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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

TIME TO SHINE



Our year 6 timekeeper from the Premier's Debating Challenge.

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

CONGRATULATIONS GEORGIE!

We are extremely proud and delighted to announce that

Georgie Sampson (5K) has been selected as a Featured Artist for the 2022 Schools Spectacular performance. This is a wonderful achievement for Georgie and we look forward to watching her perform at the Spectacular later in the year.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUG 11:** K-2 Athletics Carnival
- AUG 15:** Wellbeing Week
- AUG 15-19:** English ICAS
- AUG 22-26:** Book Week

Neutral Bay Public School Choir will also be performing in the concert.

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Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to acknowledge the Cammeraygal people of the Eora Nation, who are the traditional custodians of the land in the Neutral Bay area.

We pay our respects to the Elders, both past and present, for they hold the memories, the tradition, the cultures, and the hopes of Aboriginal Australia.

We must always remember that under the concrete and asphalt upon which Neutral Bay Public School is built, the land is, was and always will be traditional Aboriginal land.

NATIONAL FINAL OF KIDS' LIT QUIZ

Two Neutral Bay PS teams have progressed to the National Final of Kids' Lit Australia. This is a wonderful achievement for the school, and we wish both teams good luck for the final to be held at the State Library on Friday.

YEARS 3-6 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The 2022 Years 3 to 6 Athletics Carnival was held yesterday, with a friendly team spirit pervading all activities. Thank you to our students who tried so hard to achieve their personal best and enjoy the day. The House Captains and Vice-Captains were inspiring in their leadership of our sports houses, and I was very impressed by all our students' behaviour, manners and friendly encouragement. There were some very strong performances in both the field and athletics events by our athletes who have progressed to zone level.

Thank you to Mr Rob Kessler, Mr Kyle Sheather and the committee of teachers who organised the event and ensured the smooth success of the day. Thank you to the parents who assisted, cheered and supported the students. Thank you also to the teachers who helped to make the carnival such a special day.

Full results of the Athletics Carnival and Field Events will be published in next week's newsletter. The Zone Field Events and Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday 24 August and Friday 26 August respectively at ES Marks Oval in Randwick.

We look forward to our K-2 Athletics Carnival to be held at Forsyth Park tomorrow. Thank you to Ms Jen Carew and the K-2 Sports Committee for organising the carnival.

BOOK WEEK MONDAY 22 - FRIDAY 26 AUGUST

The Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week was first celebrated in 1946 as a means of bringing words, images and stories into the hearts and minds of Australian Children. The theme for this year is 'Dreaming with my eyes open'. We look forward to celebrating Book Week again this year across the school with scheduled events.

On Monday 22 August from 2:20 to 2:50pm, the students will visit three teachers of their choice where they will have a book read to them. Teachers will be selecting their favourite book to share.

On Wednesday 24 August at 2:00pm, K-6 students will take part in a book character parade. Students are encouraged to dress up as one of their favourite book characters. Parents are welcome to attend. We trust all our students will get involved and excited about this special day.

Further information regarding planned Book Week activities are outlined on page 5 in this week's newsletter.

Thank you to Ms Genevieve Carnegie and the teachers on the English Committee for organising Book Week.

WELLBEING WEEK

Next week is Wellbeing Week. This term, our theme is "SO Social". After a number of years of social distancing, learning from home and interrupted school routines, there's no denying that this has had an impact on our students' wellbeing and in particular their social skills. During Wellbeing Week, the teachers are going to carve out time in their busy timetables to focus on the explicit teaching of social skills and creating opportunities for students to interact with one another in a safe manner. During this week, we will be releasing a number of resources to parents that may help you to assist your child to strengthen their social skill outside of the classroom as well!

GOOD LUCK

We wish the following teams good luck this week:

- The Florimo 7's Rugby League Team
- The Round 4 debaters in the Premier's Debating Competition.



SCHOOL NEWS

BOOKMARK DESIGN COMPETITION

Celebrate Children's Book Week with Stanton Library's Bookmark Design Competition.

Showcase your artistic skill and creative flair by designing your very own bookmark, with winning designs being printed and distributed for use through the Library service.

Grab an entry form in person at Stanton Library or [download one here](#). Entries can be submitted in person, via email, or uploaded online through the [online form](#).

- Entrants must be aged between 3 - 18 years (inclusive) as of Sunday 21 August 2022.
- Each entry must be original work and completed on the competition template. It must include a completed entry form alongside the signature of the entrant's parent or guardian.
- Stanton Library is authorised to display and publish all entries. Entries cannot be returned once submitted.
- Stanton Library must receive each entry no later than **11:59pm on Sunday 21 August 2022**.

Winning entries will be announced during Children's Book Week, **from Saturday 20 - Friday 26 August 2022**.

Winning designs will be made into bookmarks and distributed through Stanton Library. Each winner will receive 20 copies of their winning design bookmark and a book pack donated by Walker Books Australia.



PARTIAL ABSENCES

Teacher quality is the single most important in-school factor influencing student achievement (Hattie, 2009). However, the relationship between teacher quality and student achievement is mediated by students' time in the classroom.

Arriving at school on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day.
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine.
- Give students time to greet their friends before class.
- Reduces classroom disruption.

Attendance is recorded each day. Staff (including casual staff) are trained in school procedures around partial absences. In the case of late arrival or early departure, the office must record the precise time of arrival or departure.

Students should present to the office with their parent/carer when they arrive at school after 9:10am or leave school before 3:15pm.

Students are expected to be at school for the whole school day. Where possible, appointments with doctors, dentists, etc., should be made outside school hours. If you need to collect your child during school hours, please come to the school office, where the absence will be recorded, and you will be issued a partial absence slip for your child.

Late arrival and early departure are recorded on our rolls with an unjustified code. This appears on school reports.

This term, our school will be participating in a trial of an SMS messaging system that sends a semi-automated daily text message to parents of children who present late to school without an explanation. This will ask parents to provide a reason for the absence. This system will also allow the school to inform parents quickly via SMS if unforeseen circumstances arise, such as a grade excursion running late. These texts will be sent from a dedicated number and are one way, meaning that our school maintains a consistent identity for SMS communications.

Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



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GENEVIEVE CARNEGIE
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (REL.)

ICAS ENGLISH

Students participating in the ICAS English assessment should meet Ms Carnegie under the COLA at 7:50am on the dates listed below.

The test will start promptly at 8:00am.

Date	Grade	Time
Monday 15 August	Year 6	7:50am-9:00am
Tuesday 16 August	Year 5	7:50am-9:00am
Thursday 18 August	Year 4	7:50am-9:00am
Friday 19 August	Year 3	7:50am-9:00am

Please note the following:

- ICAS is available for students from Years 3-6.
- Participation is optional. Students do not have to register for all assessments.
- All assessments are online.
- ICAS Assessments will run before school and will be supervised by class teachers.
- There will be no catch-up days.
- Late registrations cannot be accepted.

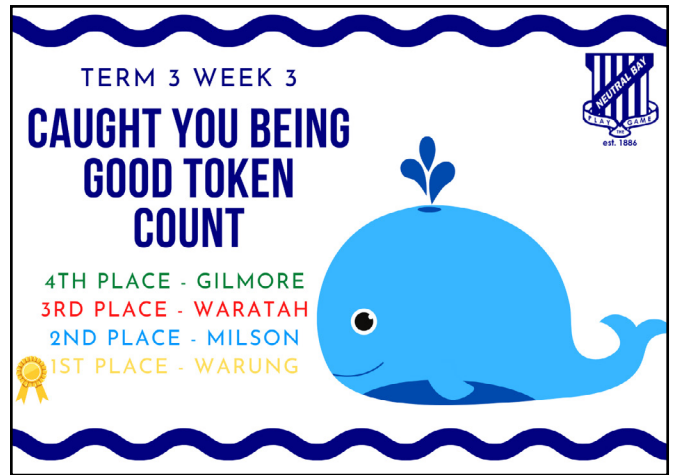
If your child has another activity that morning, please ask them to come to the ICAS assessment first.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms Carnegie at neutralbay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE - LAST WEEKS

There are only a few weeks to go in the Premier's Reading Challenge. It will finish on **Friday 19 August 2022**. All students wishing to complete the challenge for this year and be eligible for their certificate need to have their reading records finalised by this date.

Please follow the link below if you need to update your student reading record: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>.



CANTEEN NEWS

By **JOC, NAKO AND JEN**
THE CANTEEN TEAM

Thank you to everyone for a great first few weeks of term. As always, we are in need of volunteers over the next few weeks, particularly on Thursdays and Fridays when we are at our busiest with orders and at the service counter. If you have some time, please sign up and come join us. If you can't spare the full four hours (9am - 1pm), please come anyway for as long as you are able. We'd love to have your help and it definitely doesn't need to be your class assigned week for you to come in!

The class roster for Term 3 is:

Week 4 - 4K (We need volunteers Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week!)

Week 5 - 4R

Week 6 - 5BT

A few general things to remember for Flexischools orders:

- Please update your child's class on Flexischools if you're new to Neutral Bay Public School.
- Years 5 and 6, please remember to press the PSSA button for your child's lunch order if they are competing in a PSSA team on a Friday.

Here's the link for SignUp Genius for the rest of the year: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4cae23a4ff2-nbps2>.

Thanks everyone,
The Canteen Team

READING TRAIL MONDAY

LISTEN TO YOUR FAVOURITE STORIES OUTSIDE!

What is a Reading Trail?

Teachers across the school will read aloud their favourite stories in the playground. Just choose books to listen to, then relax and enjoy!

How do I choose books?

Check out the Book Trail Map and choose three books you'd like to listen to. The map will show you where in the playground to visit.

Optional!

Bring a cushion or pillow to sit on and listen in comfort.

DREAMING WITH EYES OPEN

PYJAMA DAY TUESDAY

PULL ON YOUR FAVOURITE PYJAMAS!

Wear your favourite pair of PJs and help to raise vital funds to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

STAY IN YOUR PJS:

Wear your favourite pyjamas or dressing gown to school on this day and bring in a gold coin donation. Wear your favourite pair of joggers as well.

Staying in your pyjamas has never felt so good!

#InYourPJs.

DREAMING WITH EYES OPEN

BOOK TASTING WEDNESDAY

SWAP A BOOK WITH A FRIEND!

What do you bring?

Students are asked to bring a favourite book to school on this day. You will then taste or sample different books in an extended reading session.

What do I do?

This is a chance to read books you haven't read before and try different authors and different reading genres.

Take a seat and enjoy relaxing and reading your book. Then swap places and try another book!

Remember to keep track of the books that you'd like to read or borrow from the library during your next visit.

DREAMING WITH EYES OPEN

TRANSFIGURATION THURSDAY

DRESS LIKE A FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER

GET IN COSTUME!

Students are asked to dress as their favourite book character, and bring either the book or a copy of the front cover. Alternatively, you could dress in keeping with the Book Week theme 'Dreaming With Eyes Open'.

GET CREATIVE!

You are encouraged to make your costume at home using ANY medium or material you like - cardboard, paper, tights, paint, crayons, tin foil, fabric, etc. Purchased costumes are not necessary. Enjoy the process of creating something fun from a book that you enjoy!

Parents/caregivers are welcome to attend the Book Parade from 2pm in the playground.

DREAMING WITH EYES OPEN

BOOK TRIVIA FRIDAY

PUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE TO THE TEST WITH OUR LITERARY QUIZZES!

What will the quiz include?

You don't have to be the world's biggest reader to participate. Questions will range from famous children's books, book authors to film versions of books.

Do I need to do this?

This quiz is optional. It will be set as a challenge, meaning you can see the questions AND answers on your screen, and you can start it at any time - at school or at home!

Can I Google the answers?

Yes, but our biggest book fans may not need it!

DREAMING WITH EYES OPEN

FROM THE P&C

By **LIBBY BRENNAN**
P&C COMMUNICATIONS
COORDINATOR

OUR ONLINE AUCTION HAS NOW BEGUN

There are 84 prizes to be won, worth over \$15,000!

There's something for everyone - a kids karate party from Mosman Martial Arts Academy or a term of dance classes at Neutral Bay School of Dance for the kids, through to spa treatments at Sanctuary Skin Care, Neutral Bay, or a night out at Hideout Bar with a \$1,000 bar tab for the adults, and back by popular demand, there are multiple birthday message in lights packages - one for each term.

Bidding opened at 8am on Monday 8 August through to 9pm on Friday 26 August. You have to be in it to win it! We're aiming to raise \$15,000 to fund the purchase of outdoor learning equipment and upgraded technology for all K-6 classrooms, including iPads and Smart Boards.

Click on the link to place your bids: <https://www.32auctions.com/2022NBPSauction>



SAVE THE DATE - FRIDAY 2 SEPTEMBER - FATHER'S DAY STALL AND BBQ

Our Father's Day Stall and Barbeque will be held on Friday 2 September. Children will have an opportunity to purchase a special gift for the father, grandfather or father figure in their life, and you can pick up a bacon and egg roll for breakie as you drop your children off at school. We welcome volunteers to help out on the day and will send out sign up sheets shortly.

SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER - ART AUCTION 'COLOUR MY WORLD'

On the evening of Saturday 17 September, we will be holding an art auction at the Neutral Bay Club. Each class will be making a fabulous 'Colour My World' themed artwork, which will be auctioned off at the event. Full details to follow, but get the date in your diary and book your babysitter now!



NEUTRAL BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE

The president of the P&C, Liz Henry, was recently invited to meet with the management at the newly refurbished Neutral Bay Community Centre, as they are keen to explore ways to collaborate together.

The refurbished centre has a range of activities for all ages of the community. Please see the attached flyer for the weekly schedule of classes and activities. Membership is just \$15/year and allows members of the community to access the common area, free tea and coffee and a quiet space to bring your laptop and work, read a book or grab a board game from the shelf. If you have an idea for a class or regular meeting place, please make contact with Gill at info@nbaycommunity.com.au.

Neutral Bay Community Centre				
MONDAY 7:30am Pilates* \$10 9:30am Strength Pilates* \$10 10am - 1pm Scrabble & Scones 12pm - 2pm Japanese Recitation 1pm - 2pm Document Witnessing Service	TUESDAY 9:30am Walking Group 9:30am Yoga* \$10 10am Beginners Tai Chi* \$5 10am Men's Chat 2nd Tues of the month 11am - 1pm Social Bridge 1pm - 2pm Shut Up & Write 4:45pm Core & Stretch* \$10	WEDNESDAY 8:30am Pilates* \$10 New Time 10am Book Club 2nd Wed of month 10am Beginners Tai Chi* \$5 11am - 12pm Justice of the Peace 11am Intermediate Tai Chi* \$5 11am - 1pm Knitting & Craft 4-5:30pm Everyday Ethics 4th Wed of month	THURSDAY 8:30am Body Groove* \$10 9:30am Yoga* \$10 11am - 2pm Board Games 2:30pm Ballet Fitness* \$10	FRIDAY 8am Zumba* \$10 9am Balance & Stability* \$10 10am - 1pm New Vogue Dancing \$5
* bookings and pre-payment required www.trybooking.com/eventlist/nbcc 9953 6447 info@nbaycommunity.com.au www.nbaycommunity.com.au				

COMMUNITY NEWS



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SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

On-site Open Day
Thursday 8 September 2022 9:30am - 12:00pm

Online Open Day
Thursday 8 September 2022 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Please register <https://sbhs.co/openday>



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- Shifts are between 8:00 am - 9:30 am and 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm.
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Applications close Wednesday 17th Jul 2022

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For further information, contact Sandhini Chaudhary
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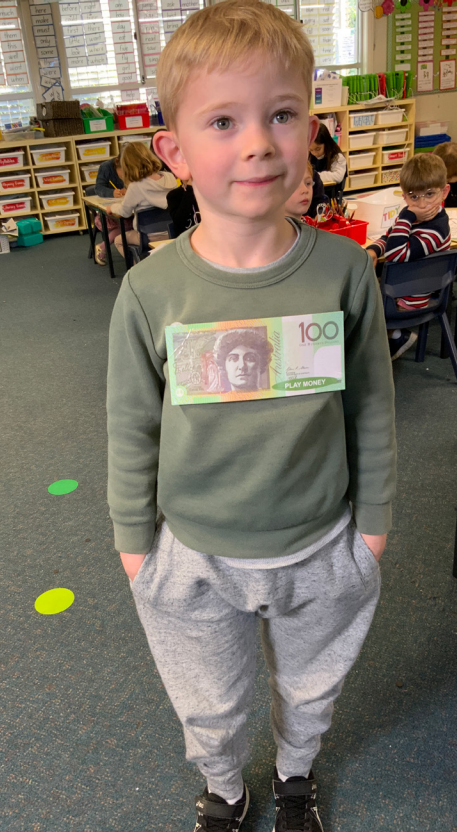

KINDY

ALPHABET

This week we feature letters

S to Z





ONE HUNDRED DAYS OF KINDERGARTEN



TEAM SPIRIT



at yesterday's
**Athletics
Carnival**







