



Plunkett Street News

Term 1
Week 11, 2019

Our school rules

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

Dear Families,

As we are at the end of term 1, 2019 I would like to thank all of our friends and families for the wonderful commitment they have made to their child's education by being a part of Plunkett St Public School. Seeing families at events, such as Harmony Day, and our fortnightly assemblies, really shows the students that you are a partner in their learning. Thank you also, to the families that have been able to attend parent teacher interviews. The school gains a lot of knowledge about their students during these meetings.

This term has seen a few changes at Plunkett St Public School, including the arrival of our demountable classroom. Mr Bendersky and the senior class students very quickly settled in, and have worked hard to make it look amazing, decorating with art and flowers.

Term 1 saw the introduction of STEM and Music. We welcomed Mr McGinness to the Plunkett St family, and he has been delivering this creative and engaging program from preschool to Year 6. Next term, the students will continue to build on their learning in music, and will be working with robotics in STEM.

There will be a lot of other exciting things happening during term 2, so please make sure you have a safe and happy holidays and rest up for term 2!

Friday 12th April is the last day of term 1 for all students in K-6.

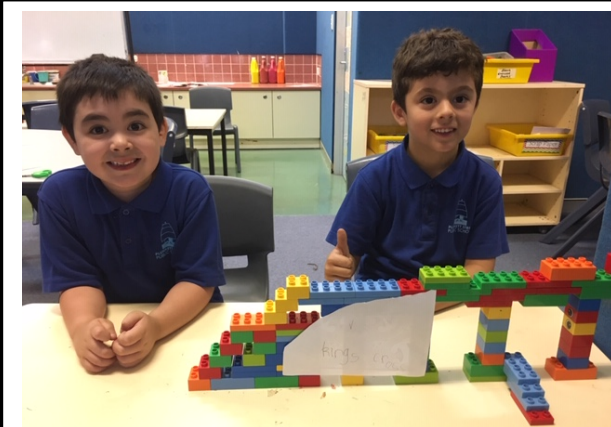
A reminder about the school gates. Both the Forbes St and Dowling St gates are **locked from 9:30am to 2:30pm**. This is to ensure the safety of everyone at school. If you need to enter the school when the gate is locked, please use the Plunkett St button on the intercom system.

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Easter Hat Parade 2019



STEM

Dates for the Calendar

Term 1, 2019

April

30	Students return to school Term 2
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May

2	WEAVE lunch time visit
10	Assembly – Term Launch
15	Coraki to State Library NSW
24	Assembly - Preschool

News from Kakadu Class

Congratulations to the Kindergarten Kids on completing your first term of school and to their Year 1 buddies who have been super supportive. The last few weeks have been busy (as always)...here are a few highlights...

The Easter Hat Parade was a great success and it was lovely to see so many original and creative hats. The children were all so proud of their efforts and loved sharing them with their classmates and the rest of the school.

Over the term, the children have been perfecting their movement skills in dance and are working hard to put together a class dance.

Last week was 'books in homes' and each child was fortunate to receive three free books, I do hope you have enjoyed sharing them at home.

I wish you all a relaxing, happy and healthy break.



News from Uluru Class

As you may know, Miss Gillogly hurt her finger playing football. On Tuesday, she had an operation to make sure her finger heals correctly. Three pins were placed in the joint of her finger. Miss Gillogly has spent the rest of this week recovering from her operation. We all send our best wishes to her, and hope for a speedy recovery. While Miss Gillogly has been away, Miss Kennedy has been teaching the Uluru Kids. The kids have had a lot of fun learning and dancing with Miss Kennedy. A big thank you to Miss Kennedy for her support during the week. Happy Holidays !!



COME & PLAY!

**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



News from Jenolan Class

We can't believe it is the last week of term! What a fantastic start to the year Jenolan have had. Mr McGinness is especially happy with the strong friendships that have been made within the classroom. Students are continuing to develop their literacy and mathematical skills daily and making great progress in a range of topics.

Jenolan thoroughly enjoyed our time with the amazing Story Factory crew who came in every week to help us create our own published and printed story books. A range of our books are available to read in the office entrance, so please feel free to stop and have a read of one of our books!

The Easter Hat Parade was a terrific success with all students showcasing their incredible homemade hats. Honourable mentions for students in Jenolan go to Harshaan, Sini and Raymond for their colourful and creative hats. Awesome effort from everyone.

In other exciting news, Mr McGinness had a professional learning day at Taronga Zoo on how to implement our new STEM kit in the classrooms. The kit includes Dash Robots, LEGO WeDo, Blue Bots, and iPads to go with them. All classes will be taking advantage of having these amazing resources for a limited time and will be experimenting with robotics in new and exciting ways on a weekly basis next term.



News from Coraki Class

Coraki class has had a great finish to term 1, with lots of fun activities which demonstrate the students growing abilities across many areas of learning.

The kids helped our school gardeners to plant shrubs around our demountable classroom. This has made a nice difference to the look of the area. Thank you to Sydney City Council for the donation of these plants.

As ANZAC Day will fall within the upcoming school holidays the class has been spending time researching information, writing letters, reading books, watching clips and making art about the history of Australia's military and its contribution to the development of our country.

Yesterday we enjoyed another wonderful Easter Hat Parade. The students made some terrific hats and we all enjoyed the treats from the Easter bunny.



Recently our Year 3 and 5 students sat for a trial NAPLAN test session. This allows them to get used to using digital technologies. The official NAPLAN tests will take place early next term for these students and additional information will be sent out to relevant parents beforehand.

News from the Pinnacles


Community helper Constable Anne

The Pinnacles had a surprise visit from Constable Anne – a well-known Plunkett Street community member. We were really lucky, because a few weeks ago we had also had a visit from Constable Wayne, who showed us a few tricks. Constable Anne spoke to the children about crossing the road: how do we stay safe? We talked about the colours of the traffic lights and what they mean: red means stop, yellow/orange means you have to start to stop and green means that you can go. However, whenever you cross a road, you still have to look left and right to see if anything is coming. Otherwise you might get run over by a car.

Constable Anne also talked about her uniform and the equipment that she had brought in. She had a walkie-talkie to be able to hear messages – and we could hear some police officers speak in the background. She showed us her gun and a stick that police officers use for protection. The children then got a turn at trying on the handcuffs, which they found very interesting. She showed us how she had to click them back into place to make them work. It was important that she didn't lose the key, otherwise the cuffs couldn't come off. Fortunately our children's wrists were small enough to just slide them out. After Constable Anne's talk, the children asked a lot of questions about her equipment and about catching bad guys.



Community News



Inner Sydney High School Update - Week 10

Enrolment: EOI forms are still coming in and schools are notified once we receive them. All applicants will receive information regarding enrolment early in Term 2.

Consultation: Consultation with the community will begin in Term 2 as part of establishing the new school. We look forward to your ideas and input.

Facebook: Inner Sydney High School is now on Facebook. You can find us at fb.me/innerSydneyhs

Website: The website is on track to go live by the end of term. Stay tuned!

Calling past students: Do you know anyone who attended Cleveland Street High School? Feel free to share stories and contact details with us via email innersydneyhighschool@det.nsw.edu.au

For further information, please call 0412 434 813



**THURSDAY
18TH APRIL
3PM - 7PM**

ALL FREE!
"SHOOK!"
"LIT!"
"EETS!"

NYW
NSW YOUTH WEEK

**YOUTH
WEEK
Wrap
PARTY**

**10 MIN
WALK
FROM
TOWN
HALL**

Supported by:

**DJS, LIVE BANDS, ART WORKSHOPS, SPORT ACTIVITIES
BREAKDANCE COMP, WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL
T-SHIRT PRINTING, RECORDING STUDIO, FREE FOOD
& DRINKS, AND MUCH MORE 100% FREE!**

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Corner of Cathedral & Riley Streets
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