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Newsletter

Term 1 Week 2

2018



Monday, 12th February

Life Education begins this week.

Meet the Teacher
Kindergarten 3:15pm

Tuesday, 13th February

Meet the Teacher Years 1 & 2
at 3:15pm

Wednesday, 14th February

Meet the Teacher Years 3 & 4
at 3:15pm

Thursday, 15th February

Meet the Teacher Years 5 & 6
at 3:15pm

Every Wednesday from the 21st of February

9 to 10am Parent Café

Friday, 2nd March

GALA Day

Monday, 12th March

AFL Years 1 to 6

Thursday, 15th March

Selective High School Test

MFPS Breaking News....

Healthy Harold Is Coming!

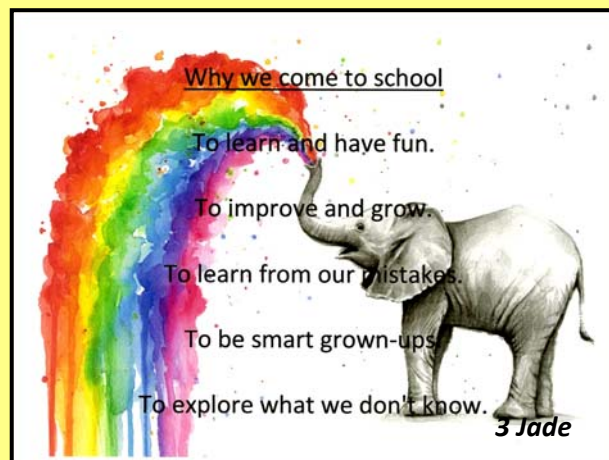
Life Education NSW

12th February - 7th March 2018

Life Education NSW and Healthy Harold are coming to visit our school! Life Education has been successfully supporting drug and health education since 1979.

There are a range of programs appropriate for each Stage. All programs address many important components within the NSW PDHPE curriculum.

The cost for the program is \$8.50 per child. This includes the Life Education session in the van, a student workbook which will be completed in class following our visit and a sticker. Please return notes as soon as possible.



Uniform Shop Information - The Uniform Shop will be open every Tuesday afternoon from 2:15 to 3:15 and every Thursday morning from 8:30 to 9:30. We thank all parents for your patience while we wait for the new school shirts to arrive and we will let everyone know when they are in stock.

Toddler Time - In the library on Friday mornings at 8:30, there will be a new activity for the toddlers of our school community. Please bring your toddler to the library on Friday mornings where Mrs Dennis will be reading stories for them! We hope that your toddlers can come and join in.

School Photos - School photos will be held across two school days due to the population size of the school. K-2 Photos will be on Monday, 26th March and Years 3- 6 photos will be on Thursday, 22nd March. Please ensure that your child is well presented in their full school uniform on school photo day. Further information will follow in a separate note home.

Absences from School - Thank you to all of the parents who have notified the school office on the day, by either phone or email, of their child's absence from school. It is a requirement of the Department of Education for parents/caregivers to notify the school if your child is absent on a daily basis. If you are taking extended leave (more than 5 school days), an Application for Exemption from Attendance at School form (available at the office or on the school website) must be completed at least one month prior to departure. Immediately following an absence, a note must be completed with the reason for an absence and returned to your child's teacher.

What's On in Term 1?

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	5.02.18	6.02.18 <i>First day for Kindergarten</i>	7.02.18 <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	8.02.18 <i>School Banking</i>	9.02.18
3	12.02.18 <i>Life Education begins this week.</i> <i>Kinder Meet the Teacher 3:15pm</i>	13.02.18 <i>Meet the Teacher Years 1 & 2 3:15pm</i>	14.02.18 <i>Campbelltown Performing Arts H.S Year 7, 2019 Info Evening at 6pm</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i> <i>Meet the Teacher Years 3 & 4 at 3:15pm</i>	15.02.18 <i>School Banking</i> <i>Meet the Teacher Year 5 & 6 at 3:15pm</i>	16.02.18
4	19.02.18 <i>Life Education this week</i>	20.02.18	21.02.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	22.02.18 <i>School Banking</i>	23.02.18
5	26.02.18 <i>Life Education this week</i>	27.02.18 <i>Leaders' Induction</i>	28.02.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	1.03.18 <i>School Banking</i>	2.03.18 GALA DAY
6	5.03.18 <i>Life Education this week</i>	6.03.18	7.03.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	8.03.18 <i>School Banking</i>	9.03.18
7	12.03.18 <i>AFL at School Years 1 - 6</i>	13.03.18	14.03.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	15.03.18 <i>School Banking</i> <i>Selective High Schools Test</i>	16.03.18 GALA DAY Audition Applications for CPAHS close.
8	19.03.18	20.03.18	21.03.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	22.03.18 <i>School Photos Years 3-6</i> <i>School Banking</i>	23.03.18
9	26.03.18 <i>School Photos Years K-2</i>	27.03.18	28.03.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	29.03.18 <i>School Banking</i> <i>Easter Hat Parade K-2</i>	30.03.18 Good Friday
10	2.04.18 Easter Monday	3.04.18	4.04.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	5.04.18 <i>School Banking</i>	6.04.18 <i>Walkathon/ Colour Run</i>
11	9.04.18	10.04.18	11.04.18 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup 10am - 12pm (Hall)</i>	12.04.18 <i>School Banking</i>	13.04.18 <i>Last Day of Term</i>

Principal's Report

Welcome back everyone. We extend a warm welcome to our new families and Kindergarten students who started school today. It has been a busy start to term with many unexpected new enrolments and students who have moved house during the holidays.

We have moved into 37 classes. If we get more enrolments there may be a need to restructure into 38 classes. All students have settled back into learning and it was a pleasure to visit classes and discuss goals students are setting for themselves this year.

All parents are invited to visit classrooms for an information session at our Meet the Teacher afternoons next week. These will be held in your child's classroom.

Early Stage One (Kinder) - Monday 12th, February at 3:15pm

Stage One (Years 1 & 2) - Tuesday 13th, February at 3:15pm

Stage Two (Years 3 & 4) - Wednesday 14th, February at 3:15pm

Stage Three (Years 5 & 6) - Thursday 15th, February 3:15pm

Anaphylaxis - At our school, we have students with a severe nut allergy. This is potentially life threatening. To help keep our children safe we ask that you do not send any food that contains nuts or nut products, for example nutella or peanut butter sandwiches. Please see the information sheet in this newsletter.

Selective High School Test - Those students who applied to sit the Selective High School test should have received a letter from the Department of Education providing the details for the test day. Our students will sit the test at Macquarie Fields High School on Thursday, 15th March, 2018, from 9am until 1:30pm, including break time. Students should pack their lunch, recess and a drink.

Safety of our Children

Please think of our children before you- Double park in the drop off zone! Let children out of a car on the road! Do a U turn across unbroken lines! Get out and leave your car in the drop off zone! Cross the road without using the crossing!

I beg you to think of the safety of our most precious children. Sometimes it is worth walking a little further or waiting a little longer to make sure we all keep children safe.

Life Education - We encourage all students to attend the Life Education program as our children love visiting Harold each year and participating in a highly engaging program of learning appropriate for each grade. Send your note and payment as soon as possible.

Voluntary Contribution - I encourage all families to pay our small contribution. This ensures we can offer all the extra art and craft materials in each classroom. Last year I was thrilled as the majority of families saw the importance of this support for our school and made payment promptly.

Crunch and Sip - Please pack fresh fruit or vegetables and water each day as all classes participate in crunch and sip during the morning learning session.

I am looking forward to seeing many parents next week at our Meet the Teacher afternoons.

Kerrie Hayman

Principal

Rule of the Week: Be Safe!

Be Safe in the playground by using our No, Go, Tell.

Say: "No, stop it, I don't like it".

Do: Go away from the problem.

Do: Tell an adult.

Teachers are looking out for students who are being safe in the playground and classroom.

Think about what you can do in the playground to keep everyone safe.





Campbelltown Performing Arts High School
Beverley Road, Campbelltown

Year 7, 2019 Information Evening
14th February, 2018 at 6.00pm

Campbelltown Performing Arts High School will be holding a Year 6 Information Evening on **14 February, 2018** for all prospective students or those interested in attending our high school in the future.

This evening will provide you with an opportunity to:

- see our innovative, integrated Year 7 curriculum in action, in purpose-built learning spaces.
- meet key personnel
- develop an understanding of the school's key directions and programs.
- tour the school's state-of-the-art facilities
- gain information about the enrolment and audition process.

Auditions for Year 7, 2019 will be held on the
3rd, 4th, 5th, & 6th April, 2018.

Application forms will be available on this evening or our school
Website: www.cpahs.nsw.edu.au

Audition applications close 16th March, 2018.
For more information please call our Performing Arts Faculty on
02 4625 1403.

Commonwealth Bank School Banking

Hi Everyone,

Welcome back to another great year of banking in 2018! This year there are new Dollar-mite rewards available for your 10 tokens. There will be a brochure coming to everyone's child with all the new information in relation to banking for this year. Please **change your class on the front of your book** so we can get it back to your new class. If you haven't banked for a while, we would love to see you back saving again. If you have a child who has gone off to high school they can still bank through us if you still have a child here at our school, otherwise you can continue banking through any Commonwealth branch until they are 18. If you would like to open a 'youth saver' account, please come and see us at the banking table **every Thursday** near the canteen, we are more than happy to help!

Happy Saving!

Your friendly school banking team.



Announcement: Term 1 Music Bus Enrolments Open

The Music Bus are taking new student enrolments for Term 1. The program is open for all students from K to 6. Running weekdays at School. The Music Bus have limited availability in Singing, Keyboard, Guitar, Drum and Ukulele and so it is advised to enrol asap.

The Music Bus is a wonderful music program that many of our students are already enjoying – a brilliant and cost-effective way for students to get fun and specialist music lessons without parents having to travel all over the area after school. Cost of lessons is only \$16 per week (Drums \$18).

If you're interested in your child having music lessons through The Music Bus, check out their website at www.themusicbus.com.au or call 1300 168 742



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