



# SHERWOOD RIDGE PS NEWSLETTER

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**Term 1 – Week 11**

**Wednesday 9 April 2025**

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy school holiday break. The last day of term is Friday 11 April. We look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Wednesday 30 April as Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 April are school development days.

Enjoy reading our first edition of the school newsletter as we showcase student achievement, wellbeing and talent.

## School News

### CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD (CYBG) PATROL

Each week at our school, students from two classes have the opportunity to wear bright blue vests around the school and be on “Caught You Being Good Patrol”.

These students are on the lookout for other students who are following the school’s weekly PBL Focus (*which this week is Being Safe and Respectful on the Walkways and when Lining Up.*) They hand out CYBG tokens to possibly win a canteen voucher.

### CLASSROOM LEADERS

Sherwood Ridge PS is committed to providing many leadership opportunities for our students in and around our school, as we believe it is important for students to engage in school activities beyond learning in the classroom. This year each class has elected student leaders for the following roles:

- Student Representative Council (SRC) - The role of the SRC is to provide all students with a forum to present and discuss issues which affect them. They will also undertake charity fundraising and community work.
- Cultural and Community Leaders - The role of the Cultural and Community Leaders is to assist in promoting all cultures and community interests around the school as well as the school’s interests within the local community. Cultural and Community Leaders aim to ensure that all Sherwood Ridge PS students, staff and community members are represented, included in our planning and feel a sense of belonging to our school.
- Library Monitors - The role of the Library Monitors is to provide leadership and assistance to students and teachers in the Library, fostering a love of reading.

We congratulate all students who have been elected into these special leadership roles.

**Mr Dixon, Assistant Principal**

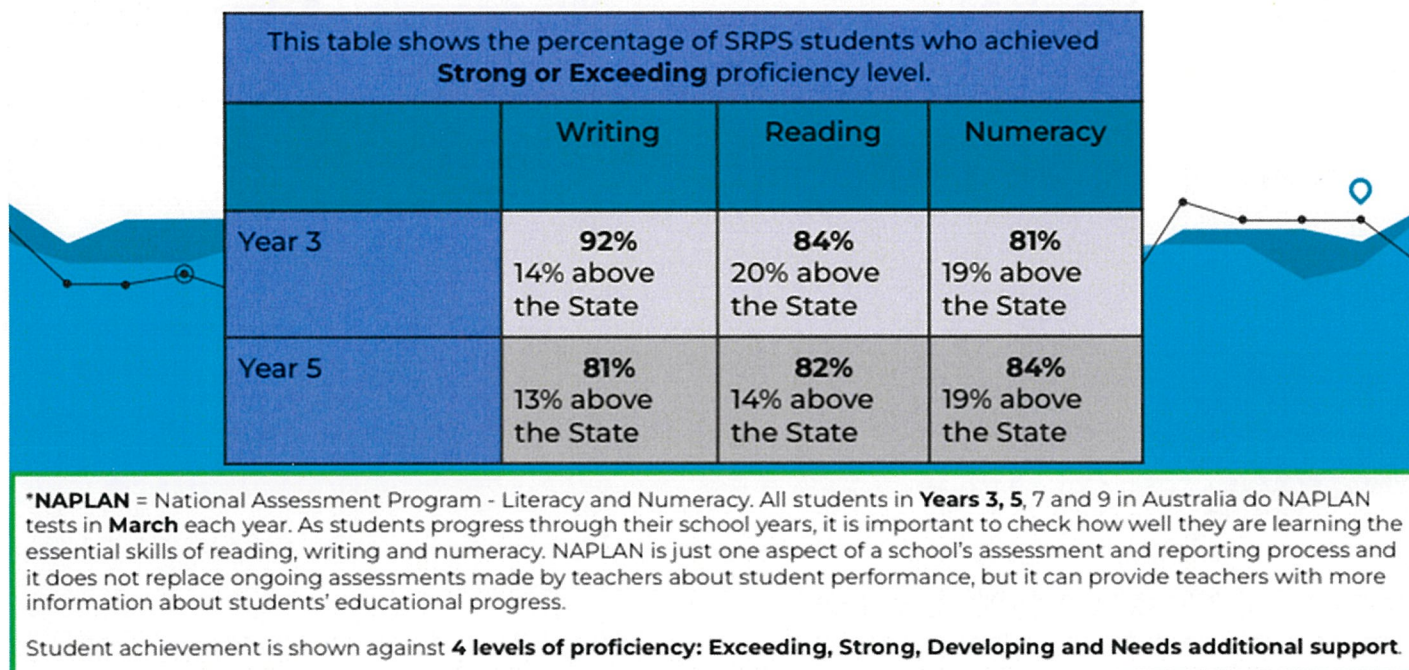


## NAPLAN

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in Australia complete NAPLAN tests in March each year. This table highlights how our 2024 NAPLAN\* results at Sherwood Ridge PS compare against the NSW state achievements. We are proud of our school's growth in literacy and numeracy and would like to share this with our parents and carers.



### 2024 NAPLAN\* HIGHLIGHTS for Sherwood Ridge P.S.



**Mrs Brodie, Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction**

## YEAR 2 SPORT HOUSE LEADERS

Earlier this term, Year 2 students were able to nominate themselves to present a speech to their house groups to explain why they'd like to be considered as a House Leader for this year. We had an overwhelming response and all nominated students impressed staff and students with reasons why they'd be a great leader for our school. Through the voting process, the following students were elected:

| House | Name      | Class |
|-------|-----------|-------|
| Air   | Allan D   | 2G    |
| Air   | Zoe R     | 1/2B  |
| Air   | Michael B | 1/2B  |
| Air   | Mieke B   | 2M    |
| Earth | Olivia O  | 2G    |
| Earth | Freddie D | 2G    |
| Earth | Isaac C   | 2M    |
| Earth | Lyanna M  | 2G    |

| House | Name      | Class |
|-------|-----------|-------|
| Fire  | Louis C   | 2M    |
| Fire  | Tarlan S  | 2/3CR |
| Fire  | Odhran C  | 2G    |
| Fire  | Ahmed F   | 1/2B  |
| Fire  | Phoenix D | 2G    |
| Water | Amoolya G | 2M    |
| Water | Toby R    | 2/3CR |
| Water | Noah S    | 2M    |
| Water | Emily W   | 2M    |

We congratulate them and all of those who put their names forward. Our newly elected leaders have already been diligent in performing their duties during lunchtimes and reading out PBL expectations at our Term 1 Assemblies.

**Mrs Bowd, Year 2 Leadership Coordinator**



## **ZONE SWIMMING**

On Monday 10 March, an enthusiastic team of swimmers proudly represented our school at the Castle Hill PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival. Our swimmers achieved remarkable results, with many students setting personal best times.

A big thank you to Mrs Blacker, Mrs Stocker and Miss McCallum for their assistance on the day!

Congratulations to the following swimmers who represented the Castle Hill Zone at the Sydney West Regional Swimming Carnival on Thursday 27 March at Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre:

|                |                                                                     |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Addison G (3B) | 9yrs Boys 50m Freestyle                                             |
| Aiden T (6N)   | 13yrs Boys 50m Freestyle<br>Senior Boys (12-13yrs) 50m Breaststroke |
| Abigail D (6N) | Senior Girls (12-13yrs) 50m Backstroke                              |



## **SUMMER PSSA REPORT**

As we dive into the school year, our Summer PSSA teams have already hit the ground running with an exciting start to the season! Over the past weeks, our students have shown incredible dedication and talent across a variety of sports. Thank you to all the coaches for their hard work and dedication! Here's a summary of the results from the first few weeks of competition:

### Summer Round 1

| Team                        | Score           | MVP        |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Junior Boys Touch Football  | 5-1 Win         | Tyler S    |
| Senior Boys Touch Football  | 0-5 Loss        | Thomas C   |
| Junior Girls Touch Football | 3-1 Loss        | Zoe J      |
| Senior Girls Touch Football | 5-0 Win         | Miabelle D |
| Junior Cricket              | 71-112 Loss     | Jackson H  |
| Senior Cricket              | 9/31- 1/87 Loss | Hayden Y   |
| Girls Basketball            | BYE             |            |
| Boys Basketball             | BYE             |            |
| Boys T-Ball                 | 4-1 Loss        | Billy R    |
| Girls T-Ball                | 3-1 Loss        | Edith D    |
| Boys Softball               | 14-0 Loss       | Max A      |
| Girls Softball              | 3-0 Loss        | Aava S     |

## Summer Round 2

| Team                        | Score      | MVP                    |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| Junior Boys Touch Football  | 5-3 Win    | Ryan H                 |
| Senior Boys Touch Football  | 5-2 Win    | Ryan T                 |
| Junior Girls Touch Football | 2-2 Draw   | Mila Z                 |
| Senior Girls Touch Football | 1-1 Draw   | Harlie R               |
| Junior Cricket              | 51-33 Loss | Aveer B and Talvin J   |
| Senior Cricket              | 56-52 Loss | Lachlan H and Ishaan B |
| Girls Basketball            | 12-22 Loss | Leeroy Z               |
| Boys Basketball             | 18-10 Win  | Addison T              |
| Boys T-Ball                 | 20-2 Loss  | Elijah A               |
| Girls T-Ball                | 20-2 Loss  | Lorelai H              |
| Boys Softball               | 21-3 Loss  | Jesse P                |
| Girls Softball              | 7-1 Loss   | Gabriella D            |

## WINTER PSSA

The Winter PSSA season and training will begin in Week 2 of Term 2. Teams were chosen at the beginning of Term 1 with contracts sent out to successful students in Week 8. Sherwood Ridge PS will compete against schools within the Castle Hill Zone in the following sports:

- Junior and Senior Mixed Netball
- Junior and Senior Mixed AFL
- Junior and Senior Girls Soccer
- Junior and Senior Boys Soccer
- Girls Newcombe ball
- Boys Newcombe ball

**Miss Speechley, PSSA Coordinator**

## TERM 1 HOME SPORT

The hot and wet weather did not stop our Home Sport students from doing their best this term. The level of effort has been impressive and we have been so proud of how students have encouraged each other when learning new skills. Our *Home Sport Superstars* for Term 1 were celebrated and they enjoyed receiving house points and a Zooper Dooper for their stellar performances. Well done!



**Ms Canning and Mrs Mason, Home Sport Coordinators**



### **CHPSSA ZONE REPRESENTATIVES**

Term 1 was a huge term for representative sports at our school. In 2025 we have had multiple Year 5 and Year 6 students selected to trial for zone teams. These teams represent the Castle Hill Zone at the Sydney West Championships. Congratulations to the following students on their selection into their respective zone teams:

|                  |                                                 |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Girls Basketball | Daisy Z (6I)                                    |
| Girls Soccer     | Harlie G (4/5R)<br>Tillie J (6N)<br>Evie W (6B) |
| Mixed AFL        | Blake B (6I)<br>Lachlan H (6I)<br>Kais E (5L)   |

A special mention to Daisy Z (6I) who has been selected as a part of the Sydney West Regional Basketball squad who will compete at the NSW Championships in Term 2. The final team will be chosen at the first training session. This is a massive achievement to be selected at such a high level of sport in a very competitive zone. We wish her all the best for selection at the first training session.

***Miss Speechley and Miss McCallum, PSSA Coordinators***

### **YEAR 6 SPORT HOUSE LEADERS**

The 2025 Year 6 House Leaders have been inducted into their official roles. The newly elected House Leaders are excited to take on their responsibilities, which include organising the borrowing of sporting equipment, promoting a sense of belonging, and encouraging their peers to participate in school sporting events. They will also act as role models, helping to create a supportive and inclusive environment for all students. Congratulations to our 2025 Year 6 House Leaders:

| House              | Name        | Class |
|--------------------|-------------|-------|
| Air Captain        | Laura N     | 6N    |
| Air Captain        | Arshan M    | 6N    |
| Air Vice Captain   | Charlotte C | 6N    |
| Air Vice Captain   | Naisha K    | 6B    |
| Earth Captain      | Madeline C  | 6N    |
| Earth Captain      | Brandon L   | 6N    |
| Earth Vice Captain | Kian S      | 6I    |
| Earth Vice Captain | Tillie J    | 6B    |
| Fire Captain       | Evie W      | 6B    |
| Fire Captain       | Lachlan H   | 6I    |
| Fire Vice Captain  | Vaanya M    | 6I    |
| Fire Vice Captain  | Louis B     | 6N    |
| Water Captain      | Nava F      | 6B    |
| Water Captain      | Akarsh P    | 6I    |
| Water Vice Captain | Abigail D   | 6N    |
| Water Vice Captain | Anosh S     | 5/6G  |

***Miss McCallum - 3-6 House Leader Coordinator***



## **THE LONGEST COIN LINE COMPETITION**

On Tuesday 1 April, the Longest Coin Line Competition was held to raise funds for the Year 6 Graduation and Farewell Ceremony. In each class, the students were encouraged to donate coins which were placed in lines and measured to determine the winners of the competition. Bonus centimetres were awarded for \$2 coins.

The total amount raised on the day was \$1990 - an absolutely tremendous effort! The winning classes were (pictured below):

- K-2 - 2G
- 3-6 - 4/5R
- Inclusion and Support classes – SB

The students in these classes will each receive a Zooper Dooper for their efforts. A HUGE thank you to the entire Sherwood Ridge School Community for their generosity.





# Extracurricular Activities

## **POWERHOUSE MUSEUM – SCHOOL HOLIDAY SCIENCE PROGRAMS**

Looking for something exciting and educational these school holidays? The Powerhouse Museum is running a range of hands-on science and technology programs for curious young minds! From coding and robotics to wearable tech and creative design, there's something to spark every student's imagination.

A special highlight is **Plants for Space: School Holiday Program**, where students can explore how scientists are growing plants in space and the innovative technologies making it possible. This immersive experience is perfect for future astronauts, botanists, or anyone fascinated by life beyond Earth.

Follow the link to find out more about *Plants for Space*.

<https://powerhouse.com.au/program/plants-for-space-ch-autumn-2025>

To see the full list of school holiday programs, visit the Powerhouse School Holidays page.

<https://powerhouse.com.au/program/school-holidays-2025>

## Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is located inside the school hall and is open at the following hours during the school term.

**Monday**      2:00pm - 3:30pm

**Wednesday**    8:30am - 10:00am

Alternatively, you can shop online at any time with orders being delivered twice a week to your child's classroom.

<https://valourschools.com.au/collections/sherwood-ridge-public-school>

You can contact the uniform shop on 02 9651 3711 or email [srps@valourschools.com.au](mailto:srps@valourschools.com.au)

# Community Noticeboard



## Come & Try a session of **Able with Next Athletics**

Tuesday 8 April & Tuesday 29 April 2025  
4:00pm - 5:00pm  
Bernie Mullane Sports Centre, Kellyville



We are excited to bring to you the Able with Next Athletics Come n Try Days, co-designed with our partners to provide a fun, social, and inclusive introduction to athletics for children, including those with a disability.

Registrations are limited and essential, so sign up today.  
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### Easter Holiday Program Enrolment

16th & 23rd April (Join for a single day or both!)

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- STEM Crafts
- Easter Fun!

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