



Neutral Bay Public School

NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM DATES

**TERM 4 ends Wednesday 18
Dec 2019**

**TERM 1 Wednesday 29 Jan
2020 Yr 1-6 start**

**Thursday 30 Jan Yr 5 OC start
at 10am**

Monday 3 February

Kindergarten start

TERM 1 ends Thursday 9 April

**TERM 2 Tuesday 28 April to
Friday 3 July**

**TERM 3 Tuesday 21 July to
Friday 25 September**

**TERM 4 Monday 12 October to
Wednesday 16 December**

Principal's News

Congratulations to Warung, the Term 4 Winning House!

Students in Warung were treated to a surprise visit last week from Sydney Buses. North Sydney Bus Depot nominated Neutral Bay Public School to decorate a bus with Christmas decorations. As part of their Winning House treat, they excitedly decked the bus with tinsel, Christmas craft and decorations. Congratulations to our Warung students, as Neutral Bay Public School was judged to be the winner of the competition this year.

P & C Association AGM

Thank you to all the parents who have attended and contributed to P & C Meetings in 2019, as well as the coordinators and P & C Executive who have given generously of their time and energy to the school. In particular, thank you to our outgoing President, Ms Sharmila Soorian, for enthusiastically representing the parents and citizens of NBPS and working hard to make improvements to the school for the benefit of our students. There is currently a vacancy for the President and Vice-President position for 2020.

Thank you also to the P & C Executive who stepped down last week and have generously served the school community over the past years. They are:

- Ms Sharmila Soorian, President
- Mr Tim Hawes, Vice-President;
- Mrs Jenny Spillane, Secretary;

Mr Glen Griffen will continue as Vice-President and Mrs Mirjam Roos is Secretary next year. Congratulations to Mrs Fumi Rice who will be P & C Association Treasurer next year.

Staff News

This week we will say farewell to Mrs Rachel Keeling, Relieving Assistant Principal ES1, who has accepted a transfer to another school. Miss Amy Cohn, Miss Brooke Saltmarsh and Miss Sarah Butcher are also leaving Neutral Bay PS and we send our best wishes for their future careers. I would like to thank these teachers for their dedicated service to the school.

We wish Mrs Lauren Chapman and her husband Justin best wishes on the impending birth of her baby next year and we can't wait to meet 'baby Chapman'.

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Principal's News Continue

2020 School Year - Important Dates

A reminder for the start of the 2020 School year:

- Years 1 – 6 resume on Wednesday 29 January at 9.10am. Students will return to their 2019 classes initially until we confirm exact student numbers to form 2020 classes.
- Year 5 Opportunity Class students commence Thursday 30 January at 10.00 am.
- Kindergarten 2020 commence on Monday 3 February at 9.30am for A-K surnames and 10.00am for L-Z, following Best Start interviews.

Student Requirements 2020

Included in this Newsletter is a list of Student Requirements we would like each of the students to have for next year. It would be appreciated if all students are attired in their Neutral Bay Public School uniform. This includes black shoes (no white soles or other coloured markings) to be worn on all days other than the nominated sport days.

Year 6 Farewell

Everyone had a wonderful time last night officially farewelling our Year 6 students. The night was very special and we enjoyed a delicious dinner and disco at Norths. Thank you Ms Ariane Kiel and the team of parents who worked with such vision and commitment to create a memorable night the students. Thank you also to Ms Katie Strahan for baking the amazing Year 6 cake. Finally, thank you to Miss Kate Murray for her inspiring organisational work.

Farewell to Families

Many families who have been a very important part of the school community left today. I would like to thank all of our departing families for their generous contributions to the school and offer my best wishes for the future.

Happy Holidays

I hope everyone has a merry Christmas and enjoyable holiday. The students have worked really hard this year and deserve a restful break. Thank you to our wonderful teachers and school executive for their inspiring contributions and we look forward to seeing everyone in 2020.

Kind regards,

Judy Goodsell
Principal



NBPS Student Requirements 2020

<p><u>Year 1</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 whiteboard markers (2 per term) • 4 glue sticks (1 per term) • 1 paint shirt • 1 set headphones or earbuds (labelled in a bag) • 1 Library bag • 2 box tissues • 2 roll paper towel 	<p><u>Year 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 pencil case (small) • 8 lead pencils • 1 set coloured pencils • 1 set textas • 1 pencil sharpener (with catcher) • 1 eraser • 1 pair scissors • 2 highlighters • 8 whiteboard markers (2 per term) • 8 glue sticks (2 per term) • 1 Paint shirt • 1 set headphones or earbuds • 1 Library bag • 2 box tissues • 2 roll paper towel 	<p><u>Year 3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 pencil case (small) • 8 HB pencils • 1 set coloured pencils • 1 set textas • 1 pencil sharpener (with catcher) • 1 eraser • 1 pair scissors • 2 highlighters • 8 whiteboard markers (2 per term) • 8 glue sticks (2 per term) • 1 set headphones or earbuds • 30cm ruler showing millimetres (not flexible or metal) • 1 memory stick (8gb) • 1 Library bag • 1 paint shirt • 2 box tissues • 2 roll paper
<p><u>Year 4</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 pencil case (small) • 8 HB pencils • 1 set coloured pencils • 1 set textas • 1 pencil sharpener (with catcher) • 1 eraser • 1 pair scissors • 2 highlighters • 8 whiteboard markers (2 per term) • 2 glue sticks • 1 set headphones or earbuds • 30cm ruler showing millimetres (not flexible or metal) • 1 memory stick (8gb) • 1 Library bag • 1 paint shirt • 2 box tissues • 2 roll paper towel 	<p><u>Year 5</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 pencil case • 8 blue biro (2 per term) • 8 red biro (2 per term) • 8 HB lead pencils (2 per term) • 2 2B pencils • 1 eraser • 1 set coloured pencils or twist up crayons • 8 glue sticks (2 per term) • 1 memory stick (8gb) • 2 highlighters • 30cm ruler showing millimetres (not flexible or metal) • Geometry set • 1 Library bag • 1 Plastic envelope folder • 1 set headphones or earbuds • 1 paint shirt • 2 box tissues • 2 roll paper towel 	<p><u>Year 6</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 pencil case • 8 blue biro (2 per term) • 8 red biro (2 per term) • 8 HB lead pencils (2 per term) • 2 2B pencils • 1 eraser • 1 set coloured pencils or twist up crayons • 8 glue sticks (2 per term) • 1 memory stick (8gb) • 2 highlighters • Post-it notes • 1 pair scissors • 30cm ruler showing millimetres (not flexible or metal) • Geometry set • 1 Library bag • 1 Plastic envelope folder • 1 set headphones or earbuds • 1 paint shirt • 2 box tissues • 2 roll paper towel

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge (or PRC) is a state-wide challenge which encourages students from Kindergarten to Year 6 to read a certain amount of books each year and record these titles online, as a way of fostering a love of reading and of quality literature. It is not a competition, but a challenge to each student - to read, to read more and to read widely.

The Premier's Reading Challenge booklists opens doors to a rich collection of children's literature, including fiction, non-fiction, picture books, poetry and drama, as well as to a wide variety of Australian authors. This year, 192 students undertook this exciting challenge at Neutral Bay Public School and we would like to extend our congratulations for their wonderful efforts over the year.

The following Super Readers have earned a Platinum or Gold certificate as a result of their participation in this challenge over a number of years.

Platinum Certificate (Participation for 7 consecutive years)

- Novak Pejovic

Gold Certificate (Participation for 4 consecutive years)

- Jack Baldwin
- Mitchell Cummings
- Sophie Firek
- Cecilia Lung
- Niamh Reay
- Aurelia Samuels
- Sarah Wang
- Ziggy Ward

Congratulations to these students for their amazing achievement. All Platinum, Gold and Participation certificates will be handed out to our students this week. Thank you to Ms Janine Mazey for her efforts in coordinating this valuable challenge.

Genevieve Carnegie

Assistant Principal & Curriculum Leader



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Premier's Reading Challenge participants

Kindergarten

Harry	A	Alfie	J	Sebastian	R
Anika	A	Jimmy	J	Sophie	S
Paya	A	Hugo	J	Kaiya	S
Patrick	A	Dia	K	Lillian	S
Jackson	A	Yuya	K	Autumn	S
Harlow	B	Henry	K	Holly	S
Alfie	B	Haneul	K	Tatiana	S
William	B	Zoe	K	Charles	S
Winter	B	Morrison	K	Tom	S
Spencer	B	Narelle	L	Pitha	S
Jarrah	B	Clara	L	Emma	S
Mia	B	Lucas	L	Alice	T
Lily	B	Cleo	L	Yumi	T
Oliver	C	Aiden	L	Emily	T
Kenneth	C	Josh	L	Tamara	T
Chloe	C	Eva	L	Isla	T
Sam	C	Lola	M	Emily	T
Billy	C	Frances	M	Ayla	U
Henry	D	Albie	M	Frank	U
Emily	D	Teerth	M	Ava	V
Archie	D	James	M	Lucy	V
Eddie	D	Madison	M	Noah	V
Richard	d	Lily	M	Joy	W
Dayus	D	Harrison	M	Harry	W
Douglas	D	Orla	M	Jacob	W
Angus	D	Emilie	M	Julian	W
Glenn	E	Matilda	M	Harrison	W
Willow	E	George	N	Imogen	W
Hana	F	Atiksh	N	Will	W
Carmel	F	Thomas	N	Isla	W
Natalie	F	Marcus	N	Miya	W
Audrey	G	Helena	O	Barnaby	Y
Emmeline	G	Henry	O	Alice	Y
Gordon	G	Sienna	O	Alwin	Y
Easton	G	Isaac	O	Tiffany	Y
Cecilia	G	Bertie	O	Xander	Z
Scarlett	H	Nathan	P	Sophia	Z
Benjamin	H	Penelope	P		
Harry	H	Rohan	P		
Louis	H	Aliya	Q		
Natalie	H	Blake	R		
James	H	Braden	R		
Annabelle	H	Harry	R		
Natasha	H	Caitlin	R		
Edward	H	Macey	R		
Will	J	Charles	R		
		Polly	R		

Year 1

Patrick	C
Henry	D
Annabelle	D
Noah	D
Sophia	K
Isabelle	L
Marcus	L
Andre	L

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Premier's Reading Challenge participants

Anoushka	P	Min Joon	S
Dia	S	Leo	V
Ashton	W		
Ally	W		

Grade 2

Escher	A	Joel	A
Shree	B	Daniel	B
Sophie	C	Sophie	F
Mason	K	Cecilia	L
Mia	S	Georgina	M
Isabelle	V	Novak	P
		Samuel	R
		Sophie	R
		Lucian	S

Grade 3

Jack	B
Mitchell	C
Pyper	C
Oscar	H
Paddy	H
Evan	J
Niamh	R
Aurelia	S
Noah	V

Grade 4

Naomi	B
Danny	C
Renee	C
Phebe	C
Imogen	D
Nathalie	L
Nicholas	M
Tom	M
Aaliyah	P
Sarah	W
Ziggy	W

Grade 5

Julia	D
Tara	D
Charlotte	F
Makayla	H
Leonston	H
Hamish	J
Arya	M
Felix	M
Kitty	S
Archie	S





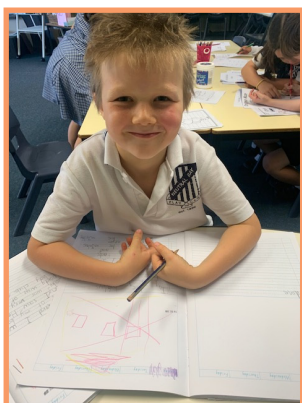
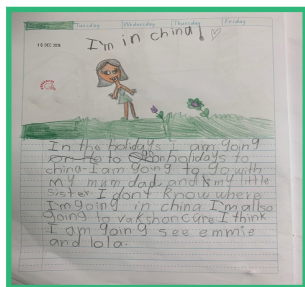
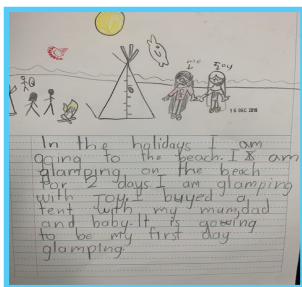




Kindergarten News

As we come to the end of Term 4, the KB children are feeling very proud and happy about their wonderful first year of school. The Kindergarten children have grown and progressed so much over the year and are eager to continue to challenge themselves as they enter Year 1.

KB have been busy in the last week of school with making creative Christmas artworks and writing descriptive texts about their holiday plans. We wish everyone a safe and relaxing break.



Stage 1 News (Years 1 & 2)

1T and the rest of Year 1 had such an amazing time at our picnic day at Forsyth Park. We played outdoor games and enjoyed sharing treats with our friends. What an amazing year we have had, with so many memories including Book Week, our excursion to Vaucluse House and our Science incursion. We are sad to say goodbye to Year 1 but are SO excited about starting Year 2 after the break. Merry Christmas and see you next year!



Stage 2 News (Years 3 & 4)



4C have had a wonderful year, full of excitement, challenge and progress.

We have worked hard to achieve our personal best and to ensure that we have been focused learners.

In 4C, we have had lots of fun, made new friendships and enjoyed each other's company.

We have worked hard to write creative and engaging pieces of writing and enjoyed the challenges of solving difficult maths problems.

4C wish the Neutral Bay community a wonderful and restful holiday.

Miss A. Cohn - 4C Class Teacher

Stage 3 News (Years 5 & 6)

This week we farewell our beautiful Year 6 students. They have been fantastic role models, leaders and it has been a joy to watch them grow and develop over the past 7 years!

Beatrice Dahl shares some of her experiences:

"It has been such a long time from where we've come,

From Kindy to Year 6, we'll never be the same

From our toughest times to the least

I gotta admit,

that I loved Year 6 every single bit!

I loved how my teachers and friends helped me grow,
into the person I am right now, never low!

And when our class went on such amazing trips,
the music was lit and made us move our hips!

Let's go back to the start of the year to see what has re-appeared,

Our forever memories will never disappear.

When I first got called out to be in Miss Moir's class,

I jumped up to cheer, "My year will be a blast!"

On Friday, Yearbooks were handed out, and tears were shed as the students reminisced on their amazing time together this year and throughout primary school.

We wish all Year 6 students the best of luck for high school and beyond and look forward to their visit early next year!

Miss P. Moir - 6P Class Teacher

P & C News

Sadly, Ms Rachel Miller, the School Orchestra conductor is leaving us after 12 years of service to the School. Rachel has been amazing and has helped the Orchestra grow in numbers over the years from 6 students to now 30 students and over 2 groups of Senior Chamber and Orchestra. The Orchestra and the Senior Chamber have in the past received placement and high commended results in the Eisteddfod competitions. We thank Rachel for her inspiration and support over the years.

We would like to wish Rachel, Mark and Lily all the best with their exciting move to the Southern Highlands. We will miss you.

Senior Chamber & Orchestra



School Picnic

The end of year School Picnic on Friday 6 December was a success. Thank you to Jane Stevens and Vanessa Baumer-Rowley for organising the event. Thank you also to Denis O'Brien for being the DJ for the night. It was an enjoyable evening to finish off the school year. The P&C made a profit of \$3000 from the sausages, hot dogs, hot chips, chips, drinks, donated baked goods and fairy floss.



The Bay Times

Another turning point, a fork stuck in the road.

On Tuesday night, we had a farewell dinner to Year 6 students and their families who are graduating this year. While it is an exciting journey ahead for the Year 6 children, it's also a sad goodbye to the parents and families who are seeing their last child through at Neutral Bay Public. Some families have been at the school for more than 11 years and have made significant contributions to the school. To the teachers of Year 6 - thank you for the exceptional job you have done in providing quality teaching and learning programs.

A special mention to:

- Kate Murray & Ariane Kiel for organising the event!
- Gervaise Samuels, Lauren Sampson & France Beaulieu for putting together the wonderful neon decorations
- Lucinda Conlon & Fiona Leaf for organising the programs
- Belle Jackson for speaking on behalf of the Year 6 parents
- Jacqueline Veran for arranging the photographer and music for the evening
- Stephen Rutherford for taking photos throughout the evening
- Katie Strahan for creating and baking the fabulous graduation cake
- Robert Gibson for spending countless hours putting together the Year 6 Slideshow
- Belinda Lucas for arranging the parent and student invitations
- Lisa Connor-Brent and Kate Juniper for organising the parent function

To all the parent helpers and volunteers on the night, thank you for making it a memorable night for the graduation children. We hope to see all the graduating children and P&C alumnus in the future to come in to the school. Drop in to see the teachers, or however our paths may cross, to say hello and to hear all your exciting news and achievements.

To the graduating class of 2019, we will miss you and all the best for high school!

Sharmila Soorian

P&C President



P&C Executive for 2020

It has been a very busy year in 2019 and I have now served 3 years as your President. Sadly, my term as President has now come to an end in accordance with the P&C Constitution. I have the privilege of working with an outstanding group of people and I am pleased to report the continued success of the P&C, which is entirely due to the dedicated volunteers who continue to place the School community as a high priority in their often busy lives. Our volunteers are critical to the ongoing events, fundraising, uniform shop, canteen and band & orchestra programs. The contribution of these volunteers is highly valued and greatly appreciated by the P&C and I ask that all members of the School community find the time to acknowledge and thank these volunteers for their contribution.

I wanted to thank the entire P&C Executive team for their tireless efforts during 2019. This year will see the end of the term for our Vice-President, Tim Hawes who has served 3 years on the Executive, Jenni Spillane who also served 3 years as Treasurer, Vanessa Baumer-Rowley who served 3 years as Fundraising Officer. I personally want to thank them for their enormous contribution to the P&C and the School over the past years. To our outgoing team members Tim, Jenni, Vanessa, I would like to extend my gratitude for their dedication and commitment to the children, families and community of Neutral Bay Public School.

Finally, on behalf of the parents and the entire School community, I wish to acknowledge the incredible contribution that Principal Mrs Judy Goodsell, Deputy Principals Mr Victor Tan and Ms Heather Strachan, and the teaching and administrative staff continue to deliver for our children, the students. Accordingly, the P&C extends its gratitude for their amazing professionalism, dedication and support in 2019.

The President's Annual Report for 2019, can be found [here](#)

Please join me in wishing the following nominated and appointed P&C Executive all the best for 2020. We are still looking for a President, a Vice-President, Assistant Treasurer, Canteen Coordinator and Concert Band Coordinator.

NBPS P&C Association 2020

President

VACANT

Vice Presidents

Glen Giffen

VACANT

Secretary

Mirjam Roos

Treasurer

Fumi Rice

Assistant Treasurer

VACANT

Canteen Coordinator

VACANT

Uniform Shop

Sarah Wilson-Brown

Band

Katie Duncan, Tracy Harrington-Hawes, VACANT for Concert Band, Heather Macdonald

Functions/Fundraising

Jane Stevens

Communications Officer

Liz Henry







