #2
9.30 am – 11.00 am
P&C meeting 6.00 pm

Thursday 17 October Netball NSW Gala Day
Athletics and Fitness

Friday 18 October SRC Crazy Hair Day – Gold Coin
NRL Rugby League Clinic

Week 2

Friday 25 October NRL Rugby League Clinic
World Teachers Day

Week 3

Wednesday 30 October Kindergarten Orientation 2020 #3
9.30 am – 11.00 am

Friday 1 November Life Education Visit

Week 4

Monday 4 November – Thursday 7 November Year 5/6 Sydney Excursion

Friday 8 November SRC Crazy Sock Day – Gold Coin

Week 5

Monday 11 November Year 6 Sex Education

Tuesday 12 November School Rotary Awards

Wednesday 13 November Lower Macleay Education
Network / Rotary South West
Rocks Public Speaking
Competition

Thursday 14 November Surf Safety assessment Years 4 - 6

Friday 15 November Responsible pet program K/1

Week 6

Wednesday 20 November Kindergarten Orientation 2020 #4
Parent Session
9.30 am – 11.00 am

Friday 22 November School Surfing Years 4/5/6

Week 8

Monday 2 December – Friday 13 December School Swimming and Safety
Program K-2

Week 9

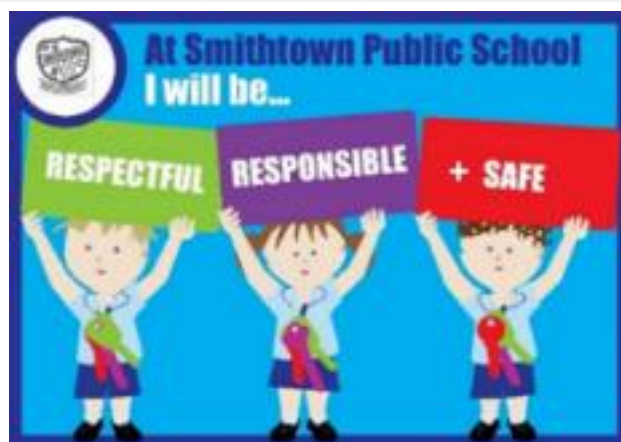
Wednesday 11 December Year 6 Farewell Night

Thursday 12 December Whole School Presentation Night

Friday 13 December Year 6 Big Day Out

Monday 16 December – Tuesday 17 December Hat Head Camp Out

Wednesday 18 December **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**



PBL – Responsibility

Take responsibility for my learning!

PRINCIPAL REPORT

Welcome back to term 4. It was wonderful this morning to see all our students looking rested and refreshed for another term of learning.

We would like to extend a warm Smithtown welcome to three new students and their families. Sisters Kyah (2/3), Brooke (K/1) and Kaleb (2/3). These families are living within the Smithtown community so I am sure you will support these new students and families as they settle in to our wonderful community.



L:R - Welcome Kyah, Brooke and Kaleb



STAGE 3 SYDNEY EXCURSION

Just a friendly reminder to all our Year 5/6 parents and carers that there is only **(3) weeks** left before the stage 3 Sydney excursion. Thank you to our parents who are taking advantage of the schools payment plan. Keep those payments rolling in!

SCHOOL HATS – NO HAT NO PLAY

Just a reminder that students must have a school hat on their head to be able to play in the school playground during their breaks. If they do not have a hat they will be instructed to play under the covered over learning area (COLA) area.

The P&C sell school hats for \$13.00.

LIBRARY

Our library will open each lunch time for the 2nd half of lunch for quiet time activities, reading, games, lego, colouring in and drawing.

NSW NETBALL GALA DAY

This Thursday 17 October 2019 some of our year 2 and 3 students will be participating in a non-competitive netball gala day in Kempsey. A permission note with further information will be sent home with your child on Tuesday.

CRAZY HAIR DAY – GOLD COIN DONATION

The student representative council (SRC) are holding a crazy hair day this Friday 18 October 2019. Students are to create their crazy hair at home. Please note that this **NOT** an out of uniform day.

All funds raised will be contributing towards a set of swings for the plane tree in our playground.

FAMILY OCCUPATION AND EDUCATION INDEX (FOEI)

The Department of Education is currently updating their data (FOEI). This index is a measure of socio-economic background for our school.

The FOEI informs the level of resourcing /funding we will be allocated in 2020. This week we will be sending home a form for our parents and carers to complete advising of any changes. We need current and accurate data to ensure we receive the correct funding to support our students learning.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club will continue this term with fresh fruit, vegetables, milo and milk.

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM 2020

As a result of our recent survey that included students, parents and staff, the following leadership structure will be used starting in 2020.

Our leaders will no longer be named captains and vice captains they will now form the Leadership Team.

Students and teachers will vote late in term 4 for our 2020 leadership team. Our current year 5 students will be elected as an equal part of the leadership team.

The 4 students with the most votes will form the team.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Each class conducted an SRC (Student Representative Council) meeting as a forum for student voice in our school.

The following are their ideas:

What's going well	What can we improve?	Questions?	Issues /Ideas
Breakfast club	Breakfast club- more milk & milo	Technology day?	Paint basketball court lines
Peer groups	Variety of fruit and veg	Crazy sock day?	Can we have more out of uniform days?
Playground	More canteen	Crazy hair day?	How can we earn for free time?
Sport opportunities	swings on playground	Face painting?	Can we have a PJ day?
Learning	Nude food	How can we reduce waste?	
Kindness	Reducing waste	Open library at lunch every day?	
Playing with sticks	Folders being returned	Swimming school?	

Action from meetings:

Every Wednesday is a Waste Free Wednesday so that students are encouraged to bring only nude food, no packaging at all, no poppers or commercial drinks, just reusable water bottles and food in containers, not plastic wrap.

We hope lunchboxes will contain no products that generate any waste. This is a student lead initiative what we hope parents are able to support.

We promote problem solving, to empower our learners to seek solutions and think creatively about how they can act to make a difference.



Click on the link below to create your online profile
<https://schoolfundraising.com.au/>

Please note you must have your prize orders in by Wednesday 16 October 2019. Prizes will be delivered in approximately two weeks.

Once prizes have been delivered we will be able to advise the total amount of funds raised.

Ava, Charlotte and Brontee enjoying the school fun run



Kindergarten enrolments and transition program for 2020 students

Our transition dates are as below:

TERM 3		
Week	Date	Time
Week 10 Transition # 1	Wednesday 25 September 2019	9.30 – 11.00 am
TERM 4		
Week 1 Transition # 2	Wednesday 16 October 2019	9.30 – 11.00 am
Week 3 Transition # 3	Wednesday 30 October 2019	9.30 – 11.00 am
Week 6 Transition # 4 and Parent Information Session	Wednesday 20 November 2019 PARENT INFORMATION SESSION	9.30 – 11.00 am

P&C MEETING

The P&C will be holding their monthly meeting this Wednesday 16 October 2019 at 6.00 pm at the school. We would love to see some new faces at our meetings as we value your ideas and support for fundraising for our school.

P&C Trivia Night – Rebecca Box

On Saturday 2 November 2019 at Smithtown Bowling Club the P&C are holding a family orientated trivia night. Please diarise the date and start thinking about your team. Further information to follow in Term 4.

We would love suggestions of businesses that might contribute towards the night. If you could contact the office so we can check they have not already been approached and arrange a letter of support for the business that would be great. Thank you!

HUDDO SWIM & FITNESS

Gladstone Pool

★ Tues 12th Nov to Wed 18th Dec

Learn to Swim Program ★

6-week block

Tuesday & Wednesday Afternoons

\$87 Beginner/Seahorse Learn-to-Swim level (max 4 to a class)

\$87 Advanced/Turtle Level (max 6 to a class)

\$87 Stroke Correction/ Barracuda (max 8 to a class)

\$30 Adult Private Lessons

Private lessons before 3pm

Fees include entry for child & spectator parent/guardian

Enrol now!

Lessons Tuesday & Wednesday afternoons

30-minute classes

ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE AUSTRALIAN SWIMMING ASSOCIATION QUALIFIED

All FEES to be paid prior to start date

SQUAD TRAINING STARTS MON 21ST OCTOBER

Mon & Wed 4.30pm

\$13 session

Phone Dave or Sue 6566 6787

PLAY

LEAGUE STARS

The League Stars program appeals to the true nature of kids, in all their messy, high energy, love of fun and play. Each week, your child will participate in specially designed games that get them smiling and sweating.

League Stars kids have loads of fun with their friends, old and new, but the program delivers so much more. Each week they'll unlock more of their unique strengths, building physical, cognitive, social and emotional skills that will help them take on challenges big and small, now and in the future.

REGISTER FOR LEAGUE STARS
LEAGUESTARS.COM

WHEN: 31/10/2019 - 5/12/2019
TIME: Thursdays 3:45pm - 4:45pm
LENGTH: 6 weeks
AGE: 5-12 Years
COST: \$75

WHERE:
Smithtown Football Field
Cannane St
Smithtown
NSW, 2440

YOUR LEAGUE STARS COACH IS:

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Pack items may differ from ones shown

