

### Term 3 Week 3, 2018

Our school rules

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be an Active Learner

Dear Families,

After a wonderful adventure around Europe, I am very happy to return to school and see term 3 up and running so smoothly. A very big thank you to all of the staff, especially Mr Bendersky, for making it possible.

This week is Education Week, where schools across NSW celebrate the learning taking place in their schools. I think you would agree that the students at Plunkett St have an amazing learning environment, with the opportunity to take part in many exciting programs, including Sydney Story Factory, dance, kitchen garden, tennis and now we have a new soccer program. K-6 students will be participating in a soccer skills program on Monday afternoons delivered by the Sydney FC.

A big congratulations to Allison Fairweather for successfully completing the merit selection process. She is now the permanent School Administration Manager of Plunkett St Public School.

On behalf of Plunkett St Public School students, staff and families, I want to express our condolences to the Carrol family, after the passing of Aunty Fay Carrol. She was a true friend and supporter of the students of Plunkett St, and she will be sadly missed.

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### Dates for the Calendar Term 3, 2018

### **August**

14 <sup>th</sup>	Kindy 2019 Parent Info Session
	10-11am
15 <sup>th</sup>	Pyjama Day Yr 6 fundraiser
17 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly (Jenolan performance)
20th	Kindy 2019 Parent Info Session
	5:30-6:30pm
24th	Book Week Assembly and Parade
31st	Assembly (Uluru performance)



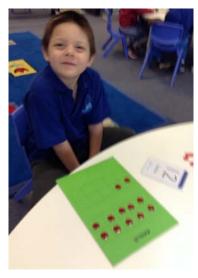
## News from Kakadu Class

Welcome back to term 3! The Kakadu kids have had a flying start to the term and have been busy in their learning both in and outside the classroom. Dance started this week and the children showed Miss Helen what amazing dancing divas they are becoming. In literacy, we have been busy learning to write sentences and remembering our finger spaces. In maths, the children have been representing numbers and learning all about 3D shapes. The Kakudu kids all got their hands dirty (well almost all!) in our first gardening session this Wednesday. There was lots of weeding to be done to make space for our butterfly garden...we also planted some strawberry plants.

A big thank you to all those parents who have sent a white t'shirt to school, we will be transforming these into a kindness t'shirt next week.











# News from Uluru Class

Uluru students have had a busy few weeks getting straight back into things after the holidays. We were up first with gardening and our lovely gardening buddies helped us plant some new veggies. We welcomed back our story factory volunteers and have started to get our imaginations fired up to create more amazing writing pieces.

In math we explored 3D shapes and had a go at building some of our own using playdoh and paddlepop sticks.

On Wednesday we were lucky enough to head up to the Australian Museum to participate in activities for Science Week. There were hands on activities and we even got to watch a little science show!













## News from Jenolan Class

Wow, what an action packed fortnight we have had!

A huge congratulations to our soccer team who had a massive 6-2 win against Randwick. We are learning the importance of positional play and making passes a priority for success! Every player has shown strong growth and as a team we are making great progress.

On Wednesday we had an excursion to the Australian Museum to celebrate Science Week. The students had a great time learning about all things science from frog habitats to 3D printing and crime scene investigations. What a great experience!





In the last week Jenolan has had the pleasure of being tour guides at Artspace for the general public, touring them around artist Keg de Souza's exhibition. Working in teams, the students demonstrated their ability to think constructively about art to share their ideas and perceptions about schooling and community. Well done to everyone.





A reminder that next Wednesday is Pyjama Day, a Year 6 fundraiser. We encourage all students in the school to spend the day in their pyjamas at school and bring along their favourite soft toy!

## News from the Pinnacles class

#### Little Architects

The preschoolers have decided to create a town in their room. They have looked at designs and have turned boxes into houses and apartments. Atticus kindly brought in some items from home to make it look more real. His cement mixer, crane and other building trucks are used for building purposes, but also to transport and house the doll house people in.

Our architect's office displays children's house designs as well as some examples of floor plans. We have looked at houses from different countries that represent our backgrounds and have made links to learning about shapes and patterns. The children have all made a house collage using different shapes. These art works are displayed in our entrance.

We have read books, such as *Iggy Peck, Architect* and *This House, Once ...,* that have taught us about special paper that architects use and have helped us extend our vocabulary. We also learned where the different materials come from that are used to build houses, such as trees (doors), mud (bricks) and rocks (roof tiles). We looked at the video of a 13 year old who built a tiny house, and felt so inspired that we also wanted a television in our new cubby house. The cubby house, donated by Kings Cross Rotary, was delivered in parts and was put together this week by Alex the Builder. We had a look at his circular saw and other tools that he had brought in and watched him as he worked. Our maintenance man John has sanded and painted it for us. The children love it and can't wait to play in it.





COME & FLAY!

## PLUNKETT STREET COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP

It's free!

For children up to 5 years 9.30 - 11.30am Every Thursday during the school terms

Morning Tea provided

Meet at the Plunkett St Primary School COLA

