

## *Our school rules*

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

Dear Families,

As a part of working towards our two school strategic directions of High Achievement and High Engagement, the school provides many programs and activities that enhance student learning, with the support of our community partners in learning. On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June, the staff participated in a professional learning workshop with the Art Gallery of NSW, inspiring us to incorporate their wonderful collection into our class programs. The Coraki Class are currently working with the State Library NSW on a photography project which involved a visit to the Botanic Gardens. The Australian College of Dance deliver weekly dance classes to all of our students K-6, and of course there is Story Factory who engage our students in a weekly writing program, which was promoted on the SBS news last week.

During the last few weeks of term 2, students will be participating in activities leading up to NAIDOC. During the community NAIDOC event on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, we will have the opportunity to share some of the students learning with our school community. The students will be dancing on the stage and their art and stories will be shared during the event. Plunkett St Public School will have a marquee set up, sharing information about the school and selling some art and craft that the students have been making with WEAVE. Please come a long and visit during the day.

Each term I host a parent meeting to discuss current and upcoming events. The next meeting is planned for Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June directly following the whole school assembly. During the meeting we will discuss the school playground and the Reconciliation Action Plan that we are currently working on. It would be great to see as many families as possible at the meeting.

Thank you,  
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## Kindy Farm Visit

### Dates for the Calendar Term 2, 2019

#### June

20th	Musica Viva – 2pm
21st	Assembly – BIHA and Coraki
21st	Parent Meeting
27	PYJAMA Day - \$2 coin donation

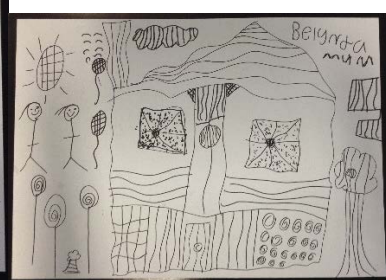
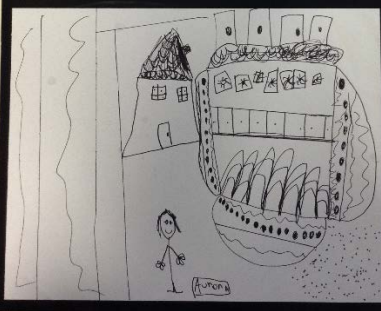
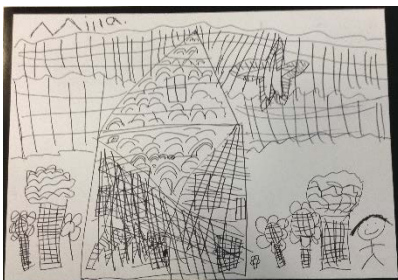
#### July

1st	ROOSTERS are coming League Star Clinic P-6 Respect Assembly 2-3pm
3rd	Whole School Art Gallery visit
4th	Last Day term 2 - Preschool
5th	Assembly - NAIDOC
5th	Last Day term 2 K-6
6th	Community NAIDOC event
11th	NAIDOC movie night - WEAVE
22nd	Staff return for term 3
23rd	Students return to school term 3
31st	Super Hero Dress Up - fund raiser

# News from Kakadu Class

It has been another busy few weeks in Kakadu. In maths last week our focus was pattern and we explored and learnt about many different repeating patterns including colour, shape, number and patterns that increase and decrease in size. All the children enjoyed making their own patterns and sharing them with their friends. This week in maths our focus has been 2D shapes and we have been learning about the features of shapes and how to describe them. We have learnt that shapes have curved and/or straight sides and that these straight sides join at corners. We enjoyed making our own edible shapes with cocktail stick sides and marshmallow corners! This enquiry made us think about the different types of lines we draw when representing shapes and inspired our beautiful line pictures...see photographs below.

In science we have extended our work on materials by sharing vocabulary that describes how different materials look, feel and behave. On Tuesday the children had great fun, in the Pre-School playground, investigating which material is magnetic.





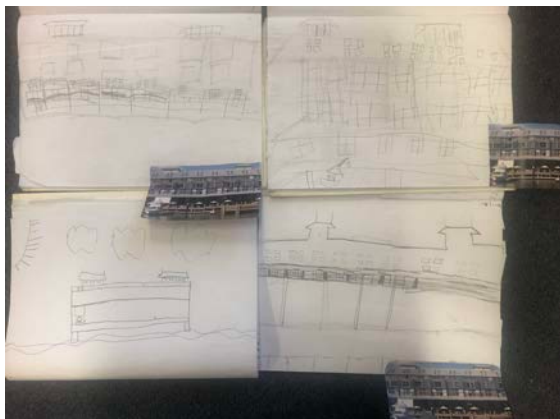
# News from Uluru Class

After last weeks rainy weather it was lovely to get outside for gardening on Wednesday. There was lots to be done, and everyone was very busy and helpful, ticking off all the jobs like planting, mulching and weeding!

This week we finished our book "lost and found" in drama and we got the chance to start exploring our new book. Rowan, our drama teacher is continuing to teach us games and activities that help us bring the characters in the story alive. Helping us understand the story more in depth.

In History, we have been exploring our local area in greater depth. With particular focus on Woolloomooloo Finger wharf. We have looked at how it has changed over the years and what it was first built for. Students then had a go at sketching a section of the wharf.

Students have been exploring the features of different 2D shapes in math, and experimenting with tessellation of shapes and in doing so have created some amazing patterns with the shapes.



# News from Jenolan Class

Jenolan have had another terrific fortnight of learning. In English we are continuing to develop our persuasive writing skills by editing our work to make it more appealing to the reader. We have started a new class book by Paul Jennings, 'The Gizmo' which students are loving and we already have the next book in the series ready to go. Try to remind your students to practice extra hard on their weekly spelling list as the Plunkett Street Spelling Bee is just around the corner.

In mathematics we have further developed our abilities in identifying patterns and algebraic thinking. A lot of students have had major breakthroughs in discovering the value of an unknown number which has been great to see. The next major focuses will be 2D space, multiplication and division.

We are still enjoying our weekly activities that we are lucky enough to have run at school, including Story Factory, drama workshops, Mandarin, STEM and music. These last few weeks of term will be the last chance we have to use the amazing tablet robotics kit we have borrowed from the Department of Education. All students have especially enjoyed learning with Lego WeDo 2.0. This has allowed students from Kindy to Year 6 to be challenged in the way they build, comprehend and create code and it has been a pleasure to watch.



# News from Coraki Class

We are very lucky to have a school that provides our students with such a wide range of wonderful learning opportunities and experience.

Firstly, congratulations to our PSSA soccer team who won their first game of the season, a 4-2 win over Kensington PS. As ever the players are learning that success comes through communication, passing, teamwork and fun!

Last week the class spent the afternoon in the beautiful Botanic Gardens where they continued to learn about and capture the finer points of photography. We ventured to all corners of the gardens, saw spectacular plants, animals both big and small and took dozens of shots. These photographs will be on display at a special exhibit at the State Library at the beginning of next term, all welcome!

The class has been continuing to explore parts of Asia. We are currently researching China, learning about the geography of the country it's political past and took a virtual tour of the Great Wall of China!

In PDHPE lessons we have been reflecting on ideas of character, personal values and traits, recognising the eclectic mix that we all bring and developing a greater appreciation of diversity. The students are learning that it is important to understand our own strengths and weaknesses.





# News from the Pinnacles

## A helicopter to Hong Kong

Last week Jacob's parents visited our classroom and did a presentation about Hong Kong. We looked at an online world map and zoomed in on Hong Kong. We learned that Hong Kong, just like Australia, used to be part of the United Kingdom, but became a special region of China in 1997. Most people in Hong Kong speak Cantonese, but also English. Many road signs are in both languages. We learned to count to three in Cantonese: jat, ji, saam. Jacob's parents had also brought in some food to share: bread with a sausage that had to be cut with special scissors. The children enjoyed this after eating some of their own lunch first. They now mention Hong Kong and say 'ne ho' to Jacob during our morning group time. They know Jacob's parents came from Hong Kong.

The children decided that a helicopter could take us to Hong Kong. We took a large box and started copying a picture of a toy helicopter. It needed landing skids (cardboard cylinders), a propeller (three cardboard blades), a tail and windows (cockpit). We left a flap, so that it could be the door to get in. Aaron, Wade, Savannah, Sara, Frankie, Jacob and Leslie were all involved in creating the chopper. Gwine created an artwork: she glued a helicopter onto paper and created an environment around it with sky and trees. We used sticky tape, texas and scissors (to cut out the drawn windows). The hardest task was to create the propeller and attach it to the helicopter. We used a special pin to put them together so that they could still spin around. We were all happy with the result!



## PLUNKETT STREET COMMUNITY PROJECT **FREE**

Playgroup for children 0-5 and their parent/carer

Facilitated by Plunkett Street Early Learning Educator and Lou's Place.

With free play, story and music time.

**Come and Play!**



Every Thursday during school term
At Plunkett St School COLA
9:30am-11:30am



# Community News

**NAIDOC 2019**

## **Badu Gili Sydney Opera House Excursion** with Weave Community Hub

**Please join us in celebrating NAIDOC Week by coming along to enjoy the stunning lights of Badu Gili.**

Badu Gili — meaning 'water light' in the language of the traditional owners of Bennelong Point, the Gadigal people — is a daily experience that explores ancient First Nations stories in a spectacular seven-minute projection.

**Date:** Tuesday 9th July

**Time:** The bus will leave Weave Community Hub Woolloomooloo at 3:30pm and will return by 6:00pm.

**Please note:** There are limited spaces on the bus. Please contact Lauren at Weave on 02 9331 2153 as soon as possible if you would like to attend so we can reserve a spot for you.

**Important:** All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. All children (any age) must return on the bus unless they have permission from their parent/guardian.

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**WEAVE**  
YOUTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES



## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> of June

## Pyjama Day!

**Please bring \$2 to raise money  
for the Year 6 end of year  
celebrations**

**You can wear a onesie or  
your pyjamas**



**PJ's  
all day!**

