



# Excelsior Newsletter

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Newsletter – Week 4 Term 4 (8th November 2018)

## EXCELSIOR P.S.

High Ideals

High Expectations

High Achievement



### Important Dates

#### **NOVEMBER**

Nov 12-13	Stage 2 DigiEd incursion
Nov 13	Year 2 Tennis tryouts
Nov 14	Leadership Speeches and voting
Nov 15	Kinder Transition session 3
Nov 15	K-2 Assembly
Nov 19-30	School Swimming Scheme
Nov 27	XT Night
Nov 27	P&C AGM
Nov 21-24	School Spectacular

#### **DECEMBER**

Dec 4	Thank You Morning Tea
Dec 6	Presentation Day
Dec 7	P&C Carols by Candlelight
Dec 13	K-2 Christmas Concert
Dec 14	Sports Assembly
Dec 17	Talent Fest
Dec 18	Year 6 Farewell
Dec 19	Fun Day
Dec 19	Last Day of School for Students

*Dear Excelsior Families and Friends,*

### Kinder Transition

This week we have had our second of three Kinder transition sessions for students entering Kindergarten in 2019.

Transition is a very important step in the journey towards school. It allows the children

and their families to become familiar with the school and school routines in preparation for 2019.

Thank you to the Kinder team for organising transition this year. Thank you also to the P&C for providing morning tea and welcoming new families so warmly into our school community.

### Centenary of Armistice

Remembrance Day is commemorated each year on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November at 11am with one minutes' silence.

This year, this date holds special significance as it marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armistice, which ended the First World War in 1918.

Excelsior Public School will mark this occasion on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November, after recess, with a short assembly and one minutes' silence. I hope whatever your family is doing on Sunday, they can stop at 11am on 11/11 to mark this occasion together.



*Remembrance Day  
Lest We Forget*

## **New Build**

As I am sure you would have noticed work on our new build is now underway. Fencing has been erected around the construction site and part of our oval. The fencing around the construction site will remain in place for the duration of the build. This will mean that access via Elberta Ave is by the pedestrian pathway only. The pathway in front of OSH can no longer be accessed. Students and parents going to and from After School Care will need to do so from the rear of the building and between OSH and the sport shed.

There is temporary fencing on the oval. This will remain in place until the relocation of the play equipment.

As well as the work on our build, two new demountables are currently being placed on site. Fencing around this area will remain until this is completed.

It is expected at work on site may occur over weekends and in the school holidays. We encourage students, for their own safety, to not be on school grounds outside of school hours.

## **Diwali**

To our families who celebrated Diwali, may the light of the diyas guide you on the way to happiness and success. Happy Diwali!



## **Selective High School Application**

Online applications for Year 7 entry into Selective High Schools in 2020 opened on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October and will close at 10pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November. A reminder at all applications must be made online and that late applications will not be considered.

More information can be found at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

## **XT Presentation for Parents**

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 6-7pm there will be a showcase of student work from the students who participated in the XT digital storytelling session. Parents of students involved will receive a personal invitation.

## **Leaving 2019**

If your child will not be returning to Excelsior PS in 2019 (except for those moving onto High School) could you please inform the school in writing ASAP. We are currently well underway planning for 2019. In order for us to correctly form classes, employ and allocate staff appropriately, we need to have a clear indication of student numbers.

*Kind Regards,*

**Mrs Sandra McKay**  
Rel Principal

### **PSSA – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Cricket vs Oakhill Drive PS at Fred Caterson  
Softball/TBall vs Castle Hill PS at Ted Horwood  
Touch Football vs Matthew Pearce PS at Ted Horwood  
Basketball vs Jasper Road PS at Fred Caterson

### **PSSA –Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Cricket vs Samuel Gilbert PS at Wrights Road Reserve  
Softball/TBall vs Oakhill Drive PS at Ted Horwood  
Touch Football vs Northmead PS at Ted Horwood  
Basketball vs Sherwood Ridge PS at Fred Caterson

## GREAT NEWS AT EXCELSIOR

### Improving The Spirit of Excelsior SRC Award – Week 3

Marcos G – 3E Nevaeh H – 5/6B

## GREAT NEWS AT EXCELSIOR – Week 3

Student of the Week		Merit Awards	Student of the Week		Merit Awards
3E	Nikki N	Sarah H James H Spencer R Prisha S	5J	Yasmin K	Bianca S Sahara T Zac E Isaac G
3B	Ali F	Alexander B Zac W Michelle W Zara W	5G	Jessica E	Kaitlyn B Hermes G Sarah K Chloe Z
3/4G	Lucas T	Faris K Michaela R David H	5/6B	Leo G	Benjamin R Joshua R Gilby B Sophie S
4W	Eva D	Isabelle D Chloe S Austin Z Erina U	6D	Isabella A	Ashlee W Lewis G Zoe S George P
4SL	Haysen Z	Giselle G Himasha F Mia H Isabel M Trinity W	6O	Jay B	Lachie C Dominic S Jessica S Shannon W Stef M

## GREAT NEWS AT EXCELSIOR – Week 4

Student of the Week		Student of the Week	
3E	Aiden F	5J	Daniel R
3B	Danijela G	5G	Rowan J
3/4G	Murphy G	5/6B	Benjamin R
4W	Sri B	6D	Lewis G
4SL	Isabel M	6O	Annabelle S



**Excelsior  
Public School  
P&C Association**

### P&C EVENTS – Carols by Candlelight



The Events Committee is very excited to bring you Excelsior Public School's Carols by Candlelight.

This event has been organised in collaboration with the school and our fabulous teachers that are hard at work preparing the children to sing for you.

Friday 7th December from 6:00pm for a sausage sizzle prior to the Carols starting at 7pm

We will be selling battery operated tea light candles, please do not bring along your own candles, as naked flames will not be allowed for safety reasons. Tea light candles will be \$2.50 each.

In addition, we will have the Christmas Tree Raffle, a note will be going home next week with raffle tickets. There will be many prizes

and many winners on the night. Make sure you sell your tickets and return the stubs with your money in an envelope. Raffle tickets and money are to be put in the P&C box located in the school office. Please ensure the ticket stubs have your name and contact number on them in case you are the lucky family. Posters will be up and around the school closer to the event so you can see some of the amazing prizes we have. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. The money raised from this event will go towards resources that benefit our children.

If you require additional raffle tickets to sell, please email [excelsiorevents@pandc.excelsiorpublicschool.com](mailto:excelsiorevents@pandc.excelsiorpublicschool.com) and we will organise that for you.

Please bring along a blanket to sit on (no chairs) and some nibbles if you wish. There will be a sausage sizzle and drinks on sale.

If you can volunteer for just a half an hour on the BBQ or selling candles it would be greatly appreciated. Please email [excelsiorevents@pandc.excelsiorpublicschool.com](mailto:excelsiorevents@pandc.excelsiorpublicschool.com)

## BOOKCLUB

BOOKCLUB ISSUE 7 - Please order online by Monday 12th November!

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ONLY: [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

Any questions please email [vcwake@gmail.com](mailto:vcwake@gmail.com)

## UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday afternoon from 2:45pm – 3:15pm

## CANTEEN

### Canteen Roster

<u>Mon 12/11</u> Cassie 1-2	<u>Tues 13/11</u> Lynette 1-2
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<u>Wed 14/11</u> Nala 9-2	<u>Thurs 15/11</u> Akane 11-2
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Fri 16/11  
Nadine 9-2  
Becky 11-2

<u>Mon 19/11</u> Teresa 1-2	<u>Tues 20/11</u> Lisa 1- 2
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<u>Wed 21/11</u> Yun 9-2	<u>Thurs 22/11</u> Sarah 1-2
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Fri 23/11  
Lidija 9-2  
Mandi 11-2

### Canteen News

The canteen committee will be meeting on Tuesday Nov 13th for our AGM. We are currently looking to fill 2 positions and would like to hear from anyone interested in taking up the role of Secretary or Convenor. These are voluntary roles and will only take up a few hours of your time outside of school hours.

For details of these positions please contact either Jacqui on [jbcanteen22@gmail.com](mailto:jbcanteen22@gmail.com) or Kirrily on [kizbiz@gmail.com](mailto:kizbiz@gmail.com) we will be happy to discuss this with you

The Canteen Committee



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- Visual Representation of Advance Ideas
- Block implementation using java script

**Location** – 12B- 9 Seven Hills Road Baulkham hills

**Every Saturday** – 10<sup>th</sup> Nov- 22<sup>nd</sup> December

**Time** – 1pm-2pm -Advance Programming & Coding/cost \$22 per class

2pm-3pm- Mobile App Development/cost \$25 per class

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## Learn Music on the Keyboard at school

**Enrol to start Term 4 or  
Register Interest for 2019**



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## MINI LEAGUE Introduction to Rugby League

RUGBY LEAGUE WITH  
THE HILLS BULLS  
MINI-LEAGUE CLINIC

Thursday 22nd November  
Thursday 29nd November

Crestwood Reserve,  
Baulkham Hills

**FIRST 50 to Register**  
receive a Hills Bulls backpack, hat and shirt

Fully credentialed Coaching Staff  
**FREE** for 4 to 8 year old boys  
and girls who have not played the  
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International Day of  
People with Disability

## You are invited to Picnic in the Park

Join us in celebrating International Day of People with Disability 2018.

Date: **Wednesday, 5th December**

Time: **10am - 2pm**

Location: **Blacktown Showground,  
Entry via Richmond Road**

Free event with BBQ, entertainment and lots of activities including a silent disco, art in the park, and much, much more!

For information and to RSVP, contact DSA's Customer Connections team on 1300 372 121 or email [customerconnections@dsa.org.au](mailto:customerconnections@dsa.org.au)



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