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# Seven Hills North Public School Newsletter

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Term 4—Week 10



## DATES FOR DIARY

### TERM 4

#### DECEMBER

18 Last day of term



**Merry Christmas  
from all the Staff at  
Seven Hills North.**

### 2020

#### TERM 1

##### JANUARY

- 27 Australia Day
- 28 Staff Development Day
- 29 Year 1-6 students return
- Kindergarten Best Start
- 30 Kindergarten Best Start
- 31 Kindergarten Best Start

##### FEBRUARY

- 3 Kindergarten students first day
- 3 Swimming Carnival

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## From the Principal's Desk

### 2020 Student Leadership Team

Our 2020 Student Leadership Team was announced at our Presentation Day. I would like to congratulate all of our candidates, who did an outstanding job when presenting their election speeches. Our candidates demonstrated what diligent, dedicated and enthusiastic student leaders we have at Seven Hills North.

Our 2020 School Leaders are:

School Captains: Tara T and Atilla S

Vice Captains: Alexie P and Jake E

Prefects: Jessica A, Bethany S, Muttahir M and Shane T

Our new leaders will receive their badges at a special induction ceremony early next year. I certainly look forward to working with our leaders in the new year. I am sure they will work with staff and students to make our school a happy and productive place for all.

***School resumes for students in Years 1-6 on Wednesday, 29 January 2020.***

***Kindergarten Best Start assessment on Wednesday 29 January and Thursday 30 January.***

***The first day for Kindergarten students is Monday, 3 February.***

### Year 6 Farewell

Oh, what a night! Our Year 6 Farewell was a huge success with everyone enjoying a fun-filled evening. A special 'thanks' to the parent committee who worked tirelessly to make this wonderful event happen. We know that an event like this takes months of planning and we appreciate the time they gave to attend meetings, assist with fundraising events, decorate our venue and much, much more! A special thank you also to Miss Attard and Mr Toohey for all their planning, hard work and guidance! I'm sure that our students will remember the night for many years to come!

I'd like to wish our departing Year 6 students all the best as they commence their high school journey. I know they are very well-equipped to take on the next part of their educational lives.



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## Presentation Day

Last Thursday, we held our 2019 Presentation Day. This was an opportunity for our whole school community to come together and celebrate the many accomplishments of our amazing students. We were joined by many special guests, who praised the wonderful behaviour and enthusiasm shown by our students. With many parents and friends, we celebrated the efforts and achievements of our students. Throughout the year, we have enjoyed many wonderful student and staff achievements – across academic pursuits, the sporting field, creative and performing arts, and through many other areas where our students have been able to demonstrate their talents and leadership skills. We thank all the students for their efforts this year, and for continuing to demonstrate that they are safe, respectful, responsible learners and outstanding citizens.

Presentation Day is also an opportunity for us to highlight the partnership between teachers, parents and students and to acknowledge and celebrate the contribution that all staff and volunteers make in our school. A big thank you to our parents and friends who have given us wonderful support, whether it be through organising fundraising, as parent reading helpers in the classroom, running our uniform shop and canteen, providing school banking or as a P&C member. I would also like to acknowledge the great support that we receive from the whole school community, as is evident by the number of family and friends who attend our school events to support our students.

We hope you enjoyed this celebration as much as we did and look forward to another great year in 2020.

## Community Helpers Morning Tea

Last Tuesday, we held our Community Helpers Morning Tea. This was an opportunity for our staff to thank all our parent and community volunteer helpers who have assisted us throughout the year. We are indeed fortunate to have such a dedicated group of parents and carers working in the best interest of our school. Together we are ensuring that our students are given every possible opportunity to be challenged, achieve success and feel valued in our school.

thank  
You



Thank you to all those who attended and to everyone who has helped us to make our school the great place it is!

## Staffing news

It is that time of year when we farewell some of the staff that have been part of our Seven Hills North Community this year. On behalf of our school community, I would like to thank Mr Toohey for his great work on Stage 3 and wish him all the best for his future endeavours. As mentioned in our last newsletter, Both Miss Attard and Miss Rogers will be moving on to new schools in 2020 and we thank them for their contributions and wish them every success. Mrs Hilly has decided to take some well-earned Long Service leave during Term 1. We wish her a wonderful break and look forward to hearing all about her adventures!

In 2020, we will welcome Mrs Tracey McDonald to our school as Assistant Principal. Mrs McDonald is currently in Canada as part of the International Teacher Exchange program and we look forward to the knowledge and skills she will bring to her role at our school.

Lastly, I am pleased to announce that Mrs Wall gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, William, last Thursday. Both Mum and bub are doing well and we wish her family all the best!



## Xmas Picnic

Last Friday afternoon, our P&C held a wonderful end-of-year Christmas picnic. It was lovely to share some time with families as we enjoyed a BBQ and some special treats! Thank you to the families who attended and assisted with stalls and food on the evening.





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## Semester 2 reports

Your child's Semester 2 report have been issued via the Sentral Parent Portal on Monday afternoon. Some important points for parents to remember are:

- SOUND is the expected achievement level that most students should achieve in all learning areas.
- The reports are a POINT IN TIME report. This means that we only report on what has been taught and assessed over Term 3 and Term 4. Therefore, it is possible that your child has performed differently during this reporting period and may receive a different level to Semester 1 reports.

We do not schedule parent-teacher interviews at this time. However, should you have any concerns about your child's report, please make an appointment with your child's new teacher in the new year.

## Holidays

I would like to thank all our families for their support of our students and school in 2019 and wish you all a safe and happy holiday. Have a restful and enjoyable break and we look forward to working with you in 2020.

If you have any concerns regarding the security of our school throughout the holidays, please contact the School Security Hotline on 1300 880 021.

Warm regards,  
Mrs Renai Diamond  
Principal

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS!

## 2020 NSW Women of Year



On Thursday 12 December our Principal Renai Diamond was awarded with the 2020 NSW Women of the Year Award for the Seven Hills Electorate by Mr Mark Taylor MP.

This award is given to recognise and celebrate the outstanding contribution made by women across NSW to industry, communities and society.

Renai has a work ethic that is admired by her staff and anyone who has the pleasure of working with her. Her passion for education makes her a caring and approachable Principal who puts the needs of her students and their families at the forefront of her work. Whether it be a late night P & C meeting, a Bunnings BBQ or an election bake sale you will always find Renai leading the team with her never-ending energy. She is a dedicated member of the Blacktown Learning Community where she shares and collaborates with other educators to better meet the communities needs when it comes to learning. Alongside her professional commitments, Renai also finds time to be an active member of the local community giving her time to participate in activities for the Girl Guides while managing the needs of her own family. We are extremely proud and honoured to have such an outstanding and inspirational educator leading our school.

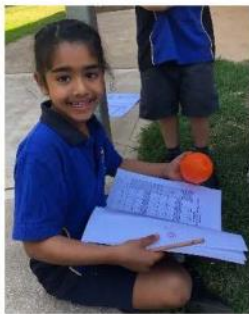


# Class of the Week: K Blue!

In K Blue we have been working hard in Mathematics to learn all about area, capacity and volume. We have had so much fun applying this to everyday objects.



This Term in History and Art we have been learning all about Celebrations. We learnt about how people around the world and in the past have celebrated. We even made celebration food sculptures. It was so much fun!



In Science we are learning all about force and motion and how these affect our world. Check out our awesome catapults!



We celebrated the end of our first year of school with a movie day and class party. Look at all the delicious treats we got to share with our friends. We hope everyone had as much fun as us!

Merry Christmas from K Blue!





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### CLASS EQUIPMENT LIST

Exercise books, arts/crafts supplies and some other selected stationery are provided by the school. Stationery that students are expected to have will vary from class to class and year to year.

**The following is a general guide, teachers may request other items throughout the year.**

#### Years 5-6

- 1 x earphones for computer—high quality
- 2 x boxes of tissues
- 1 x large packet of baby wipes
- 1 x bottle of liquid soap
- 1 x A4 ruled homework book
- 3 x A4 20 page display folder
- 1 x library bag
- 3 x large glue sticks (preferably Bostic, no glue pens please)
- 1 x set of 12 Textas
- 4 x HB lead pencils
- 1 x pencil sharpener
- 1 x set of coloured pencils
- 2 x blue pens
- 2 x black pens
- 2 x red pens
- 4 x highlighter pen (different colours)
- 1 x 30cm ruler (wooden or plastic)
- 1 x eraser
- 1 x small pair of scissors
- 1 x small pencil case or tin—to keep desktop materials
- 1 x larger pencil case
- 1 x A5 student diary
- 1 x pocket dictionary
- 1 x blue, yellow, pink, green highlighter
- No erasable pens

#### Years 1-2

- 1 x earphones for computer—high quality
- 2 x boxes of tissues
- 2 x pack of baby wipes
- 1 x long sleeved painting shirt
- 1 x library bag
- 1 x A4 20 page display folder
- 8 x large glue sticks (preferably Bostic, no glue pens please)
- 1 x A4 book for homework (not spiral bound)
- 1 x set of 12 Textas in a small pencil case
- 1 x set of coloured pencils
- 8 x HB lead pencils
- 1 x pencil sharpener
- 1 x pencil case to hold all the pencils
- 1 x ruler
- 1 x scissors
- 3 x eraser
- 4 x whiteboard markers
- 1 x blue, yellow, pink, green highlighter

#### Years 3-4

- 1 x earphones for computer—high quality
- 2 x boxes of tissues
- 1 x large packet of baby wipes
- 1 x bottle of liquid soap
- 1 x painting shirt
- 1 x A4 20 page display folder
- 1 x library bag
- 3 x large glue sticks (preferably Bostic, no glue pens please)
- 1 x set of 12 Textas
- 4 x HB lead pencils
- 1 x pencil sharpener
- 1 x set of coloured pencils
- 2 x blue pens (Year 4 only)
- 2 x black pens (Year 4 only)
- 2 x red pens
- 4 x highlighter pen (different colours)
- 1 x 30cm ruler
- 1 x eraser
- 1 x small pair of scissors
- 1 x small pencil case or tin—to keep desktop materials
- 1 x larger pencil case
- 1 x A4 book for homework (not spiral bound)
- 1 x A4 sketch book
- 1 x pocket dictionary
- 2 x whiteboard markers
- 1 x blue, yellow, pink, green highlighter
- No erasable pens or bendy rulers

#### Kindergarten

- 1 x painting shirt - long sleeved smock
- 1 x box of tissues
- 1 x earphones for computer—high quality
- 1 x library bag
- 8 x large glue sticks (preferably Bostic, no glue pens please)
- 4 x whiteboard markers
- 2 x plastic A4 pouches – (home reading and communication)
- 1 x pack of baby wipes
- 1 x eraser
- 1 x packet of twister crayons
- 1 x blue, yellow, pink, green highlighter