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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

# SASS RECOGNITION WEEK



*Thank you to our SAS Staff at Neutral Bay Public School for all you do!*

By **KATE MACINNES**  
Neutral Bay Public School  
Principal (Relieving)

Support Staff Recognition (SASS) Week, a time to acknowledge and thank the often unsung heroes of Neutral Bay Public School.

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**T**his week is School Administrative and

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**SEP 7:** P&C Meeting

**SEP 8:** R U OK? Day

**SEP 8:** Special Awards Assembly

**SEP 13:** Uniform Shop Closes

**SEP 14:** Performing Arts Concert

**SEP 19:** Year 4 Forsyth Park

**SEP 22:** Principal's Awards Assemblies

## 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.

**The only way to have a friend is to be one.** Ralph Waldo Emerson

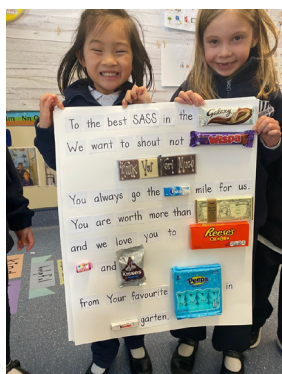
SASS play a vital role in our school community. They are often the first people you see when you enter our school grounds and are essential to maintaining positive relationships with students, staff, parents and the wider community.

Our school would like to recognise the wonderful work of our office staff; Vanni Panesar, Melissa Branson, Jade Andrews-Little, Tara Lopez, Gemma Reinert and Vanessa Hawthorne. They ensure the efficient management of school financial and administration functions, tend to students when they are unwell and support our Library program.

We would also like to acknowledge the tireless work of Brendan Fuller, our General Assistant (GA), who is the first person to arrive at school each day, maintaining and caring for our school grounds and buildings with such enthusiasm and a faultless work ethic.

Finally, we would like to recognise our School Learning Support Officer (SLSO) Teachers; Ben Coyle, Jane Ryder, Beverley Allen, Briar O'Brien, Emma Burton, Gabi Tan, Kabir Panesar, Louisa Dutschke, Megan Rayond, Sarah Keating, Zach Khan and Paulette Lyons. Our wonderful SLSOs work in classrooms to support students and staff to implement differentiated teaching and learning programs in order that every student can experience success.

The theme of SASS week for 2022 is "Our jobs, your children, their future". This theme is a perfect summary of why we're so thankful for our SASS at NBPS. They come to work each day in order to support our students and ensure that their education is one of excellence and that their future is full of opportunities.



## R U OK? DAY

NBPS will be supporting R U OK?Day on Thursday 8 September 2022.

R U OK?Day is a national day of action when we remind our school community that every day is the day to ask, 'are you OK?' and start a meaningful conversation whenever a student, staff member and/or parent spots the signs that someone they care about might be struggling with life.

NBPS has accessed the R U OK? resources, tips and ideas to help drive genuine conversations in our school community.

All students and staff are invited to wear a touch of yellow this Thursday in recognition of R U OK?Day.



1. Ask



2. Listen



3. Encourage action



4. Check in

## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

NBPS has 115 students registered on the Jump Rope for Heart portal. As a school community we have already raised \$4202.53 and logged 137.5 hours of skipping practice. Thank you to Ms Chandra for her organisation of this fantastic initiative. If you would like to sign up on the portal, it's not too late as the program will continue to run until 25 September 2022!

<https://www.jumprope.org.au/parents>.

## SPECIAL AWARDS ASSEMBLY

We will be presenting a range of awards at a special assembly this Thursday 8 September to recognise participants in Chess, Operation Art and those students that placed in the top 4 of a finals event at the recent Athletics Carnival. Parents of these students have been emailed with an invitation to attend the assembly which will be held on school grounds. Thank you to Mr Sheather for his organisation of this assembly.

## ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to the Zone Athletics Team from Neutral Bay Public School who placed fourth out of the fifteen schools that participated in the North Shore Zone Athletics Carnival. A wonderful achievement! Thank you to Mr Kessler for organising our participation in this event.



## PERFORMING ARTS CONCERT

We are very excited that our student performance groups will be showcasing their talents and skills at the Performing Arts Concert. Kindergarten and Year 1 students were the audience for the rehearsal today, with students in Years 2 to 6 participating as part of the audience for the concert. Thank you to Mrs Pickering for arranging this concert. Please note that this concert is weather dependent.

**When:** Wednesday 14 September  
**Time:** 9:30am to 11:00am  
**Where:** Neutral Bay PS main campus playground – outdoor stage  
**Who:** Parents/carers are invited to attend.

Please note the following Covid Safety Advice for Visitors. This advice is based on the current departmental settings for Term 3. These settings continue to be developed and updated in close consultation with NSW Health. Visitors are allowed on site regardless of their vaccination status in line with settings to the broader community. Masks and hand sanitiser will be made available upon arrival at school. All visitors are strongly encouraged to wear a mask on school grounds, particularly in indoor settings or when distancing is not possible, and when interacting directly with students. Hand sanitiser will be available for visitors to the school.



## P&C MEETING

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers to the P&C Meeting to be held this evening, Wednesday 7 September, at 7:00pm in the school hall. In addition to our regular agenda items, Mrs MacInnes will be presenting about the NBPS PBL Behaviour Management System. We hope to see many attendees at this meeting!

## 2023 SCHOOL PLANNING

In Term 4, planning for classes in 2023 will commence. Accurate information regarding student enrolments next year greatly assists us in this process. If your child will not be returning to Neutral Bay PS in 2023, please complete the following form:

<https://forms.gle/WCH2TsLbPRnK5wL97>.

If you have special social considerations relating to your child's class placement in 2023 which you feel we need to be made aware, please advise the school by completing the following form:

<https://forms.gle/jffSdnCruwGP21CS6>.

Please complete this form even if you have made these requests in previous years. Requests for teachers are unable to be considered. It should be noted that while we will take this information into consideration when forming classes, not all requests will be met, owing to the many factors that need to be considered when forming classes.

This link will remain live until Friday 11 November 2022 and be advertised in the newsletter until that date. Please kindly note that the school will not be able to consider 2023 class placement requests after that time.





## September 2022

## MATESHIP

"Truly great friends are hard to find, difficult to leave, and impossible to forget." — Hellen Keller.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1 Turn on your favourite music when you get home. Do a little dance!	2 Play your favourite upbeat playlist on the way to and from school.	3 Wish the first person you see today an amazing day.	4 Try eating 5 servings of fruits and vegetables a day
5 When people are gossiping, be the person who says something positive.	6 <b>READ A BOOK DAY</b> Begin reading a book about a subject completely unknown to you	7  Hide a positive post-it note in a library book.	8  Give out sincere compliments today.	9 Write an encouraging letter to someone who needs it.. Google "The World Needs More Love Letters" for details	10 Ride a bicycle! Spend the day riding with friends or family in a park or on a scenic bike path.	11  Go stargazing in the evening.
12 Invite a classmate you don't know very well to play at lunch.	13 <b>POSITIVE THINKING DAY</b> Write a list of things you love about someone and give it to them	14 Call and say hello to the first person who comes to mind.	15 Treat yourself to your favorite dessert. Share with a loved one..	16 <b>COLLECT ROCKS DAY</b> Paint an inspiring message on a pebble and leave it in the community for someone to find.	17  Do 15 minutes of stretches.	18 Have each person at the dinner table say something they're grateful for.
19 Plan to do one thing new and different each day this week.	20 Turn off the lights, heaters, and fans that are not in use.	21 <b>INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE</b> Listen to a guided meditation.	22 Compliment five people around you on something not related to how they look.	23 Donate items you are no longer using to a good cause.	24 Plan a road trip to somewhere new.	25  Swing on a swing.
26 Share a conversation over a cup of hot chocolate with a friend or family member.	27 Be honest and kind when talking to someone.	28  Say 'Thank you' and mean it.	29  Surprise someone with an inexpensive gift.	30 Play a board game or do a puzzle with friends or family.		

### UNIFORM SALE (NEARLY NEW)

**Date: Tuesday 13th Sept**  
**Time: 8:45am - 9:30am**  
**Location: Outside the Music Room**

**DRESSES \$15**  
**TROUSERS, FLEECES \$10**  
**OTHER ITEMS \$5**

card payments preferred

# FROM THE P&C

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

## P&C MEETING - WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

Our second P&C meeting for Term 3 will be held tonight in the school hall at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome. We hope to see you there.

## NEARLY NEW UNIFORM SALE - TUESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

We are holding a nearly new uniform sale on Tuesday 13 September from 8:45am-9:30am. Come by and pick up a summer uniform in preparation for Term 4.

## UNIFORM SHOP - CLOSED FROM TUESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER - FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER

The Uniform Shop will be closed while we complete our stocktake. Please ensure you submit any orders by Monday 12 September. We will reopen on Friday 7 October in time for Term 4 and summer uniform orders.

## 'COLOUR MY WORLD' ART AUCTION - SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER AT 7PM

We look forward to seeing you at the Neutral Bay Club for the the art auction on Saturday 17 September. It will be a great opportunity to catch up with friends and you might even be lucky enough to take home an amazing artwork created by our children. Tickets are \$35 each, which includes entry and canapes and are on sale now.

<https://www.trybooking.com/CBWQO>

<https://www.trybooking.com/946830>

Thank you to [Dino Gatti](#) and [Lincoln McCarthy](#) from The Agency Neutral Bay, who will be our auctioneers on the night. Instead of selling homes, they'll be selling artwork - all to help us raise funds for our school. Thank you to Dino and Lincoln!

It promises to be a fun evening and we look forward to seeing you there. You will be able to preview your class' artwork at the Performance Open Morning on Wednesday 14 September, from 8:45am-9:05am.



## FATHER'S DAY STALL AND BARBEQUE

Happy Father's Day to all our school families! Thank you to everyone who supported the Father's Day barbeque on Friday. It was wonderful to see so many families in the playground before school. See some photos from the day on the next page! It was hard to keep up with the demand for bacon and egg rolls, and the volunteers really did an incredible job. Even Mrs Goodsell jumped onto the BBQ and Mrs MacInnes was on sales for the morning - thank you both for helping out!

Thank you to the P&C committee and all the volunteers (both on the stall and the BBQ) without whom these events wouldn't happen. We really appreciate your help.

# CANTEEN NEWS

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

The canteen continues to be a hive of activity and we thank the volunteers from last week who helped us through some very busy days. We hit a record for butter chicken last Thursday, with 144 portions served. If you include all the chicken breast strips and sushi etc, it's a lot of food! There are only a few weeks left of term, so if you have a half day to help, you can jump onto the SignUpGenius link below and sign up. The kids would love to see you!

Week 8 - 5I (volunteers needed Wednesday and Thursday)

Week 9 - 5K

Week 10 - 5R

Sign up to volunteer here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4caca23a4ff2-nbps2>.



