



# HOMENOTE

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**Term 4 Week 2**

**18 October 2022**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues Oct 18	Selective High School Applications open for interested Y5 students (Y7 2024)
Wed Oct 19	P & C meeting at 9.15am in the hall
Thurs Oct 20	Headstart Group 2 – session one
Mon Oct 24 & Tues Oct 25	Y4 Overnight Excursion
Tues Oct 25	Interrelate Evening for interested S2 and S3 students and their families
Wed Oct 26 & Thurs Oct 27	School Photos
Thurs Oct 27	Headstart Group 1 – session two
Friday Oct 28	Day for Daniel – Wear something red

Hello Parents/Carers

Last Thursday we welcomed our Group 1 Headstart students and their families for the first time. Our students participated in a range of fun activities while our families met in the OoSH (Out of School Hours) building and observed a lesson. There were many happy students and families at the end of the session. This week, Group 2 begin their Headstart experience.

On Tuesday October 25, students from S2 and S3 along with their families, are being offered the Interrelate Programs. We last hosted this evening in 2019. The Family Evening Program sessions are conducted by an Interrelate Educator. The sessions will be held in our library. Session 1 begins at 6pm and is titled "Where did I come from?" and Session 2 begins at 7pm and is titled "Preparing for Puberty". The cost is \$36 for one or both sessions. Please pay cash on the evening.

This afternoon, our Y5 students were given information about Selective High School 2024. Applications for this process open today and close on 16 November 2022. Applications must be completed by families and online. If you are interested in applying for your child, and need assistance, please contact the school.

Please note, there has been a change to our calendar sent home last week, the S2 and S3 Ball Games Carnival has been changed to November 4. Participating students will receive permission notes soon.

We are hoping that you have noticed that selected permission notes are now being sent out via Sentral. We are always striving to improve and keep our families updated.

Last week envelopes for school photos were sent home. We ask that our students wear their summer uniform and that Y6 wear their Y6 shirt wherever possible. Please remember to pay online using the directions provided on the envelopes. Envelopes for sibling photos are available from our front office.

Last term, our staff met to revise our behaviour expectations around the school in all settings; our classrooms, playgrounds, hall, office, library, RFF spaces, bathrooms and canteen. Our expectations are always focussed on our 3Rs – Respect, Responsibility and Ready to Learn. We continue to strive to improve in all areas.

Our safety focus this week, is again, road safety. We remind our students to cross wherever possible at the crossing and/or to hold the hand of an adult. While our surrounding streets are in the 40km zones before and after school, we can never be too careful. We are also asking that you speak with your children about this important message.

Stay safe and have a terrific week!

Jodie Campbell R/Principal

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who have been consistently demonstrating the 3Rs  
**Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn**

Llew E	K/6P	William H	3F
James G	1H	Layten D	K/6M
Charlotte C	2H	Leilani B	5J
Jimmy B-J	2L	Isabel G	5B

## PLAYGROUND/CLASSROOM POSITIVE WINNERS

Billie S	1T
Trent B	2H

## 3R's AWARDS

Class	Name	Class	Name
KH	Ryan Mc	KT	Talulah D
KZ	Rylan C	KL	Mia L
1H	Sebastian H	1C	Hayley W
	Jessie H		Jaxon P
1T	Toby W	1/2A	Aubree F
	Billie St	2S	Beau M
2L	Evie W		Walter T
	Eadie M	3/4A	Addison M
2H	Xavier W		William H
	Edith T	3F	Aaliyah M
3/4B	Connor M		Mathew D
	Phoenix T	4K	Adam D
3P	Brooklyn M		Ahmarni N
	Saleen F	K/6M	Avelyne Mc
K/6P	Oliver F		Jaxon N
		K/6JA	Lincoln M

## SUPPORT NEWS

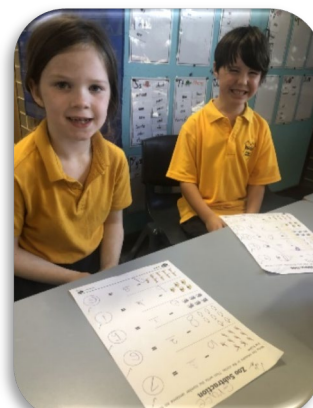
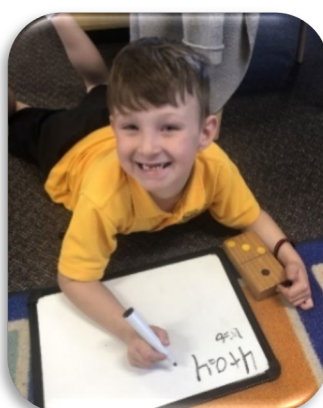
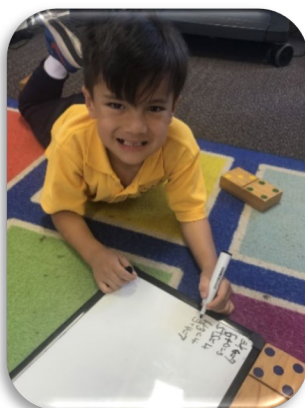
Students from Stage 2 in the support unit enjoyed a friendly game of tenpin bowling during the last week of term 3. Students demonstrated their amazing teamwork skills through encouraging and cheering each other on during the two games. All students who participated in the day also demonstrated their resilience, turn taking and have-a-go attitude.



## EARLY STAGE ONE NEWS

Welcome back to term 4! We hope you all had a happy and safe holiday.

In kindergarten we are back into learning. This week our focus in Maths has been addition and subtraction. Here are some pictures to show you how clever we are.





## STAGE ONE NEWS

Stage 1 have been excited to get back to learning after the holidays and have returned to working hard in their classrooms. This term they will be receiving some music lessons with Mrs Sheumack. Year 2 learnt about dynamics last week and how bodies can be used to create this.



## STAGE TWO NEWS

3F have had a very settled week back at school and were quite excited to share their holiday experiences with their friends. Students have been given an excursion note to The Pioneer Village where we will be stepping back in time to experience the atmosphere and activities of life over 100 years ago. Here are some fun photos of us enjoying drama with Mrs Sheumack.



## STAGE THREE NEWS

Stage 3 had an incredible time at camp during the final week of term 3 - making new friends, learning new skills and building resilience through new experiences.

Students participated in sailing, stand-up paddle boarding, kayaking, bushwalking, archery tag, orienteering, puzzle rooms, raft building, trivia and so much more! Stage 3 teachers proudly watched and supported as students pushed themselves physically and mentally and would like to thank the students for making it such an enjoyable week.



## LIBRARY NEWS

Learning is back in full swing in the Library. All stages including support classes will be studying History this term during their library lessons. Below, Stage 2 are demonstrating their map of Australia knowledge before they start learning about Australia's neighbours.



### Attendance Matters.

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options.

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or are registered with the NSW Education and Standards Authority for home schooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g.attending a funeral)

The following are NOT valid reasons for absences and will be marked as 'unjustified or unexplained'

- your child or a family member's birthday
- a non-urgent family event or activity
- being tired / slept in
- refusal to attend
- no clean clothes / uniforms

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### **Why attendance matters**

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



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Make friends



Build skills through fun



## **EVERY DAY COUNTS....**

**A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...**

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

*Give your child every chance to succeed...*

**Every day counts!**

