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Seven Hills North Public School **NEWSLETTER**



DATES FOR DIARY

TERM 4

NOVEMBER

- **PSSA**
- Leadership slogans due
- **Kinder Orientation**
- STEAM Expo
- **PSSA**
 - Assembly 1.45pm
- **Kinder Orientation**
- **PSSA** 16
- **Swimming Scheme** School Leader Posters Displayed
- 20 **Swimming Scheme**
- Swimming Scheme
- **Kinder Orientation**
- Swimming Scheme Swimming Scheme
- **PSSA**
- Assembly 1.45pm Swimming Scheme 26
- Swimming Scheme 27
- 28 **Swimming Scheme**
- 29 **Swimming Scheme**
- Swimming Scheme

DECEMBER

- School Leader Speeches
- School Leaders Election
- Assembly 1.45pm
- 13 14 **17** 18 Presentation Day
- Reports Home Yr 6 Farewell
- Class Party Day Last Day Term 4
- Staff development day
- Staff development day

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From the Principals Desk

Blacktown City Council Gardening Awards

Recently, our school entered our beautiful front garden into the Blacktown City Council Garden Competition. An awards night was held last Friday, and whilst we weren't awarded a prize, it was a privilege to attend and represent our school and its community. A huge thank you to Mr Sonny Turrisi who also attended and has been integral in designing and landscaping the garden. We are looking forward to extending this beautiful garden area and will be calling for parent volunteers to assist with this ongoing beautification project.



Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Update

PBL is a pro-active discipline model that is based on the principle that desirable behaviours should be taught. That is, procedures used to teach other skills, specifically academic skills, should be used to each appropriate social behaviour. This instructional, teaching-based model can be specifically used to prevent and decrease problem behaviour and to maintain appropriate behaviours. At Seven Hills North, we have the school-wide expectation that our students will be safe, be a friend and be a respectful learner. Our PBL matrix describes the explicit behaviours that demonstrate those expectations. We encourage all parents and students to 'use the language' of our matrix when discussing behaviour, as this provides consistency and reinforces those expectations right across the school community.



Seven Hills North Public School

Be safe	Be a friend	Be a respectful learner
 Walk on hard surfaces and stairs Keep your body to yourself Be in the right place at the right time Use equipment appropriately 	Be kind and polite Report problems to a teacher Treat others the way you want to be treated Be a problem solver	Listen attentively and follow teacher instructions Be prepared Have a go and stay on task Wear school uniform with pride

Cyber Safety Parent Session

Technology plays an important role in how young people maintain their friendships and communicate with those closest to them. Technology is no different to anything else a young person encounters. They will make mistakes, and we need to be able to support them through this. It is imperative that we, as parents and carers, arm them with the right information, empowering them to make the right choices.

To help parents and carers to support their child's safe use of technology, social media and online forums, we have organised a parent seminar to be presented by Senior Constable John Bollard. Constable Bollard is the Youth Liaison Officer at Riverstone Police Station and he also works closely with cyber police task forces. Through this presentation, Constable Bollard will present ways to help keep your children safe in our ever changing, technological world. You will also have the opportunity to ask questions.

The seminar will take place on **Tuesday 13 November 2018 at 6pm** in the school hall. It is for parents only. Students are welcome to come to the library where they will watch a movie while being supervised by Seven Hills North Public School staff. We strongly recommend that all parents of Stage 2 and Stage 3 students attend and encourage parents of younger students to also attend if they are able. Notes have been sent home to all families so if you are able to attend, please complete the slip below and return it to the office by Friday 9 November.

Kiss and Drop

Recently, we have experienced some extreme weather, including torrential rain and thunderstorms, at home time dismissal. This has made conditions for our 'Kiss and Drop' pick up extremely



dangerous for our staff and students. After conducting a risk assessment, it has been determined that during extreme weather conditions, such as thunderstorms, the 'Kiss and Drop' pick up will be closed. In this instance, a sign will be placed at the pick-up bay indicating that parents will be required to park their cars and collect their child from the library.

Student Leadership Election

It is that time of year where our Year 5 students are busy preparing their nominations for our leadership elections, in order to be elected for a position on the School Leadership Team in 2019. These positions are very important and are highly regarded within the school community. Seven Hills North Public School has a set of criteria and expectations for leadership positions within the school, as students holding leadership positions in Year 6 will be ambassadors for our school and role models to our students.

It is expected that our student leaders will:

- Aim to do their best at all times.
- Follow school expectations at all times.
- Maintain acceptable and responsible standards of behaviour at all times - act with integrity, honesty and respect.
- Work well as a team member.
- Co-operate at all times with teachers, parents and other students.
- Demonstrate being a good school citizen by fulfilling their responsibilities and participating in school events.
- Treat all students as they, themselves, would like to be treated.
- Behave safely and responsibly while representing our school on excursions and events.
- Demonstrate being a good sport and encourage fellow students to do the same.
- Maintain acceptable schoolwork standards.
- Dress in the appropriate school uniform consistently.
- Have participated in a variety of extracurricular activities and demonstrated commitment to school service.

Student leaders are expected to fulfil particular roles within 3/4H Report our school. Leadership roles may include:

- Providing leadership to the student body.
- Being an active member of the SRC.
- Representing and speaking publicly on behalf of the student body at school functions.
- Running assemblies and presenting school awards.
- Assisting with playground issues when required toilets, canteen, and movement in the playground.
- Addressing dignitaries or school visitors.
- Assisting with school events.
- Reporting on current issues arising from SRC meetings.
- Engaging in the formation of possible solutions.
- Contributing as a member of active school teams eg, sport, student welfare, etc.
- Addressing the P&C when required.
- Assisting new students to the school and implementing an induction program

We look forward to seeing our potential leaders deliver their speeches on Wednesday 5 December.

Renai Diamond Principal

2H Report

- Welcome back to Term 4. The students have settled back into their routine well and are excited for what Term 4 will
- This term we are focusing on Persuasive texts and learning the techniques. We are working on persuading and convincing our audience.
- So far, in Maths we have worked on portioning 3-digit numbers, looking at graphs for data and addition and subtraction with 2-digit numbers.
- This term Ms Devine has a wonderful Science unit on Dinosaurs. The children are very excited about this topic.
- We are continuing with History this term. We will look at aboriginal places that have a Dreaming story, eg the Three Sisters. We will also look at how technology has changed over the years.
- I will be on leave for four weeks and have left 2H in the capable hands of Mrs Sargent.

Mrs Hilly

- What a busy start to the term 3/4H have had with lots of exciting, hands on activities in class.
- In Mathematics students have been collecting data and using different software programs to present their data in different tables. Students have worked on rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000. Students have also completed the PAT Maths tests for the year and I look forward to seeing how much they have learnt this year.
- Students have been excited to start our skipping program for fitness, where they are learning the different techniques to become a confident skipper. Skipping is a great way to build fitness and focus on different Fundamental Movement Skills. This has been a lot of fun for the students as they slowly build their skills each week.
- In literacy groups, students have been working on their editing skills so they can build their skills when editing their own writing. This has seen students identify mistakes in punctuation and spelling and using a dictionary to correct the spelling mistakes. Students have begun to explore the book 'Emu' focusing on their predicting and questioning strategies. Students then used these skills to predict a storyline from just the pictures in the book, this led to some really creative stories as everyone had different ideas of what order the pictures went in and what was happening in the story.
- In Writing, students have been focusing on planning their writing and using this plan as they write. Students are given a word and they are writing for 10mins using what they have learnt about the different language features to produce a short text. We have also started peer editing, using the skills built in literacy groups to edit their peer's writing.
- Our Creative Arts rotations have started with students learning different drama techniques. Students were given a sentence and had to continue the story as they went around the circle. They also had the opportunity to use their improvisation skills giving a quick performance in front of their peers.
- In PDHPE we have followed on from our unit on positive relationships and have started learning about cyber safety and how to keep safe online whether it is during gaming or watching you tube clips. I hope the parents of 3/4H have the opportunity to come along to the cyber safety talk being held in the hall as it provides valuable information on how to keep students safe with the ever changing technology they are now exposed to.
- The topic talk for Term 4 has been handed out this week and they are due in week 5. This links to our history topic of Celebrations around the world. Students will be chosen at random to perform their talk so please ensure it is ready by Monday week 5. Students are encouraged to dress up and show creativity in their presentation.

3/4B Report

Welcome back to Term 4!

It's hard to believe that we are in our final term together. I speak from the bottom of my heart when I say it has been an absolute pleasure to watch my kids in 3/4B learn and grow and it's been great to look back at work that was being produced at the start of the year to see just how far they've come. Term 4, like every other term, is going to be a full one! Here's just some of the few things we've been up to so far and will continue to work on this term:

- Finishing off the 'Communities' part of our History unit before moving on to looking at celebrations both in Australia and all over the world
- Attending the Water Safety talk to learn how to be safe in and around inland waterways. The kids learnt about the AQUA strategy to stay safe.
- Stage 2 Creative Arts afternoons every Tuesday in the hall.
 The kids have really enjoyed learning improvisation in
 Drama and we are starting to look at the 'classics' in Music
- Continuing on with our 'Words Their Way' spelling program and looking deeply into word attack strategies such as syllabification
- Hitting the ground running with Mathematics, including a group Data project about class awards.
- The kids have thoroughly enjoyed incorporating Kids News into their Literacy Group time.
- We will continue to focus on Creative Writing this term with a focus on story writing for the remainder of the term.
- Notes have now gone home for the Stage 2 topic talks which will happen in Week 5. The topic is 'Celebrations'.
 I cannot wait to hear all the amazing speeches!
- I look forward to the fun-filled term ahead and know the kids are just as excited!

Mrs Baxter

MESSAGE FROM THE P&C

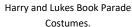
Bunnings BBQ

The P&C will be running a Bunnings BBQ on **Saturday 10 November** at Seven Hills Bunnings a volunteers list is attached to the community noticeboard for those of you who would be able to spare a small amount of time to come down and help us out.

1B Report

- This term in English, 1B have been looking at Persuasive texts and have been writing some amazing persuasive pieces of writing. They have even tried to convince me to get them a class pet!
- In reading groups this term, we have incorporated Readers
 Theatre as one of our groups. The students are thoroughly
 enjoying being able to get into new roles each week and
 present their play to their peers.
- In Mathematics we have been looking at collecting and analysing data, whole numbers and addition and subtraction.
- Students have been changing their home readers a lot more regularly, which is great to see!
- Please get your Swim Scheme notes and money back by Friday 9 November 2018. Swim scheme will be in Week 6 and 7 this term.







Hamish building 3D Shapes using sticks and marshmallows.

Miss Blanch

KB Report

- KB have been working very hard and I am exceptionally proud of the progress they have been making.
- The boys and girls have worked very well with Miss
 O'Rourke our pre-service teacher. We will be sad to say
 good-bye at the end of Week 4. But now that she has
 finished her teaching degree we hope that she will be back
 teaching at Seven Hills North very soon. Thanks Miss
 O'Rourke for all your hard work and wonderful lessons.
- As the weather warms up, please remember to send the children with a drink each day. It is especially important that they have water with crunch and sip, as the natural sugars left from our beautiful summer fruits, can cause tooth decay and a mouthful of water helps prevent the decay.
- Remember hats each day. The children should be wearing them during all play breaks and sport.

Mrs Blume

KH Report

KH have been working hard over the past three weeks of term 4!

- When I am in KH before school, please feel free to take a
 quick look at the new artworks! If you would like to discuss
 any issues further about your child, it is preferred that you
 ring the school to make an appointment.
- As the end of the year is approaching, it is beginning to get very busy. Students may appear very tired when returning home from school. Please ensure they bring healthy food including their fruit for crunch and sip as well as a snack for recess and a small meal for lunch.
- Students have been working hard on their High Frequency words and their latest Tricky Words (words learnt by sight without sounding strategies). I encourage all parents or willing family members to keep practicing these words as these continuously appear in home readers.
- It is good to see that students are bringing their hats to school. Please keep this up as students are able to play on the grass if they have a hat during recess and lunchtime. A hat may be of benefit for morning play before school as the sun is still shining.

I look forward to the rest of the term with KH! Miss Hinds

2G Report

- Wow! Here we are in Term 4 already, and we have a busy and exciting term ahead!
- Thank you to our Parent Helpers who have been diligently helping us all year. We have loved having you visit us each week. Please keep your eye out for our Parent Helpers Morning Tea invitation and join us for a special Thank you.
- Don't forget that swimming school is coming up in Weeks 6 and 7 for those lucky children involved in this.
- We are continuing Homework and Home Reading this term so keep up the great work. You may notice a few interesting changes coming up so be on the lookout!
- Seven Hills North Idol auditions are coming up next week.
 Get your act together!
- We all enjoyed the very informative talk given by the people from Royal Life Saving on Monday. Please discuss this with your children and talk to them about your expectations of them with regard to water safety.
- We are running low on glue sticks so if anyone could bring some in that would be great.
- This term we are learning about Persuasive writing in English, doing some gymnastics in Sport, learning about Dinosaurs in Science and reviewing lots of the maths activities we have been doing throughout the year. It is important that we keep up the great standard of work we have been doing all year.

Kind Regards Mrs Goodman

1M Report

Week 3 and 1M have been busy, busy, busy and...busy.

- 1M has been fortunate enough to have had Ms Cowey back with us for the last three weeks. Ms Cowey has had a wonderful time getting to know 1M and teaching them fantastic new things. Ms Cowey has 1 more week with us. It has been wonderful having Ms Cowey sharing our learning, the students have thoroughly enjoyed having her and 1M wishes her all the very best for the future.
- In literacy this term, 1M is learning all about 'persuasive texts". 1M has been specifically learning about 'rhetorical questions' and 'emotive language'.
- 1M have been learning about rounding up and rounding down in maths as well as equivalent number sentences.
 We have some very clever mathematicians in our class.
- In Science this term 1M is learning about dinosaurs and it
 has been amazing to hear all the many dinosaur facts that
 1M knows.
- In PE this term, Stage 1 is incorporating gymnastics into our sport lessons and we get to do some wonderful activities and use our skills.
- A reminder that homework is due every Friday. 1M has a
 very special goal that we are aiming for. Also some new
 home readers will be heading home over the next week to
 increase 1M's home reading. Don't forget to send them
 hack.
- Another reminder to any student that will be engaged in the swim school scheme coming up, don't forget to bring all your swimming gear to school.
- Finally, SHNPS Idol will be commencing auditions next week. Students need to have any music etc. that they will require on a USB to give to the teachers at their audition. SHNPS Idol will be held on Friday 14 December, the day after presentation day but students need to get organised now. Hopefully we will see many of our talented 1M stars auditioning.

Ms Mossfield

SHNPS IDOL

Auditions

Auditions for Seven Hills North Idol will be taking place from next week. Please make sure students who require music have it available on USB for their audition.

IDOL Day

Idol will be held on **Friday 14 December from 9.30am to Lunch,** there will be the normal recess break as an intermission. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. There will not be a schedule of performances please do not contact the office to find out what time your child is performing.

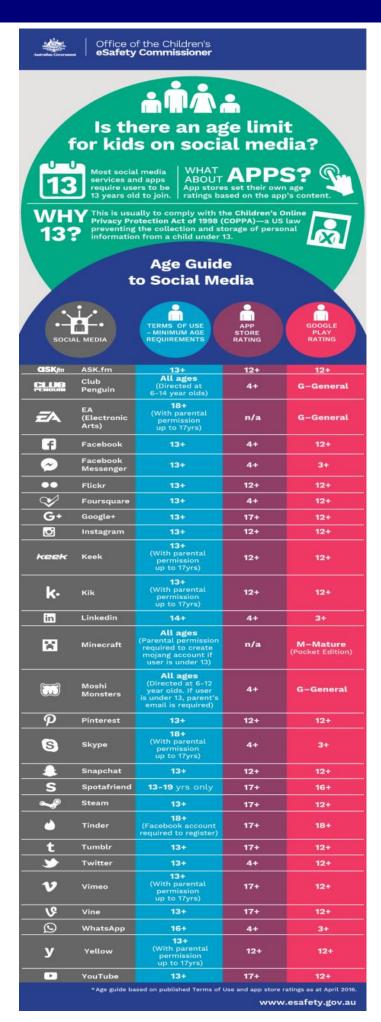
Stage 3 Report

- What a busy term we have down in Stage 3! We started the term off with a day down at Seven Hills High School participating in their smooth walking transition program. The year 5 and 6 students were able to experience high school lessons in art, physical education, history and robotics. Following on from this Year 6 will have a 'high school week' in week 8 of this term. During this week teachers will provide lessons around the school for the students to participate in. It is sure to be a great week for the students!
- This term we have started an English unit looking at argument and exploring these concepts in TED talks. The students are enjoying this and have already improved their ability to write a range of persuasive texts. The students have also been learning about child protection in our health lessons. These lessons are really important in keeping our kids safe and for them to know how to respond when they are in situations that make them feel unsafe. It would be great if you could reinforce these concepts with your child at home.
- We would like to invite everyone to the STEAM Team Expo that is at Vardys Road PS next Thursday 8 November from 2pm-5pm. ALL are welcome to come and see what the Year 6 Seven Hills North PS STEAM Team has been up to over the course of the year. Their work is amazing and they are excited to share it beyond their morning sessions.



 As it is a busy time especially for year 6 and there is a lot of information to pass on, please be checking your emails as we will continue to send information out to you this way.

Mrs Otten and Miss Ricketts.



EMERY SHIELD MEMORIAL TROPHY



The Emery shield is an award presented by the P&C each year at our presentation night 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.

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Since then the Shield has bee made a significant contribution be within the year or over a r	on to our school, or d	. ,	parents, or staff who have ments in the school. This can
If you would like to nominate the form below and drop it ir			or this award, please indicate ovember 2018.
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To: The Principal, Seven Hills	North Public School		
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My child/children will be returning	ng to Seven Hills North Pu	blic School on	(Anticipated Date of Return)
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My child/children will be returning to Seven Hills North Public School on	(Anticipated Date of Return)
after the commencement of Term 1, 2019. (Wednesday, 30 January 2019) because	

Signed: (Parent/Guardian)





Proposed Future Education Provision - Nirimba Collegiate

Community Q & A Nights

The four Principals of the Nirimba Collegiate invite you to a Community O & A Night.

In order to meet the needs of a growing number of students studying Years 11 and 12 in the North West region, the Collegiate Management Group, consisting of the Principals of Seven Hills High School, Riverstone High School, Quakers Hill High School and Wyndham College, are currently formulating a proposal that significantly expands our Collegiate.

In the proposed model Quakers Hill, Riverstone and Seven Hills High Schools would become 7-12 campuses and Wyndham College would retain its status as a Years 11 and 12 campus.

All interested parents, carers and students from any of the Nirimba Collegiate schools and their local primary schools are welcome to attend ANY of the following Q & A Nights:

7th November 6pm at Riverstone High School

12th November 6pm at Quakers Hill High School

14th November 6.30pm at Seven Hills High School

29th November 4.00pm at Wyndham College

Your opinions, comments and feedback will be considered as we continue to develop the proposed model.

Yours sincerely.

 Greg Johnstone
 Karen Downie
 Andrew Skehan
 Karen Smith

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New Student School Uniform Fittings

For new students we have introduced a system where appointments can be made to try on and purchase your school uniform and book packs

To accommodate the needs of our school community we will be opening the Uniform Shop on the weekends either side of Year 7 Orientation. These days are Saturday 1/12/18, Sunday 2/12/18, Saturday 8/12/18 and Sunday 9/12/18. Appointments are available to all new students in all years.

Appointments can be made by typing this URL https://chsus.acuityscheduling.com/ into your browsers address bar. Only available appointment times will show so please book as early as possible to secure the time slot that suits you best.

We will also be opening during the following times on a walk up basis but to avoid possible lengthy queues we strongly recommend you take advantage of our appointments.

appointments.

Refer to Crestwood High school website, and facebook page for updates

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS 2018 - 2019

DECEMBER 2018

Saturday 01/12/2018	9am – 4pm by appointment
Sunday 02/12/2018	10am - 3pm by appointment
Tuesday 04/12/2018	2.30pm – 6pm
Wednesday 05/12/2018	7.30am - 1.30pm
Saturday 08/12/2018	10am - 4pm by appointment
Sunday 09/12/2018	9am – 4pm by appointment
Wednesday 12/12/2018	7.30am - 1.30pm

January 2019

Wednesday 23/01/2019	7.30am - 12.30pm	
Thursday 24/01/2019	3pm – 7pm	
Friday 25/01/2019	7.30am - 1.30pm	
Tuesday 29/01/2019	7.30am - 1.30pm	
Wednesday 30/01/2019	7.30am - 1.30pm	
Saturday 02/02/2019	9am – 1pm	

USUAL OPENING HOURS:

EVERY WEDNESDAY 7.30AM – 10.45AM DURING SCHOOL TERM
FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH 9AM – 1PM DURING SCHOOL TERM ONLY
WE ACCEPT MASTERCARD, VISA AND EFTPOS NO CHEQUES

