



The Fennell Bay Bulletin

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Term 1 Week 4

Tuesday 18th February 2020

CALENDAR - TERM 1

Week 4

Fri 21st Feb Induction Assembly 9.15am
Swimming Sport -
Navy, Tangerine, Sapphire, Teal, Emerald

Week 5

Fri 28th Feb Swimming Sport -
Navy, Tangerine, Sapphire, Teal, Emerald

Week 6

Fri 6th Mar Clean Up Australia
Swimming Sport -
Navy, Tangerine, Sapphire, Teal, Emerald

Week 7

Mon 9th Mar P&C AGM Meeting 6pm
Fri 13th Mar Swimming Sport -
Navy, Tangerine, Sapphire, Teal, Emerald

Week 8

Mon 16th Mar School Photos - All School
Fri 20th Mar Harmony Day
Swimming Sport -
Navy, Tangerine, Sapphire, Teal, Emerald

Week 9

Fri 27th Mar Swimming Sport -
Navy, Tangerine, Sapphire, Teal, Emerald

Week 10

Thurs 2nd Apr NRMA Science and Road Safety
Day
Fri 3rd Apr Swimming Sport -
Navy, Tangerine, Sapphire, Teal, Emerald

Week 11

Mon 6th Apr Easter Hat Making K-2
Thurs 9th Apr Easter Concert
Last Day for term 1

Reminders from the Office

- All students who catch the bus **MUST HAVE** an Opal Card. The bus drivers do check and it is a requirement for catching the bus. As it is the start of the year and students maybe waiting for their opal card, there is a grace period for a couple of weeks.
- Students should not arrive at school before 8.30am as there is no teacher supervision until then. Breakfast Club is open from 8am in Nar-un-bah for students who arrive earlier than 8.30am and haven't had their breakfast.
- 2nd Hand Uniform - if your child has outgrown their uniform, please consider donating their good quality uniform to the school.
- Voluntary School Contributions - \$40 per student or \$80 a family.

Please complete and return the following **urgently:**

- Publicity/Media Permission note.
- Updated Medical Health Care plans. Asthma and Anaphylaxis plans for 2020.
- Bushfire Emergency Contact Details 2020.

Leaders Induction Assembly

For our assembly, the back oval will be opened for parents/carers to park. It will be opened from 8.45am. Please drive through the back carpark and follow directions.

Please remember to be mindful of our business neighbours and don't park in their car parks as this can impact on their businesses.

Welcome to Week 4!

Zone Swimming Representatives

Congratulations to Keleigh and Charlee Davidson on representing Fennell Bay PS at the Zone Swimming Carnival.

Charlee represented the school for the first time in the 8 yrs 50m freestyle. Well Done Charlee!

Keleigh placed 3rd in the 11 yrs backstroke, 2nd in the all age 100m Championship and 3rd in the 11 yrs 50m freestyle. Congratulations on an outstanding performance. Keleigh will now represent Westlakes at the Hunter Carnival.

Attendance

The Department of Education Home School Liaison Officer has identified late arrivals as an area for improvement for our school. As a result we have commenced an attendance lotto for Monday mornings to promote 'getting to school on time'. All students have an opportunity to be drawn out to be rewarded with a \$5.00 canteen voucher. To win students must be on time and at the Assembly. Names will be put back into the box so students have more than one opportunity to be drawn out.

We acknowledge getting to school on time can be a challenge for families. It is important to note the impact on learning and wellbeing is significant if late arrival is ongoing. If you would like support please contact the school.

Induction Assembly

The 2020 Induction Assembly will be held this week, Friday 21st February 9.15. Parents of the Captains, House Captains and Monitors have been invited to pin the badges on their child. All are welcome to join us for this proud moment. Position holders have the responsibility to always show the school CARS values and be Citizens, Achievers, Respectful and Safe.

Choir

This week students from years 3-6 will be invited to audition for the Fennell Bay Choir. The auditions are open to all students. Past choir members will also need to re-audition. Once selected the choir will begin rehearsals with Mrs Parker and Mr Hull.

The 2020 Festival of Choral Music will be held at the Sydney Town Hall on Wednesday 16th September.

Uniforms

We ask parents and carers to support us in ensuring students wear the correct uniform. Mrs Parker and myself have met with year 6 girls to review the uniform for Year 6 and are in the process of having some larger size skorts made. In response to student and parent feedback Yr 6 have the option of wearing black jumpers without large logos.

Please contact the office if you need help purchasing uniforms.

Student Behaviour

If you ever have concerns regarding behaviour please contact the class teacher or myself. Often children may not tell a teacher if something has happened, particularly on the playground. It is appreciated when parents and carers contact us via Dojo or phone calls so we can work with you to resolve any issues.

Thank you for your support in reminding students to play safe and have hands off, in addition to ensuring they know to tell a teacher if anything happens.

School Access - Gate Buzzer

Access to the school after arrival and departure times is via the middle pedestrian gate between Navy and Tangerine class. This gate is currently unlocked and has a slide bolt.

To make access easier for the community we are looking at a buzzer system with an intercom. This will also ensure students remain safe within our grounds.

Kind Regards

Lenise Hollis
Principal



NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...

Learn

Make friends

Build skills through fun

education.nsw.gov.au

NSW GOVERNMENT

Lime is having fun learning!

What a busy first couple of weeks we've had in Kindergarten!

Here is a snap shot of some of the things we have done...

Students in Lime class are learning to write their name correctly and spell sight words independently.



Despite the wet weather, Lime have been burning off lots of energy by engaging in active play with the scooter boards



With the help of Terri-Lee, we are learning to identify the people in our families using traditional Awabakal language.



CARS!

Welcome back everyone!

It's going to be a fantastic 2020 as together we demonstrate our C.A.R.S Expectations - that's being Citizens, Achievers, Respectful and Safe.

If you have any questions or ideas please chat with Miss Campbell.



Kiss and Ride Area



Please be aware that the school has a 'Kiss and Ride' area. This is located just past the entrance to the second carpark.

The 'Kiss and Ride' area provides parents/ caregivers a safe environment to drop off and collect students between the following times: 8-9.30am and 2-4pm. Parents and carers are able to legally drop off or pick up their children within a two minute timeframe.

This area is monitored by police and council and a fine will result if a vehicle remains in the area for a length of time.

SPinS is back at Fennell Bay Public School!

We are Sarah, Lucy, Abby, and Caitlin! We are from Newcastle University, here for the Speech Pathology in Schools program (SPinS) at Fennell Bay Public School.

The SPinS program provides:

- Accessible speech pathology services for school-aged children with communication difficulties
- Opportunities for clinical education placements for speech pathology students

We will be collaborating with the school team and our clinical educator, Traci, throughout term 1 and 2.

We are working with kindergarten students. Our service involves assessment, followed by supportive approaches for students which may include classroom based, group and individual therapy options.

We look forward to getting to know the school team and students! We will be at school every Thursday if you want to say hi or if you have any questions for us.



P&C News

P&C Meeting– Monday 9th March at 6pm in the staffroom.

Looking for a fun way to support our great school? Why not join P&C. The P&C here at Fennell Bay Public School is made up of a small group of caring parents and community members who meet once a month to support the students through fundraising and organising exciting events.

The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, 9th of March at 6pm in the staffroom at the Admin Building and all old and new members are welcome! I.

Have a wonderful week and thank you for supporting our great school!

P&C Committee

Canteen News

- The canteen would like to invite parents and caregivers to volunteer some of their spare time to assist on the canteen. This does not have to be a day a week, it may be for one hour a week or even two hours in a fortnight.
- Please be aware that neither the canteen or the office are ABLE to heat up food for students. This is a WH&S issue.
- Just a reminder that the Canteen is closed for second break. Afternoon Tea can still be ordered on these days but are collected from the office.
- If your child brings food along which requires a spoon, can you please make sure that it is in their bag as the canteen cannot supply plastic spoons.

All profits from the canteen go to supporting our students.

Jeanette Tait

Canteen Supervisor