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IMPORTANT DATES

29/11/2018	Presentation Day
04/12/2018	Year 6 Orientation Day for Public High Schools
05/12/2018	Year 6 Graduation and Farewell
19/12/2018	Last day of school for students

AWARDS

Merit Awards

Arash Afzali, Gadear Alanzi,
Habiba Habib, Siddique Khanzada,
Baseer Shafaq, Noah Soueid, Lucas Ho,
Kahurangi Simeon, Emil Vukic,
Radhey Patel, Kaelanni Pitolua,
Elangkeeran Pushparajah,
Athawen Vikkinathanan,
Orianthi Lagaloga, Sarah Maksumic,
Temuulen Byambanaran, Waheed Nazari
Jude Al Tememy, Sukaina Shafeei,
Reda Zahid, Arash Aakefi,
Farwa Batool Ali, Sahra Elmi,
Khalid Chaouk, Amir Ramezani,
Arizona Siaaga, Yasir Shafi,
Amina Bhatti, Danah Muspah,
William Smith, Tiamana Kaio,
Ephrathah Kiflu, Ansh Nandkani,
Maria Nejadi, Haani Muhammad Bakhsh,
Yusuf Kasim, Zainab Ahmadi,
Ahmed Ahmed, Faareah Farzeen,
Arshpreet Singh, Sajeda Akbari,
Alexis Ihimaera, Natasha Antonio,
Abigail Kiflu, NG Simeon,
Meriam Al Jawadi, Muhammed Al Rekaby
Anjana Kumar, Anton Isaako,
Muskan Nazari, Mohibullah Mobin,
Isikeli Serukabaivata

5 Class Awards

Aanya Prajapati,
Haani Muhammad Bakhsh,
Maryam Abdul Rahimzai,
Dhanika Pathirana, Yusuf Kasim,
Aarlum Sandhu, Claire Anderson,
Zainab Ahmadi, Shabir Sultani,
Jeize Soriano, Mohammad Haidari,
Joanna Lin, Baseer Shafaq, Aydin Islam
Faiqa Batool Ali, Hossain Elsayih,
Mandy He, Fatima Al Tae, e,
Namira Nawar, Michelle Li

Banners

Husna Shafaq, Zohal Afzali,
Zahra Rahmani, Noah Soueid



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We are halfway through Term 4 and transition programs have commenced for some Year 6 students into high school. Our school's psychologist Ms Fleming is meeting with a group of students and preparing them for the adjustment into a new school. All students attending a public high school in 2019 will have a formal Orientation Day on Tuesday 4th December. Part of the Orientation Day is learning how to travel to their new school by planning ahead.

It is always a joyous occasion to see Kindergarten 2019 orientated into a new school. It must be quite daunting for some children to leave their parent and learn about a new environment. Today is the third and final orientation session and another chance for our staff to observe the students personal and social skills and their interactions with others. Kindergarten 2019 will have a staggered start with some students commencing on Thursday 31st January and some on Friday 1st February 2019. All other students are due to commence 2019 on Wednesday 29th January 2019. If you intend to be away at the start of the school year, it is important that you inform the office so that your child is placed in a class for next year.

Last Sunday, 6 students attended the Merrylands RSL Sub Branch Centenary Remembrance Service of Armistice Day. It was 100 years ago on the 11th November 1918 that the official ending to World War 1 occurred. Sadly, it was only 21 years later that World War 2 broke out and millions more lives were lost. As a school, it is our role to teach children about living peacefully and harmoniously in our society and that arguments and disputes can be resolved by discussion rather than violence. Bullying, discrimination, direct and indirect racism, all have no place in our school or society.

At this time of the year, teachers are finalising school reports for students and their parents in readiness to be sent home in the next two weeks. Primary school reports do not predetermine the life opportunities of students nor does it reflect everything a child has learnt at school.

The NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA), which is responsible for developing curriculum standards for all schools, has determined the descriptions of the achievement grades: Outstanding Achievement, High Achievement, Sound Achievement Basic Achievement and Limited Achievement. These grades correspond to the NSW state grades of A - E. The decision of the awarded grade for achievement has been made from your child's produced work and other forms of evidence. Families that have joined our school at the end of last term or this term will be offered an opportunity to attend a parent-teacher meeting rather than receive a written school report.

The NSW Government Office of Sport launched the Shoosh for Kids campaign last weekend in order to curb the rise in spectators abusing players and officials (referees /umpires) in sport. This ultimately leads to less people being involved in sport. The general rule is, if you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all. As we head into the last few rounds and potentially semi-finals of PSSA, it is important that we all adhere to the expected behaviour for spectators and promote fair play and sportsmanship.

Last Thursday, we farewelled School Administration Manager Mrs Cabardo after 22 years of Service to Merrylands East Public School and students of NSW Public Education. Given that our school recently celebrated its 90th anniversary, 22 years is almost a quarter of the school's history. We will all miss Mrs Cabardo and wish her all the very best as she transitions into a new period in her life.

John Goh
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

PRESENTATION DAY

Presentation Day for 2019 will be held on Thursday 29th November from 8.30am to 10.30am in the school hall. All parents and carers are most welcome to attend.

This is an opportunity for the school community to celebrate the achievements of our students.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION CEREMONY

The Year Six Graduation Ceremony is a time to celebrate your child's successes at Merrylands East Public School.

Please join us for the ceremony followed by light refreshments.

Where: School Hall

When: Wednesday, 5th December 2018

Time: 8.30am.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

The traditional Year 6 farewell will be held at Club Merrylands cnr Newman and Oxford Sts, Merrylands on Wednesday 5th December. This occasion consists of a formal dinner followed by an informal dance and an opportunity for students to spend time with one another before going their separate ways next year. It will start at 6pm and finish at 8pm.

CANTEEN NEEDS YOU!!

Volunteers are needed every day, especially on a Monday. Any help on any day, once a week, once a fortnight or even once a month would help keep the Canteen running. Any help would be welcome.

Please see Dina in the Canteen if you can help.



RETURNING TO SCHOOL IN 2019

It is important to let the school know of your intentions for 2019 so a place can be held for your child. Please return the form to the Office as soon as possible.

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2019

If you or someone you know has a child who turns 5 before 31st July 2019, we are now accepting enrolments. We will need a Birth Certificate and Passport, proof of address and an Immunisation history statement. Please pick up an enrolment form from the Office and return it as soon as possible.



SCHOOL SPORT

This week 16th November T-Ball will play against Granville Public School at Granville Park, Claremont St, Merrylands and \$8 bus fare is required.

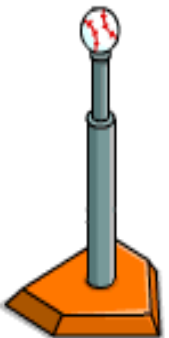
Softball will play against Auburn North Public School at Harry Gapes Reserve, Lavinia St, Merrylands and \$8 bus fare is required.

Next week 23rd November, Softball and T-Ball teams will be playing against Granville South Public School at Harry Gapes Reserve, Lavinia St, Merrylands.

\$8 bus fare is required.

Softball training is on Tuesdays at 1.15pm 2.30pm at school

T-Ball training is on Thursdays at 1.15pm-2.30pm at school



Siblings are not eligible for the Homework Centre on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

LIBRARY NEWS

Our Library has many wonderful books that are borrowed regularly by our students. To protect our books from being damaged please make sure you provide your child with a Library bag or other suitable bag. In order to protect our resources, students will not be able to borrow books without a suitable bag to protect them.

Library bags are available in the Uniform shop for \$10.

The Library will be open before school on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 7.30am-7.55am for returning and borrowing books.

P&C AND COMMUNITY NEWS

P&C Meeting and AGM will be held on Thursday 15th November at 8:30am in the community room.

Elections for all the vacant executive positions (President, Two Vice Presidents, treasurer and secretary) will take place.

Please support the school community by attending the meeting.

Thanks Zamilah Pervez

P&C Secretary

DENTAL VISIT

Dr Steven Doan of Taylor Groenlund & Doan Dental Surgery in Merrylands visited recently to check the teeth of our Year 1 and Year 6 students. He also explained the importance of healthy eating and brushing teeth. If you received a letter and your child was recommended treatment – don't forget to call your dentist to make an appointment. In most cases treatment is FREE under the Medicare Child Dental Benefits Scheme. Merrylands Dental surgery specializes in treating children. Tel: 9637 8877.

Dr Steven Doan talking to Year 6 students.



