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Seven Hills North Public School NEWSLETTER

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Term 4—Week 6



DATES FOR DIARY

TERM 3

NOVEMBER

- 27 Leadership Speeches
- 30 Election Day

DECEMBER

- 4 Year 6 Farewell Dinner
- 16 Last Day of Term 4

2021

TERM 1

JANUARY

- 26 Australia Day
- 27 Staff Development Day
- 28 Staff Development Day
- 29 Year 1 - Year 6 Students Return
- Kindergarten Best Start

FEBRUARY

- 1 Years 2 - 6 Swimming Carnival
- 2 Kindergarten Best Start
- 3 Kindergarten Best Start
- 4 Kindergarten - First Day of School

From the Principal's Desk

End of Year Events – Presentation Day

Presentation Day assemblies are not far away and it is exciting that the presentations can proceed but with COVID-19 provisions and adaptations in place. Presentation Assemblies for all Stages will be hosted over two days and with a limited parent presence to meet the square metre and social distancing requirements of NSW Health and Department of Education. Presentation Day for Years 3-6 will be held on Tuesday 8 December and on Wednesday 9 December for Years K-2. Due to current guidelines, there will be a limit of 1 parent for each award winner allowed to attend. A photo will be taken of all award winners and be made available to parents. We acknowledge how important these events are and will endeavour to make them as special as possible.

Further information regarding times and invitations for award winners will be sent home shortly. Please note, that in order for this event to go ahead, parent attendance is by invitation only. All parents will be required to complete COVID-19 visitor information prior to attending and must adhere to strict social distancing guidelines on site. Your compliance with any guidelines and restrictions is greatly appreciated.

Year 6 Farewell

Our Stage 3 teachers have been busy organising our Year 6 farewell, to be held on Friday 4 December at Blacktown RSL in the Sapphire Room. This year there will be changes to the program and procedures due to COVID-19 restrictions and unfortunately **no parents will be attending the farewell**. In order to make the night as safe as possible and avoid large gatherings of adults outside the function room, there will be staggered pick up and drop off times. This timetable will support us to adhere to appropriate social distancing requirements.

Further information has been provided to the parents of our Year 6 students today, including answers to our most frequently asked questions. Permission notes are due to be returned **to the front office by Thursday 26 November 2020**.

Additionally, our Stage 3 teachers are calling for parents of Year 6 students to be part of the organising committee for our Year 6 Farewell. To ensure we are adhering to social distancing requirements, the positions will be filled on a first-in, first-served basis. Assistance is sought for helpers to make cupcakes, donate small silver and gold star confetti to be sprinkled on each table, provide large black painted letters spelling "Class of 2020" to be hung on the wall, organise showbags, set up fairy lights and decorate tables. If you are able to support in some way, please contact Seven Hills North Public School via phone (9624 1275) or email (sevenhilln-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) as soon as possible.

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Kindergarten Transition for 2020 Students

Over the past two weeks we have held two further transition visits for Kindergarten 2021 students. The students have enjoyed participating in a range of literacy, numeracy and craft activities. This week they also enjoyed a tour of the school led by their Year 4 and Year 5 student 'buddies'. We were extremely proud of our Year 4 and 5 students who were outstanding buddies to our new Kindergarten students and wonderful representatives of our school. They will be a familiar face and great support to our newest students when they commence next year.

We have also received extremely positive feedback regarding the 'Kindergarten 2021 Parent Hub' and the series of Parent Information Sessions we have delivered via recordings. A huge thanks to all our staff for contributing to the sessions, providing invaluable information around starting school and ensuring our new students and parents get to know all about our wonderful school and staff. Once again, I would like to thank Miss Blanch for the enormous amount of time she has contributed to creating this online resource and editing these sessions. If you have missed any of these sessions, they can be found at the following link – <https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/2021kindergartenparenthub/home>



Enrolments 2020

Are You Moving In 2020? If you are intending to leave the school at the end of this year, could you please notify the office in writing, as soon as possible (excluding Year 6 of course). Accurate numbers are important for our class planning and staffing for 2020.

Celebrating Student Success

At our school, we have a number of ways of recognising student and rewarding those students who are demonstrating our school expectations. As we are not able to hold school assemblies at this time, we will acknowledge student achievement in our newsletter each fortnight.

Seven Hills North SMILES are presented to students when they are displaying one or more of the expected behaviours on our school matrix. Congratulations to our Week 4 winners, Emmanuel and Leyla and Week 5 winners, Rohan and Elizabeth.



Students receive merit awards if they are consistently displaying expected behaviours. Congratulations to our Silver and Gold award winners...



Silver Award winners: Elijah, Connor, Jackson, Sophie Mairead, Nyanza, Nathaniel and Mathea.



Gold Award winners: Japjot, William, Joshua and Annalyse

Warm regards,

Renai Diamond
Principal

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Gardening Update:

We harvested over 5kg of Kipfler Potatoes after sowing 1kg. The boys had great fun searching for them! Great result guys!

Eugenia and Nicola then helped me wash them all.

Mr Daniel



School Band – Training Band Recruitment 2020

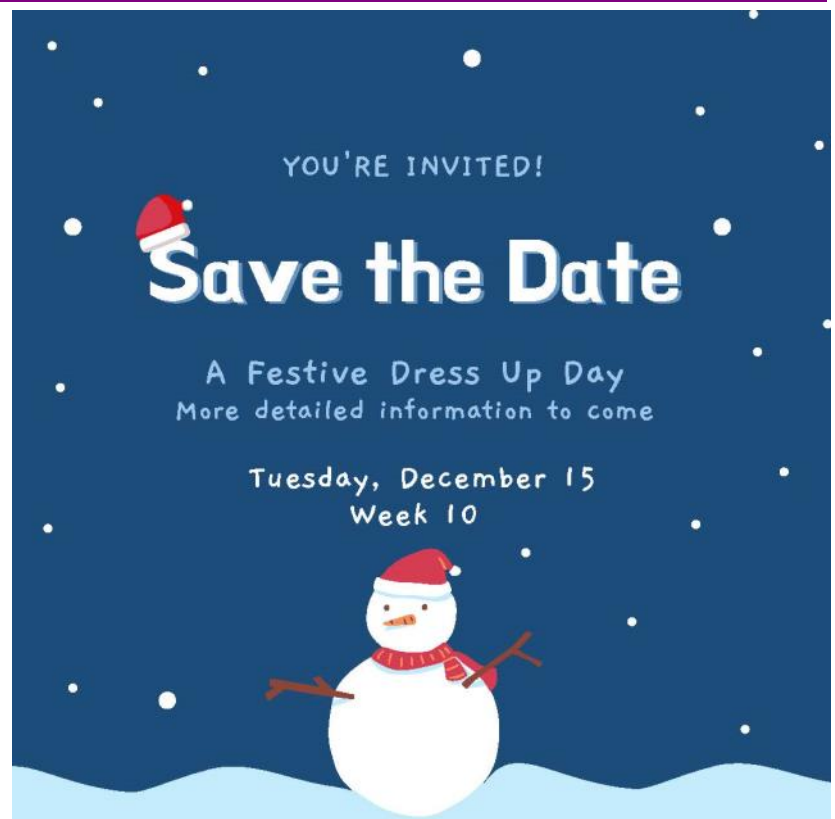
It is now time to register your interest in joining our school Training Band in 2020. For further information, please go to <https://www.schoolbands.com.au/>



Congratulations Mrs Biggar!

On behalf of our school community, I would like to congratulate Mrs Biggar (nee Miss Ricketts) on her recent wedding.

The beautiful bride was glowing on her special day and we wish her and her husband all the best.



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Mr Daniel's Message:

International Men's Day 19 November

International Men's Day encourages men to teach the boys in their lives the values, character and responsibilities of being a man. Mahatma Gandhi said, *"We must become the change we seek."* It is only when we all, both men and women, lead by example that we will create a fair and safe society which allows everyone the opportunity to prosper.

Often, we men forget the position and influence we hold and so either let it go to waste in our disengagement, or abuse it for selfish gain, and our families suffer as a result.

The Month of November is about men stepping into the fullness of their responsibilities and in doing so, blessing their families, their workplaces and our community at large.

"Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value."

Albert Einstein



An update on my Mo growth. It's starting to 'grow' on me.



Here are a few more tips from the Fathering Project on how to be an actively engaged Dad around school and sporting activities – they will love it and so will you.

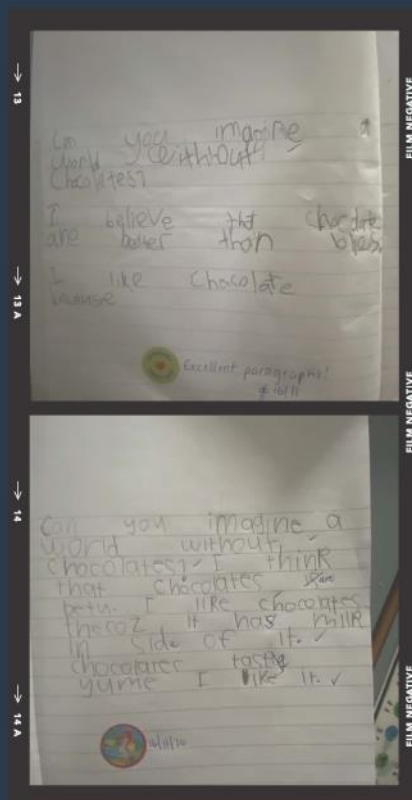
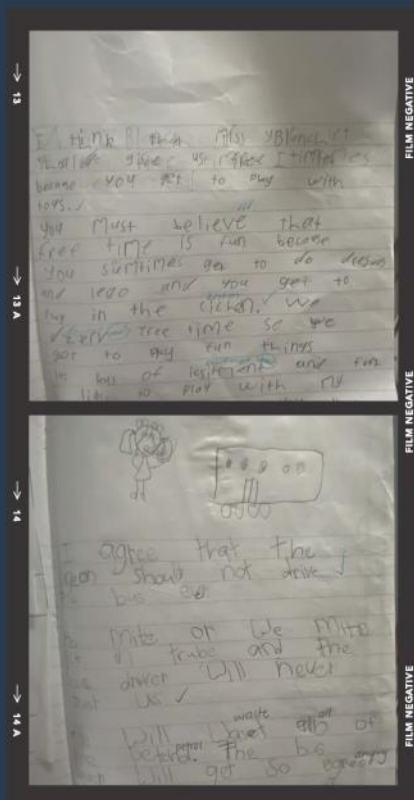
- Keep track of your children's upcoming events each term and put these dates in your calendar.
- Arrange your work schedule around these events whenever possible.
- When you attend events give your full attention. Your child will notice if you are not watching or participating or on your phone.
- Get involved in weekend sport - from being a coach to giving a hand on the BBQ. It is a great way to connect with your kids.
- Be supportive at your kid's activities and encourage them with positive messages.

K/1 Bilbies

English



This Term, K/1 Bilbies have been learning all about persuasive texts and our writing has improved so much! Check out some of our writing below! We are loving talking about our what we are going to write, before we start!



Maths



In Maths, we have been learning about Australian money, telling the time, addition and subtraction, whole number, volume and capacity and multiplication and division!



Class of the Week

Science



We are so excited for the arrival of the chick eggs on Monday! This week we have busily used our knowledge of the needs of living things, to construct suitable enclosures for the chicks.



Other



In Science, we have also been learning about forces and how things move. This week, we were lucky enough to participate in our first 'Friends with Emmy' program, where we learnt all about our bodies and keeping ourselves safe, as part of our PDHPE unit. We are super excited for the next 4 weeks of term and all the wonderful things we are going to get up to! We will be sure to share all our adventures with you, via Class Dojo.

Class of the Week: 5/6 Quokkas & Echidnas

It's a busy time of year especially for Yr. 6 as they complete their last 4 weeks of primary school (but who's counting?). Thought we'd share some photos from our recent excursion to Penrith Lakes.



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EMERY SHIELD MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Emery shield is an award presented by the P&C each year at our presentation day to recognise an outstanding contribution to the school community. The Emery family donated the shield in 1985 when they moved interstate. The Emery's were active members of the P&C and provided additional support and help to the school.

Since then the Shield has been presented to an individual or group of students, parents, or staff who have made a significant contribution to our school, or displayed outstanding achievements in the school. This can be within the year or over a number of years.

If you would like to nominate a parent, community member or staff member for this award, please indicate on the form below and ask your child to drop it into the 'Note' box in the foyer, or email to the school sevenhilln-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au, by Friday 27 November 2020.

✂ _____

EMERY SHIELD NOMINATION

I would like to nominate _____ to receive the Emery Shield
for the following reasons: _____

Nominated by: _____ Date: _____

NEW ENROLMENTS AND STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2021

To assist with planning staffing, accommodation and other resources for next year, we would ask that if you have a child who is due to start Kindergarten in 2021 or know of someone who is in area and has a child due to start Kindergarten please make sure to get your enrolment forms in as soon as possible.

Alternatively if you know that you will not be returning next year or that you will not be starting till later in the year because of a family holiday please complete the following forms and return them to the school office.

To: The Principal, Seven Hills North Public School

Pupils Name: _____ Class: _____

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LEAVERS

☐ My child/children will not be attending Seven Hills North Public School in 2021. Last day of attendance:
Moving to.....(new school)

LATE RETURNERS

☐ My child/children will be returning to Seven Hills North Public School onAnticipated Date of Return)
after the commencement of Term 1, 2021. (Friday , 29 January 2021) because.....

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Signed:(Parent/Guardian).....