

Kitchener Public School



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Calendar of Events Term 4

Wednesday 28th November

2:00pm Policy Team meeting

2.30pm Friends of Kitchener Meeting

2.30pm Year 5/6 Silent Movie Preview

Thursday 29th November

10am Year 3/4 REAL Project Outcome

5pm ~ Year 6 Farewell followed by

6.30pm—8pm ~ Whole School Disco

Friday 30th November

Evaluation survey due

Last day Year 6 Students attending
Cessnock HS Year 7 (2019)

Last day Mrs McGuiness (Year 3/4)

3pm Clap Out Year 6's and,
Mrs McGuiness

Wednesday 5th December

StartSmart Financial Literacy K-6

Friday 7th December

2.30pm Captains & Ministers Assembly

Tuesday 18th December

Pool Fun & Party Day Branxton Pool

Wednesday 19th December

Last day Term 4 for Students

Thursday 20th December

Last day Term 4 for Teachers & Staff

2019 ~ Advance Notice

- Fri 1st Feb ~ Small Schools' Swimming Carnival
- Fri 8th Feb ~ Year 1/2 Exc



**Student Reports
are being sent
home with
students, today**

Presentation Ceremony Wednesday 28th November, 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What an exciting time we have had since the last newsletter! I had the pleasure of attending the CCGPS Choir presentation, hearing them sing a number of songs as well as Emaline performing a solo. What a talented group of singers.

Our Presentation Ceremony combined music, singing, acknowledgement of achievements with our 2019 School Captains, Ministers and Aboriginal Education Team leaders announced. Congratulations to our 2019 School Leaders:

Captains ~ *Breanna* and *Evie O*

Ministers for Wellbeing ~ *Bethany*, Sport ~ *Kyron* and, Environment ~ *Scarlett*.

Aboriginal Education Team President ~ *Maddilyn*, Vice President ~ *Charlotte* and, Secretary ~ *Jaspa*. Our captains and ministers will be sworn in at our **Assembly 2.30pm Friday, 7th December**. The Dance Group will also perform.

Year 6 presented an aeroplane buddy bench as their gift to the school; they had a fabulous fun day at Revolution Park last Friday. They will be celebrating with parents, staff and students at their **Year 6 Farewell** tomorrow night, **29th November from 5pm**. We wish the students, who are attending Cessnock HS, all the best as they start this journey next Monday (3rd December) as well as Mrs McGuiness who will be on leave as she prepares for her journey out west.

We will also be farewelling 10 families whose youngest child will be heading off to Year 7 in 2019. All the best to Boyd's, Isaac's, Riley's, Lila-J's, Gilby's, Nate's, Stevie's, Ned's, Will's and, Lucas' families.

At our Friends of Kitchener meeting we discussed a consequence flowchart developed by the policy team, our 2019 School Centenary (a slip is enclosed for those interested in assisting with this), and our tentative staffing for 2019. Mrs Power will be on Kindergarten; Ms Brunton will be sharing her expertise in Creative Arts across K-6 as well as implementing REAL projects in Year 1/2; Mrs Firth will be explicitly teaching guided reading and writing for three days in Year 1/2 while continuing in her Instructional Leader role at Congewai and Paxton; Miss Hutt will be on Year 5/6 and Mrs Couper will continue in the Learning Support Teacher role. We are currently waiting to hear from staffing about how Mrs McGuiness' position will be filled but Ms Mexon will be on Year 3/4 from next Monday (3rd December), until the end of the year. Any other staffing news will be shared as it becomes known.

We have been successful in receiving a \$500 grant to build a new greenhouse in the garden thanks to Kaiden, our 2018 Minister for the Environment, and we now also have a Slip, Slop, Slap sunscreen station in our playground!

Congratulations to our PBL raffle ticket winners Sophia K/1, Taylah Year 1/2, Evelyn Year 3/4 & Stevie Year 5/6 for Friendly Talk & keeping Hands & Feet to Self.

A survey is included with this week's newsletter to help with the evaluation of 2018 at Kitchener. Please return the completed survey by *this* Friday morning (30th November); the class with the highest percentage of surveys returned will win a class reward.

Cathy Vogt, Relieving Principal



EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

**School starts at
9.15am
DON'T BE LATE!**

Supervision of students starts at 8:45am so try not to be early! See the office if this is an issue.

WHOLE SCHOOL DISCO ~ 6.30pm—8pm Tomorrow Night ~ Thursday 29th November

All students, Kinder to Year 6 are invited to attend the Whole School Disco in the SPR from 6.30pm—8pm. Come and say Farewell to Year 6 and, celebrate 2018. There is no cost to attend the disco.



Cessnock City Council Little Blue Dinosaur Foundation to launch the Holiday Time: Slow Down, Kids Around road safety campaign across the region 11am Tuesday 18th December Poppethead Park Kitchener

If you would like to attend, please let the school office know. Mrs Richard, Office will be attending the launch as the whole school will be at the Fun Day at Branxton Pool on this day. **Please remind your child about safety around cars when walking to and from school.**

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES ~ Cessnock & Kurri Kurri Libraries

A range of school holiday activities will be held at Cessnock and Kurri Kurri Libraries. A poster is on display in the school office or, you can go to their website www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au for full details. Cessnock Library contact is 4993 4399 and, Kurri Kurri Library contact is 4937 1638

LUNCH RUN HELPERS ~ ROSTER

LUNCH ORDERS WEDNESDAYS ONLY

Term 4

Wednesday 28th Nov ~ Lucy Most (Evelyn Year 3/4 & Sophia K/1) in ONLY

Wednesday 5th Dec ~ Mr Muller (Chloe Year 5/6)

Wednesday 12th Dec ~ Lucy Most (Evelyn Year 3/4 & Sophia K/1) in ONLY

Wednesday 19th Dec ~ NO LUNCH RUN ~ LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS

If you find you are unable to do the Lunch Run on your day, please let the office know.

Thanking you, in advance. The Students and Staff Kitchener Public School

At this stage, we aren't sure when Lunch Runs will be held in 2019 but, THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH RUN THE FIRST WEEK BACK OF 2019 (Wednesday 30th January to Friday 1st February).

PLEASE NOTE ~ IF YOU ARE DROPPING OFF YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH ORDER DIRECTLY TO PIG OUT CAFÉ ON WEDNESDAYS, THESE NEED TO BE THERE BY 10AM TO ENABLE THE STAFF TO COMPLETE THE ORDER IN TIME FOR OUR LUNCH RUN PICKUP



Year 6 and Their Buddy Bench Gift

Year 6 Fair ~ Friday 16th November



*Farewell to Mrs
Judy McGuinness
Year 3/4*

Help is Out There, Just a Phone Call Away

During the Festive Season and, school holiday breaks, families may face additional stress. If you feel you would like to talk to someone, there are many people to contact, to talk to; please don't feel alone, support is just a phone call away ~



Child Protection is Everyone's Business

This Child Protection Week we want your help letting your students know that Kids Helpline is here for them.



Anytime. Any Reason.

We're here. Anytime. Any Reason.
kidshelpline.com.au | **1800 55 1800**

Kids Helpline is a service of yourtown for 5-25 year olds

KidsHelpLine 1800 55 1800

LifeLine 13 11 14

Hunter New England Health (pages 258 & 259 of the White Pages 2017/18 Phone Book has a list of all the services available)

Mental Health Line 1800 011 511

GP Access After Hours 1300 130 147

Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444 for non-urgent matters, to report incidences

Samaritans Cessnock 4993 3400 Children & Family Support Services, Community Services, Disability Services, Domestic Violence Services, Mental Health Services and Youth Services.

iPLAY ~ Home activity

Get active - Try this at home!

Sock Tails

Equipment: 2 long socks per person

Area: Large open space such as the backyard or the park

How to play:

Everyone tucks 2 socks into their pants so that they hang out like tails.

Everyone is in, and has to try and steal other's 'tails'. If you steal a 'tail', tuck it into your pants and keep trying to steal more. If all your 'tails' have been stolen you are NOT out, just keep trying to steal more.

HAVE FUN!

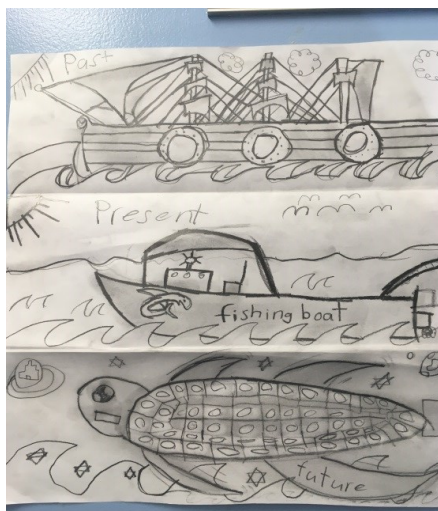
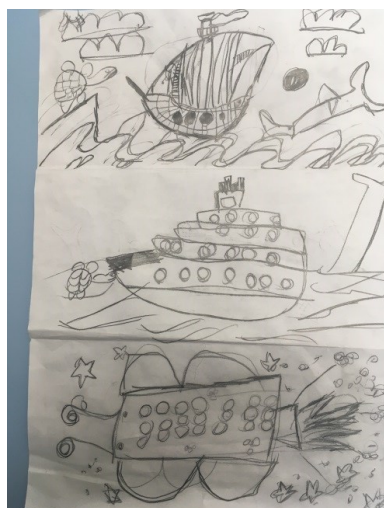


STAGE 1 AND STAGE 2 ART COLLABORATION

Stage 1 are investigating the Past and Present and Stage 2 have been studying the 'First Fleet'. Together we decided to illustrate the past, present and future based on the style of ship from the 'First fleet'. Students divided their paper into 3 sections and were only able to use a pencil and eraser.

Students sketched their ancient ship using lines and shading for the past. In the middle section they illustrated a present day ship again using only a pencil. Finally they were able to create/design a ship of the future and discuss its features and capabilities.

A selection of artworks are on display in the office area.



CESSNOCK CAROLS in the **PARK** ~

Cessnock Showground 6.30pm

Friday 7th Dec 2018

