

KULNURA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

13 November, 2019
Week 5 Term 4



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Diary Dates

Friday 15 November

- Basketball (sports uniform)

Wednesday 20 November

- Library

Thursday 21 November

- Assembly @ 9.10am – All welcome
- Yoga (sports uniform)

Friday 22 November

- Basketball (sports uniform)

Wednesday 27 November

- Library
- Book Mobile

Thursday 28 November

- Yoga (sports uniform)

Friday 29 November

- Questacon Science Show 9.10am @ school – All students K–6
- Basketball (sports uniform)

Tuesday 3 December

- KMHS Orientation Day for Yr6 students starting Yr7 2020 @ KMHS

Wednesday 4 December

- Library

Thursday 5 December

- Assembly @ 9.10am – All welcome
- Yoga (sports uniform)

Friday 6 December

- Basketball (sports uniform)

Monday 9 December

- End of year rewards day @ Toowoona Bay SLSC – All students K–6

Tuesday 10 December

- CARES @ Palmdale for Stage 3 students

Thursday 12 December

- Yoga (sports uniform)

Friday 13 December

- End of Year Presentation – All welcome

Principal's Message

Bushfire season is always a stern reminder of our responsibilities as staff, parents or community members. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents for their understanding on the first catastrophic fire danger day I have been involved in in my 27 years of teaching. The Department of Education and RFS advisors were very supportive, making the process and procedures clear, concise and effective. With a huge number of fires occurring across the state it was a sensible decision not to create any further incidents locally that may have stretched the resources within the fire services. Let's hope we do not have any further catastrophic fire days, and all families are now prepared at home in the event an unfortunate fire arises. Prevention is always better than managing a bushfire.

Last year the Small Schools Spectacular was a first-class production and the largest annual small schools' event of its kind anywhere in the region. The Small Schools Spectacular will be back in 2020 and the show will once again involve Central Mangrove PS, Jilliby PS, Kulnura PS, Somersby PS and Wyong Creek PS. A show of this magnitude requires much preparation. In addition to the actual performance the rehearsals and behind the scenes preparation will enrich our participating students learning immensely.

It will be a privilege for all participating students to be part of the performance and I would like to take this opportunity to give each family as much notice as possible in preparation for the spectacular.

Last week our Small Schools Relay Team of Noah C, Angus G, Memphis S and Charlie L competed at the NSW PSSA State Athletics Carnival. We are proud of their efforts finishing third in their heat. Thank you to all the parents who transported their child to the venue. We hope it was a great experience for the team. Very few schools have students that get the opportunity to represent at state level. This year Kulnura Public School has achieved fantastic results at state level on the sporting field.

Congratulations to all our graduates from Children's University. The activities undertaken for the Children's University initiative help students to think about how they learn outside of school of school. The activities the students noted in their passports are valuable and worthwhile learning and encourage students to get involved in the wider community. Thank you to all parents and carers who supported their children with their learning passports.

The Coding Workshops will be offered again in 2020 in the same format as this year. Following responses from the parents survey undertaken by Matt Braggins from **Scope IT**, we are looking at running the Scope It **Coding Workshops** in Term 1 2020. Students will be able to use their **Creative Kids Vouchers** offered by the State Government and if interest allows we will

also offer the workshops in semester two using students second creative voucher.

A huge thank you to the parents of our new Kinders for 2020 and Mrs Booth for running our transition program. The first day for all students including our Kindergarten students in 2020 will be Wednesday 29 January 2020. All students will return to school the same day making it easier for families on the first day of the 2020 school year. More information regarding Kindergarten in 2020 will be sent out to our families later the Term.

Finally, I would like invite all our families to our end of year **Presentation** being held on **Friday 13 December at 9.30am**. All families are invited to attend. We will Farewell our Year 6 students as part of the presentation with morning tea and with a piece of the Year 6 Farewell cake being supplied.

Thank you.

Steve Collins
PRINCIPAL



Community Announcements

CURTAIN UP

SHOWCASING AUSTRALIAN SOLOISTS



FEATURING

Chaminade Flute Concertino
Soloist - Janet Webb

Doppler Flute Duet
Soloists - Janet Webb and Kate Rockstrom

Sydney Wind Symphony
Music Director - Fiona Lucas

Central Coast Concert Band
Music Director - Patrick Brennan

Gosford High School Bands
Music Director - Rowan McBride
Music Director - Diane Gardiner

JANET WEBB
Retired Principal Flautist
Sydney Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, 1 December | 2.30 pm
Gosford High School Hall
Racecourse Rd, Gosford

TICKETS
\$15 adult | \$5 student concession
available at the door or book at
www.trybooking.com

  

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Dear CU Children and Families,

I would like to write a letter of thanks and congratulations to all students that attended the recent Children's University graduation ceremonies. This year we welcomed onto campus 1500 graduating students and over 4,000 families across the six evenings.

The CU team would like to congratulate all students for their behaviour and enthusiasm shown throughout the evening. We planned for these evenings to be a celebration and recognition of the effort and time you have placed into all the learning opportunities throughout the year.

Thank you to all families that attended. We appreciate your presence on the evening, hope you enjoyed the celebration, and look forward to seeing you all again in the future.

Children's University continues to encourage children and their families to keep learning in their communities during the Christmas holiday period. All learning experiences that occur between now and Term 1 next year are added into the hours for 2020 Graduation. Please place a line in your passports to indicate that 2019 hours are finalised.

Our FACEBOOK page lists events over school holidays. **Children's University Australasia (Newcastle)**

Your passport hours continue across into next year. To be eligible for graduation in 2020 you need to have moved up into the next award category. For example, if you got 30 hours this year you would have to make it to 65 hours to get the Silver Award.

This program is an annual commitment. Children have the capacity to opt into the program each year. If you would like to be involved next year, please indicate this to your teacher in charge of the program.

Once again thank you, children for your enthusiasm for learning and parents for your support. If you or your family has any questions about the program, please contact us. If you would like to make suggestions for improvements or place a comment regarding the evening please do so at childrensuniversitynewcastle@newcastle.edu.au or call 49218739. Hope to see you all in 2020.

Children's University Newcastle Team



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Did your child see the
Shell Questacon Science Circus
and love it?
Do they want more?
Then come along to our free
Science Circus Pop-up!

The *Shell Questacon Science Circus Pop-up* is a great opportunity for parents and children to share, discover and explore science together. Come along and spin like an ice-skater, discover how fast you can throw a ball, freeze your shadow on a wall and test your reflexes. Spectacular science shows are presented regularly during opening hours. You may see giant smoke rings, bricks being smashed on someone's stomach or a Science Circus presenter holding fire in their hands!

Science toys for sale.

Saturday 30 November, 10 am–3 pm
Niagara Park Stadium
18 Washington Avenue
NIAGARA PARK

Saturday 7 December, 10 am–3 pm
Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium
Duffys Road
TERRIGAL

The details above are correct at time of printing – please check your school newsletter and student ticket or follow the Facebook events. Tour Co-ordinator – 0447 160 124 - on tour from Tuesday 19 November 2019.

Children under 12 MUST be accompanied by an adult

Admission: FREE
No Booking required