

## *Our school rules*

- *Be Safe*
- *Be Respectful*
- *Be an Active Learner*

Term 3 is proving to a very busy and exciting time at Plunkett Street Public School. We are starting to plan for 2018 and will be holding Information Sessions for parents who have children ready to start kindergarten in 2018. The meetings will be held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of August and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, both starting at 10am. If you know anyone with children ready for school next year, please let them know of those dates.

The students, staff and parents will again be asked to participate in the Tell Them From Me Survey this term. The purpose of the survey is to provide an insight into student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices at our school. The data collected will help drive our New School Plan for 2018-2020. Information will be sent home soon regarding permission and passwords.

School Photos will take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August, starting first thing in the morning. Please make sure your child wears full school uniform on the day and arrives on time.

Over the next five years, every school in NSW will undergo External Validation. The panel meeting for Plunkett Street is scheduled for term 4 2017. The process involves a school self evaluation and the sourcing of evidence to support the rating. The staff have been working through our self assessment and are well on the way with our evidence sets. More information will be given to parents at our next **Parent Meeting on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> August** straight after the Book Week Parade. All Welcome.

On Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August the Uluru Class will be attempting the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test, which allows to see if their technology is ready for the change in 2018.

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## Dates for the Calendar

### Term 3, 2017

#### August

8th	Kakadu Class to the Museum
10th	Uluru Class to the Museum
11th	Assembly - Preschool
17th	School Photos
18th	PSSA Sport
22nd	Kindy 2018 Parent Information Session - 10am
25th	Assembly - Book Week Parade
25th	Parent Meeting - All Welcome
28th	NAPLAN Online Readiness Test
30th	Musica Viva
31st	STEPS - Eye testing for Preschool

#### September

5th	Kindy 2018 Parent Information Session - 10am
8th	Assembly - Uluru

### Community BBQ Dates

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November

**From 4pm - All Free**

# News from Kakadu Class

It's been a busy few weeks in Kakadu class and the children have quickly got back to work after the winter holiday. Last week was National Tree week and the Kakadu Kids marked the occasion by planting a Lemon Tree in our school garden, with the support of our gardening volunteers, Chris and Brian. We will now care for it and await our first harvest of lemons! In maths we learnt about 3D shapes and focused on those shapes that have flat faces, the children used this knowledge to build their own shapes and construct models. We have made a start on our Sydney Harbour project and have begun writing questions and chance scenarios for Plunkett Street's very own Sydney Harbour Monopoly game! Watch this space...



## Plunkett Street School Jerseys



A few parents have shown interest in purchasing a school jersey similar to the ones worn by our 2016 Year 6 students.

The jerseys can be ordered in sizes:

3XS 2XS XS S L XL

Unfortunately there are no Mediums available.

If you wish to purchase a jersey, please give Alli your \$25 and size order by Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> August. No orders can be accepted after that date.

# News from Uluru Class

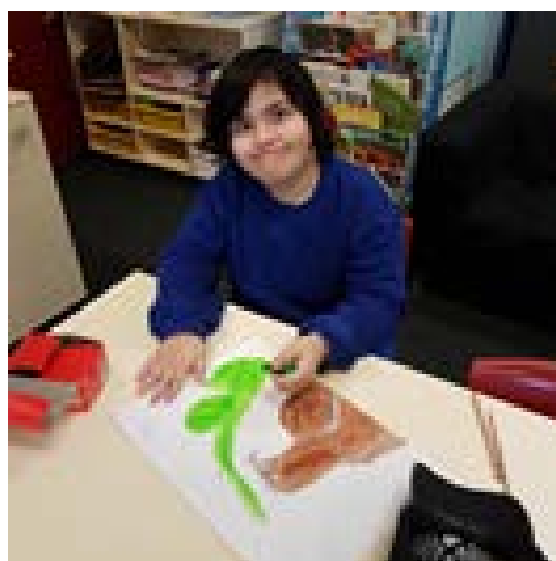
Term 3 is going to be full of interesting learning opportunities for the students in Uluru. Not only will we be celebrating Science Week and Book Week with excursions to the Australian Museum and State Library over the coming month, but we will also be undertaking in-depth research and learning opportunities about Sydney Harbour, the world's most beautiful harbour just at our doorstep!

This week we have been learning about endangered Australian species and entered an art competition depicting these amazing animals.

**\*Please remember to return your permission slip for the science excursion no later than this Tuesday and your school photo envelope by 16/08/2017. School Photos will take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August.**

## Kitchen Garden Program

In gardening our volunteers Chris and Brian helped us harvest some of our plants to make an absolutely delicious Caesar salad.





# News from Preschool

The preschoolers have started their imaginary trip Around the World. We brought our boat inside, made a mast, sail and an anchor. We even put a mermaid on our boat, just like we saw in the story *Louise Builds a Boat*. We've 'left' Australia and started sailing towards Indonesia. Evander's mum Erni came in to talk to us about the islands of Indonesia. She showed us which animals live on the different islands and talked about some of the food that Indonesian people eat. They eat a lot of rice! We found out that there are rhinos living in Indonesia, something even Miss Meg and Miss Marny didn't know. The children were particularly interested in the Komodo Dragon and crawled around like these large lizards in the playground later that day. We also learned that there are volcanos in Indonesia.

To be able to keep a travel diary we are practising our writing skills: each morning we sign our names on the sign-in sheet in our room. To be able to communicate a little with people in different countries, we are also learning a new song, the 'Hello song'. We say 'hello' in Indonesian, Japanese, Dutch, English, Fijian, Spanish, and Chinese.



## PLUNKETT STREET COMMUNITY PROJECT **FREE**

Playgroup for children 0-5 and their parent/carer

Facilitated by Plunkett Street Pre School Teacher and Case Worker from Lou's Place

### Come and Play!



Every Thursday during school term  
At Plunkett Street School  
First playgroup for 2017 on 2 February  
9:30am - 11:30am  
Morning tea provided

