



Excelsior Newsletter

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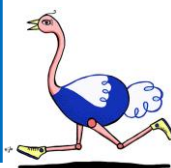
Newsletter – Week 10 Term 3 (26th September 2019)

EXCELSIOR P.S.

High Ideals

High Expectations

High Achievement



Important Dates

September

Sept 27 Last day of Term 3

October

Oct 14 First day of Term 4
Oct 22 Kinder Transition
Oct 24 K-2 Assembly
Oct 29 Group Photo Day
Oct 29 P&C Meeting
Oct 30 School Spec Rehearsal
Oct 31 3-6 Assembly

November

Nov 4 XT excursion
Nov 5 Kinder Transition
Nov 7 K-6 Assembly
Nov 11 School Spec Rehearsal
Nov 14 3-6 Assembly
Nov 12 Kinder Transition
Nov 18-29 Swim Scheme
Nov 20 School Spec Rehearsal
Nov 21-23 School Spec Performances
Nov 26 P&C AGM

December

Dec 5 Presentation Day
Dec 12 K-2 Christmas Concert
Dec 13 Sports Assembly
Dec 17 Year 6 Farewell
Dec 18 Fun Day
Dec 18 Last Day of School

From the Principal

Dear Families

I would like to wish you all a safe and happy school holiday period. The students at Excelsior have all worked incredibly hard over this term and should enjoy their well earned break.

Just a reminder that there is no staff development day at the beginning of term 4. **All students should return to school on Monday 14th October.**

Over the holiday period the builders will be taking advantage of the time with only vacation care on site. They plan to bring trucks into the Rondelay Drive carpark to begin work on the quadrangle that will be behind the new building. I ask, for their own safety, that no students come onto the school grounds during the holiday period unless they are attending YMCA vacation care.



Have Your Say on Before and After School Care

The NSW Government is conducting a review of Before and After School Care. As part of this is a suggestion to allow services in schools to apply for an indoor space waiver allowing more student places to be offered.

You can have your say at:

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc>



Applications for Entry into Selective High Schools 2021

Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates of their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, using specialised teaching methods and materials.

Parents of students in Year 5, wishing to make an application for Selective High School 2021 must apply online at:

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

Please read the instructions carefully. Applications are open from 8 October to 11 November 2019.

Summer Uniform

A reminder that term 4 marks the official changeover to summer uniform. All students should return to school in summer uniform.

Public Speaking Regional Finals

Congratulations to Thomas, Nathan, Elizabeth, Caitlyn, Minjone and Anushkaa who represented Excelsior Public School in the Regional Public Speaking finals. They all were amazing and we are very proud of their achievements.

Good luck to Anushkaa, Caitlyn, Elizabeth and Thomas who were selected to go on to the Grand Final of the Public Speaking Competition.





Premier's Award for Excellence in Student Achievement in Community Languages

Earlier this month one of our Year 5 students, James (5/6L), was the recipient of the prestigious Minister's Award for Excellence in Student Achievement in Community Languages, receiving a commendation in the Junior category. James was awarded this as a result of his dedication and commitment to the study of Chinese. There are currently 62 languages being taught in NSW by the NSW Community Language Schools with over 37,000 students studying a language. To have been chosen as one of only 140 students to receive an award, is an outstanding achievement. I had the pleasure of attending the awards ceremony at the University of New South Wales with James and his family. The Excelsior community is very proud of you James.



Designing and Making

The school has been a buzz of activity this week with many classes finishing off construction projects.

Kindergarten students were very proud of their working wells.



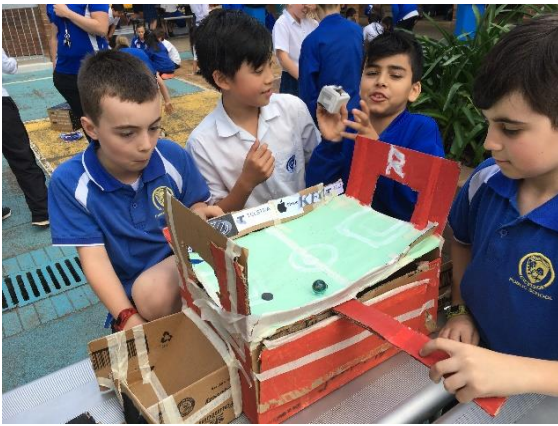
Kind Regards,

Mrs Sandra McKay
Principal

From the Deputy Principal

It has been a quieter week at Excelsior with Year 5 on camp; however, classes have been busy as students and their teachers have worked towards completing the programmed work for Term 3.

One such program I had the pleasure of viewing was the Stage 2 Science & Technology unit of work. Students applied their knowledge of magnets, acquired through a series of investigations, to create games using magnets. In collaborative groups, children used the design process to plan, create, evaluate and modify their games, culminating in some functional and highly innovative constructions.





Teachers put in many hours outside of school planning and programming engaging units of work. We have been working hard as a staff to adapt our units or rewrite new ones to better suit the innovative learning spaces and the co-teaching environment. It is a delight to see the engagement and motivation in both the students and teachers.

Early feedback from Year 5 Camp includes the wonderful experiences had by all students in team building exercises surrounded by the bushland and water of Narrabeen Lakes. As expected, clear and obvious signs of exhaustion can be seen in the bleary eyes of the teachers who attended camp. Thank you Ms Chevalier, Mrs Bowry, Mrs Jones and Mrs

Gatt for giving up time with your families this week to spend on camp.



Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday break.

Kind regards,

Relieving Deputy Principal
Mrs Sarah Semler

PSSA – Friday 27th September 2019

Cricket vs Samuel Gilbert PS at Bella Vista Oval
Softball/TBall vs Sherwood Ridge PS at Fred Caterson

Touch Football vs Winston Hills PS at Ted Horwood

Basketball vs Glenhaven PS at Fred Caterson

PSSA –Friday 18th October 2019

Cricket vs Kellyville PS at Bella Vista Oval
Softball/TBall vs Samuel Gilbert PS at Fred Caterson

Touch Football vs North Rocks PS at Ted Horwood

Basketball vs Jasper Road PS at Fred Caterson

GREAT NEWS AT EXCELSIOR

K-2 Merit Certificates Week 9

KK	Jack S	1B	Ravali G	1/2R	Ayush B
	Dabi K		Vibha V		Doyu P
	Ryan D		Xavier E		Luna L
	Madeline G		Rohan R		Hannah G
KN	Jocelyn Z	1C	Dineli F	2M	Rishi S
	Arina D		Violet S		Matthew Y
	Maeve R		Matisse M		Sarah Y
	Yana C		Felix L		Chelsea F
KA	Jack N	1D	Siyona A	2S	Lucas H
	Deven A		Xander B		Minato K
	Bilal S		Joel K		U Na K
	Aaron K		Jagger M		Chloe Z
KW	Jonathan G	1H	Gregory X	2SB	Daniel H
	Evan G		Leo K		Maya W
	Eddy L		Doreen H		Lucas W
	James D		Li L		Deyaan G

Improving The Spirit of Excelsior SRC Award – Week 9

Mia H – 1/2R Matthew Y – 2M

GREAT NEWS AT EXCELSIOR – Week 9

Student of the Week

3B	Kaylee E
3G	Hassan O
3R	Ahana K
4E	Sophia L
4L	Ella M

Student of the Week

4/5B	Trinity W
5J	Cooper T
5/6L	Zyon W
6B	Sophie S
6D	Chris K

GREAT NEWS AT EXCELSIOR – Week 10

Merit Awards

3B	Satvik E
	Candice L
	Areen D
	Jensen Z
3G	Kylan S
	Azlan U
	Jessica R
	Thomas P
3R	Clara K
	Vineyard Z
	Joshua C
	Thomas M
4E	Gary Z
	Juliette M
	Millie R
	Charlie C
4L	Michelle W
	Arshan J
	Danijela G
	Rachel L

Merit Awards

4/5B	Harry Q
	Callum L
	Michaela R
	Lexie F
5J	Joel F
	Jared W
	Haysen Z
	Claire L
5/6L	Keeley B
	Faris K
	Chloe B
	Caitlyn J
6B	Will H
	Charlotte Y
	Sophie S
	Elizabeth M
6D	Aroob Z
	Alex Z
	Bach L
	Ethan V



**Excelsior
Public School
P&C Association**

Dear Parents,

This past Tuesday we had the last P&C meeting for the term. It was held in the meeting room in the new Admin Building. Thank you very much to Mrs McKay for the tour of the new building! It looks great and is a much better working environment for the school staff (and I think we have found a new home for our P&C meetings...)

Our Annual General Meeting is at the end of November, so not really too far away once school holidays are done. We continuously need new people joining the committees as some current members are leaving the school over the next year or two. It is better to have someone there to show you what to do before they have left the school.

Currently we need someone to help with Art co-ordination for the ERA, with school banking, the uniform shop and casual canteen volunteers. Could parents please have a think over the holidays how they can help their children and the P&C. Most P&C volunteers work full-time so many of these roles can fit in with other work obligations.

Committee positions need to be filled if you want the P&C to continue to provide all the services we currently do (canteen, uniform shop, tennis, art, dance, band, special events, school banking, student health and well being).

If you have any questions about the vacant roles and helping your P&C, please email the Executive committee on excelsiorpandc@gmail.com.

We hope you all have a safe holiday!

Sharon Evert
President

P&C - EVENTS

A huge thank you to everyone who attended this years NEON disco. It was a huge success and we were able to raise \$2,261 for the school. We could not have events like these without volunteers. A BIG thank you to all parents who helped decorate the hall, check names off and serve food for the children.



UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Opening Hours:

Tuesday 15th October 2.30pm - 3.15pm

Nerida, Kathryn, Lidija

Tuesday 22nd October 2.30pm - 3.15pm

Nerida, Kathryn, Lidija

If anyone would like to volunteer to help with kindy orientation fittings coming up, the dates are Tuesday 5th and 12th November from 10-11am and Saturday 9th and 16th November from 8.30-9.30am. Please contact us at excelsioruniform@gmail.com if you would like to help.

Any uniform repairs needing done? Bring them to the uniform shop for a small cost. (Includes zipper repair)

Regards,

Excelsior Uniform Shop

(this is a voluntary P&C service provided to parents and students)



EXCELSIOR PUBLIC SCHOOL

Enrol now for Kindergarten 2020!

Our 3 Kindergarten transition sessions will be held on:

Tuesday 22nd October

Tuesday 5th November

Tuesday 12th November

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High Ideals

OPENING
A new venue at
Bella Vista in September
Win 1 of 3 vouchers valued at \$254 to use in 2019
and summer of 2020 on any of our programs. Conditions apply

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Gymnastics Day camp
30th Sept - 4th Oct and 8th - 11th Oct

✓ **Gymnastics Day Camp**
Kindy to Year 6
Half Day 8.45am-12.30pm \$40,
Full Day 8.45am-3.30pm \$58,
Long Day 8.30am-5pm \$75

✓ **Tumbling Clinics 9-15yrs**
Classes 12 - 2pm \$35

✓ **Recreational Gymnastic 5-15yrs**
Classes 4 - 5pm and 5 - 6pm \$22
(suits beginner or intermediate experience)

Packages and Sibling Discounts available, see website

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- ✓ Wear the colours of your Big Bash heroes.
- ✓ Parents warm up, you can join in too!



JUNIOR BLASTERS
AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS | 6+ WEEKS

Learn new skills, including catching, throwing and teamwork, through fun game based activities.

Sign up now for your Starter Pack. Returning Junior Blasters score a Returner Pack with backpack and choice of bonus item!



STARTER KIT



RETURNER KIT



MASTER BLASTERS
AGES 7-10 | 90 MINS | 6+ WEEKS

Everyone gets a chance to bat, bowl and field in short, modified games of cricket. For kids with basic cricket skills.

Sign up now for your Master Blasters Pack!



Your Local Woolworths Blast Centres

For more information & registration visit www.playcricket.com.au click on 'Where can I play?' and enter 'Your Postcode';

Castle Hill RSL CC Fred Caterson Reserve Starts Friday 18 th Oct Contact: Michael Hungerford 0408 287 929	Rouse Hill Rams CC Russell Reserve Starts Friday 18 th Oct Contact: Keith Baker 0408 662 156	Baulkham Hills CC Charles McLaughlin Reserve Starts Friday 19 th Sep Contact: Chris Springall 0425 809 691	Hills Barbarians CC Eric Mobbs Reserve Starts Friday 11 th Oct Contact: Steve Wickman 0421 336 781	Kenthurst Upper Hills CC Kenthurst Park Starts 18 th Oct Contact: Brendon Lowndes 0419 400 501
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All clubs run Junior Blasters for beginner cricketers aged roughly 5-10!

Castle Hill RSL CC, Hills Barbarians CC & Kenthurst CC will also be running Master Blasters for ages 7-12

First session is **FREE** to Come & Try! ActiveKids Voucher can be used for all programs!

Claim your ActiveKids voucher through MyServiceNSW, head to www.playcricket.com.au and enter your voucher code.




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TERM

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SOCCER FUN FOR GIRLS & BOYS AGED 2 TO 12!

TERM 4 2019 PROGRAM

STARTING October 2019.



MITE
(2-3 YEARS OLD)

A great introduction to Soccer! Children work with their parents to learn new soccer skills and develop their motor skills! Lots of fun games in a non-competitive environment.

35 minute classes
\$125 for 8 weeks



PINT SIZE
(4-5 YEARS OLD)

Children take their first kicks in soccer! They'll be introduced to shooting, dribbling, goal keeping and more! Children get to play lots of fun, skill based games. Grasshoppers get introduced to the Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!

50 minute classes
\$145 for 8 weeks



INTRO TO MICRO
(5-6 YEARS OLD)

The ultimate challenge for young soccer players! They'll learn the rules of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game and develop their skills in passing, dribbling, shooting and more!

60 minute classes
\$155 for 8 weeks



MICRO / MICRO +
(6-8 / 8-12 YEARS OLD)

This program focuses on skill development and team work in preparation for club soccer. Children will enjoy all the favourite soccer based games, fine tune their skills as well as play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!

75 minute classes
\$165 for 8 weeks

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