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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CONGRATULATIONS AWARD RECIPIENTS



Two of our incredible MCs from yesterday's awards presentation.

By **JUDY GOODSSELL**
Neutral Bay Public School
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

The Neutral Bay Public School Girls Chess Team of Sarah, Kylie, Katie and Jocelyn came fourth at the Australian School's Chess Championships on the weekend. This was a magnificent effort after winning the NSW Championship earlier this term. We are very proud of their achievements.

SRC ACTIVITY

We are excited that our Year 6 SRC members have an important job to attend to today. They are decorating the bus from North Sydney Bus Depot with Christmas Decorations as the entry for the Depot in the Northern Metropolitan Christmas Bus Decoration Competition. We hope to see the bus travelling into the city displaying our students' creative, festive decorations.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 13: Reports emailed to parents

DEC 13: Year 6 Farewell

DEC 14: Stage 2 Picnic Day

DEC 14: Year 2 Picnic Day

DEC 15: Stage 3 Picnic Day

DEC 15: Winning House Day

TERM DATES

DEC 16: Students' Last Day

DEC 17: Staff Development Day

FEB 1-3: Kindy Best Start

FEB 1: First Day for Years 1-6

FEB 2: First Day for Year 5OC

FEB 4: First Day for Kindergarten

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jaydn (KC) for being awarded runner-up in the Felicity Wilson Christmas Card Competition. Jaydn will receive his award tomorrow when Ms Wilson visits the school.

YEAR 5 SRC ELECTIONS

Congratulations to the students in Year 5 who presented Student Representative Councillor (SRC) speeches last week. The speeches were excellent. SRC and School Captain announcements will be made at tomorrow's Year 5 Presentation Day Assembly.

YEAR 5 AND 6 PRESENTATION DAY ASSEMBLY RECORDING

The School Photographer is recording the Years 5 and 6 Presentation Day Assemblies on Friday. A link to view and download the video will be emailed to parents in Week 11.

FAREWELL TEACHERS

We will be bidding farewell to the following teachers at the end of this year. We wish them all the best for their future careers as teachers and school leaders:

- Ms Daisy Hanmer has been appointed permanently to another school. We are very appreciative of her outstanding commitment and teaching practice and will certainly miss her warm and positive presence. Ms Hanmer has been a teacher at Neutral Bay Public School for five years.
- Mr Oliver Knight has secured a position at another school. Mr Knight has taught Year 6 at Neutral Bay Public School for the past two years and we are appreciative of his caring and professional teaching service to students, staff and parents/carers as well as his contributions to sport.
- Ms Larissa Josephson has accepted an appointment at ANZAC Park Public School as teacher working with students in the Special Education Unit. Ms Josephson has been a teacher at Neutral Bay PS for five years and we are grateful for her contributions to our dance and sport programs and outstanding service and passion for nurturing and engaging her students in the classroom.
- Mr Will MacInnes has been a highly professional and outstanding educator at our school for six years and has also been an important part of our leadership team in a relieving capacity, currently Assistant Principal Stage 3. We congratulate him on his appointment to another school which will provide him with exciting opportunities as an educational leader.

- Ms Tara Lopez is a School Administrative Officer and has been employed at Neutral Bay Public School for six years. Ms Lopez has accepted a managerial position with an educational provider and we appreciate her creativity and administrative skills to publish the weekly newsletter and provide exceptional service to the school community. We will miss her friendly and warm presence each day.

SEMESTER 2 REPORTS

Semester 2 Student Reports will be emailed to parents/carers on Monday 13 December. Based on Department of Education Guidelines, the Reports have been adjusted in recognition of the impact of the home learning program. These guidelines provide for an assessment using a three point scale against modified syllabus indicators that account for Learning From Home for English and Mathematics. There is also a five-point scale for effort included, as well as a general comment.

END OF YEAR PICNICS

Next week, the students will have a picnic day to celebrate the end of the school year. As a lead up to this day, students should not bring in confectionary to eat at school.

LAST DAY OF TERM 4

The last day of Term 4 for students is Thursday 16 December and all students are expected to attend. Staff will be at school on Friday 17 December for a school development day. This day will be used for staff professional development.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2022

- Staff Development Day Friday 28 January
- OC students and parents/carers school tour Friday 28 January 12.00pm
- Staff Development Day Monday 31 January
- Students Years 1 to 6 return to school on Tuesday 1 February
- Year 5 Opportunity Class Orientation morning Tuesday 1 February 9.45am
- Kindergarten Best Start Assessments Tuesday 1 February, Wednesday 2 February and Thursday 3 February
- Year 5 Opportunity Class students commence Wednesday 2 February 9.45am
- Kindergarten first full day on Friday 4 February

TRAVELLING OVERSEAS IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

If you are travelling overseas during the upcoming holiday period, please read the current guidelines below so that you can take this into consideration for the return to school. Please also understand that these may change between now and next year.

In accordance with NSW Health guidelines for fully vaccinated arrivals, your child must have a COVID-19 nose and throat PCR test:

- Within 24 hours of arriving in NSW
- On or after day 7 after arriving in NSW
- In accordance with the NSW Government guidelines on 28 November, your child must self-isolate for at least 72 hours after arriving in NSW
- These results must be sent to the school via email
- Until the school receives a negative COVID-19 test result via email, students are not permitted to return to school
- If your child develops any symptoms of COVID-19 at any time, they must immediately get tested for COVID-19 and isolate until they receive a negative result. Students cannot return to school until they are symptom free.

If your child is not fully vaccinated (which would be most of our children at this stage, apart from a few Year 6 students who may be eligible for vaccinations), they must have a COVID-19 nose and throat PCR test:

- Within 24 hours of arriving in NSW
- On day 5 or 6 after arriving in NSW
- They must self-isolate for at least 7 days after arriving in NSW
- They must receive a negative COVID-19 test result, taken on day 5 or 6 after arriving in NSW
- These results must be sent to the school via email at neutralbay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au before your child's return to school.

If your child travels overseas during the December/January school holidays and returns to Australia within 7 days prior to 1 February 2022, please adhere to the above advice and email their negative COVID-19 test result to the school prior to returning to school.

SCHOOL INVOICES

It would be appreciated if all outstanding 2021 school invoices could be paid promptly so that our office administrators can finalise accounts for the year. Thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

NOT RETURNING TO NBPS IN 2022

If your child will not be returning to Neutral Bay Public School in 2022, please complete the following form <https://forms.gle/HMpF7Yb8uECg-PBgt6>.

SCHOOL NEWS

MATH OLYMPIAD

The Math Olympiad is a mathematics competition that aims to teach problem solving techniques. High achieving students in Years 5 & 6 are invited to take part.

Students in the Years 5 and 6 Neutral Bay Opportunity Classes competed in three tests, each consisting of 5 questions and completed in a 30 minute session. All the questions were challenging, some with varying difficulties, and we had to use different strategies to find the correct answers. We enjoyed this experience and found it a great opportunity to expand our knowledge in problem solving.

Congratulations to the following students who received special recognition for their efforts:

- Jack B received a special award for having the top result in Year 5.
- Sam C received a special achievement award for improvement throughout the duration of the competition
- Danny C, Sarah W, Ada W and Zachary H received perfect scores which placed them in the top 2% of students in the state.

Some photos of our award recipients are included in the photo gallery on pages 11 and 12 in this week's newsletter.

NATALIE B & KYLIE R

FROM THE P&C

By **MARIE KOSHY**
P&C COMMUNICATIONS
COORDINATOR

TWILIGHT FAMILY PICNIC

Please note the date of Friday, 10 December 2021, for a get together on the school grounds, prior to the close of the school year. It will be a lovely opportunity for families of the Neutral Bay Community to come together, particularly after the tough year we have all had!

Sausage sizzle, pizza and soft drinks will be available, as well as a disco for the children in the hall. Don't forget your picnic blanket!

When: Friday, 10 December 2021

Time: 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Where: School grounds

What: BBQ, pizza and soft drinks will be available to buy. Alternatively, you can bring your own picnic.

Weather : Please keep your fingers crossed for no rain! We will advise cancelling due to weather by Thursday afternoon, 9 December 2021.

Please register your interest in attending the picnic [HERE](#).

Volunteers needed - please register your availability to help out with the barbeque [HERE](#).

SAUSAGE SANDWICH AT THE CANTEEN

Sausage sandwiches (\$3 each) are available to order from Flexischool for lunches from Tuesday, 7 December, until stock runs out. Make sure you get your order in to avoid missing out!

FOR TEACHERS AND STAFF - TAB AT CAFE ZOZO

The P&C are opening up a tab at Cafe ZoZo for the final 2 weeks of term as a thank you to the teachers and staff in appreciation of their efforts to settle students into school routines during challenging times.

2022 MAGNET CALENDARS

This week, we will be distributing a 2022 magnet calendar to all students as a way for the P&C to say a BIG THANK YOU for your community spirit this year; for participating in or volunteering at this year's P&C activities. The calendar will be sent to your child's classrooms for them to take home. We hope it serves as a practical addition to your fridges in 2022!

Please note, included with the calendar will be information and offers from some of the P&C's sponsors this year. We thank them also for their support during this trying year for businesses.


If families have missed out on the magnet calendar with the Neutral Bay Club membership offer, please find attached the QR code to redeem the membership offer.

MANY THANKS - ELECTION BARBEQUE

The P&C would like to thank all the volunteers who helped out with the Election BBQ Fundraiser on 4 December 2021. Your time and effort helped with fundraising for much needed canteen equipment.


We wish you all a fun, safe, and restful summer holiday break and look forward to doing it all again in 2022!

NEUTRAL BAY CLUB OFFER



2 for 1 HOUSE MEMBERSHIPS

- ★ DISCOUNTS AT THE BAR & BISTRO
- ★ EARN \$ ON EVERY PURCHASE
- ★ SIGN IN VISITORS FAMILY & FRIENDS
- ★ INVITATION TO MEMBERS ONLY EVENTS



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COMMUNITY NEWS



**MUSIC-DRAMA-ROBOTICS
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Start your child's musical journey

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SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY



Summer Holiday Workshops 4 - 21 January Ages 8 - 18

Spend this summer dancing on the harbour!

Sydney Dance Company's Summer Holiday Workshops offer three unique streams: Contemporary & Ballet, Commercial Dance and Beginner Dance. Dancers aged 8 - 11, 12 - 14 and 15 - 18 can improve their technique and explore their creativity in a fun and inspiring environment!

Our workshops are led by the best teachers in the industry, including former Company dancer Victor Zarallo and Loredo Malcolm who is currently performing in *Hamilton*.

Summer Youth Intensive 17 - 21 January Ages 15 - 18

Take your technique to the next level with our Summer Youth Intensive program. Learn Sydney Dance Company repertoire and challenge yourself with classes in technique, improvisation, and creative development.

Places in the Youth Intensive are by application only and is ideal for young dancers aged 15-18 years who are looking to extend their contemporary dance skills, explore their creativity and prepare for full-time training.

CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHER

Sydney Dance Company is a Creative Kids provider! If you're a parent, guardian or carer, you can claim a \$100 towards the cost of any workshop or intensive program using a 2021 or 2022 Creative Kids voucher.

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Amoroso 😍
Sorprendido 😲
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Enojado 😡

Buenos días!!!

Enrolment is **now open** for Term 1 2022.
It is a Spanish Course starting second week with morning lessons.
7:45 to 8:45 pm on Friday at the
Neutral Bay Public School.

Interested?

Please email
spanishschoolau@gmail.com
to advise of your interest in a course for your institution.
And we will send you more information about the course.

Contact us

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