



Excelsior Public School Newsletter

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Newsletter – Week 6 Term 2 (27th May 2021)

Important Dates

Term 2	
Date	Event
27.5.21- 3.6.21	National Reconciliation Week
31.5.21	Stage 3 Cyber-safety talk with Senior Constable Ethan West
4.6.21- 21.6.21	Life Education
10.6.21	K-6 Athletics Carnival
22.6.21	Reports go home
23.6.21	Band Day
24.6.21	Band Concert
25.6.21	Last Day of Term 2
12.7.21	Staff Development Day
13.7.21	All students return for Term 3
14.7.21	Premier's Spelling Challenge
26.7.21- 30.7.21	Education Week
26.7.21	1970s Mufti Day and Disco
27.7.21	50 th Birthday activities for students
28.7.21	Big Birthday Breakfast
29.7.21	Aboriginal Education Incursion
30.7.21	Aboriginal Education Incursion
3.8.21	NSW State Futsal
3.8.21	Stage 1 Excursion to Taronga Park Zoo

From the Principal

Dear Parents

Thank you to the parents who attended this week's P&C meeting. P&C meetings are a great way to be involved and informed about school life at Excelsior Public School. We are always happy to see new faces and our meetings are relaxed and friendly.

At P&C meetings we do follow meeting procedures and hear reports from all aspects of P&C including canteen, ERA, band, uniform shop as well as a principal's report, president's report and a treasurers report. One of the great things about being involved in P&C is making decisions about how funds raised will be spent to improve our school. Last week the P&C voted to help support the SRC, who plan to raise funds for a mural for the back of the school hall.



We also plan to organise some information sessions at future P&C meetings. Some ideas for sessions were:

- Maths - how it is taught and how parents can help their children at home
- Reading - helping children learn to read
- Cyber Safety
- High School presentations

Over the coming weeks we will be organising these presentations. If you have ideas about what you would like presented please email me at:

Sandra.pracy@det.nsw.edu.au

Last week we were given the good news that both our upper and lower quads are to be resurfaced. We are currently working out the logistics of this, which will happen in a school holiday period.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Sandra McKay
Principal

Important Information

Covering Books

Thank you very much to all the parents who offered to cover books. Your help was greatly appreciated.

Mrs Deborah Gatt

(Learning and Support Teacher)

K-6 Athletics Carnival

This year we will be holding a K-6 Athletics Carnival. This will be held on Thursday 10th June at Alfred Whaling Reserve.

Recent Events

NAPLAN

Last week we finished the NAPLAN online testing period for students in Year 3 and 5. Usually the turn around to receive the results from the pen and paper version of this assessment is a few months. The online version gives teachers and parents the opportunity to receive the results in a much quicker timeframe, making the results more relevant.

More information about NAPLAN can be found at:

<https://www.nap.edu.au/home>

National Reconciliation Week 2021 – 27th May – 3rd June



2021 marks twenty years of Reconciliation Australia and almost three decades of Australia's formal reconciliation process.

Reconciliation Australia's theme for 2021, 'More than a word. Reconciliation takes action', urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action.

Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians – as individuals, families, communities, organisations

and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

At Excelsior Public School we're currently working on initiatives that support reconciliation and will share more about our actions as they happen. During National Reconciliation week, students will participate in classroom activities that support the reconciliation process.

The artwork used in the 2021 National Reconciliation poster is called 'Action' by Jessica Johnson. It is the story of the land and community sharing the united call for action on reconciliation.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island peoples have been listening to the heartbeat of the land and sea for generations. With their rainbow shaped souls, the spirits ask for us to join and make reconciliation more than a word, take action. We need to love one another and every aspect of the existing environment and community – we all have a role to play.

Gardening Club

Our school gardening club have been busy weeding and planning areas for improvement. We have a few areas that require some basic landscaping and work requiring adult attention. If you have a green thumb or basic landscaping skills and would be available to help out, please contact Mrs Sinclair – Catherine.sinclar4@det.nsw.edu.au

Awards

K -2 Merit Awards

KB	William M Mila T Christian W Dylan S
KM	Marvin F Charlotte P Caris J Theo S
KN	Mason S Liam R Harriet G Emily C
KW	Shane Z Stella C Evelyn E Melody M
1B	Arihaan G Abby R Charles Z Mia P
1E	Jayden Z Andrew F Toby W Ellory T
1G	Terrence Z Milena M Karen M Violet G
1L	Annabel H Pavel S Liam M Jayden H
2A	Minoneti M Michael Z Nicholas B Deven A
2B	Yaseen N Archis D Shanaya S Omar S
2L	Lexi W April S Isaac C Gabriel C
2R	Tian X Dante T Pablo M Jaden Y

3-6 Merit Awards

3D	Samuel A Bela B Saira S Ryan W
3E	Michael Q Terrance X Hannah G Lachlan E
3S	Doreen H Anas B Kiannah G Jake N
3/4J	Leoven H Aaryan M Pranesh K Lauren G
4B	Connie Z Oliver X Lucas W Helena C
4H	Aarav K Ben T Kaitlyn Y Una K
4L	Noah G Youssef E Leon P Louis H
5D	Jamie T Nicholas X Molly H Amy K
5G	Bella W Azlan U Sidney B Maya C
5/6A	Ella M Kylan S Williams Z Oliver K
5/6E	Iris H Ellie H Sienna Z Keegan F
6S	Louis H Ethan S Isabella C Addison D
6W	Alexander B Zelene T Vanessa C Hasnaa M

Spirit of Excelsior Awards

Xavier X – 1E Maya C – 5G

Silver Awards

Ben N 3D	Taya A 3S	Carmel Z 3D
Vik G 3E	Riyaan T 3E	Natalie C 4B
Emily M 5G	Bella W 5G	Mila M 5G
Arshan J 5/6A	Allira B 6W	Zach B 6W
Angela T 5/6A	Alan R 2A	Xavier X 1E
Jeremy Y 1B	Milena M 1G	

Gold Award

Angela T 5/6A

Sport

Girls Knock-Out Touch Football

Yesterday the Excelsior Girls Knockout Touch Football team played Sherwood Ridge Public School in Round 1. Excelsior started with a blistering pace, with Millicent, Danijela, Ella and Ishanvi all scoring outstanding tries before half time. A huge shout out goes to Maddison and Lola, our youngest ever players in Knockout Touch who stepped up against a much older team and proved how talented they were. The game ended with Excelsior winning 26-1. The girls are eagerly awaiting their next match against the winner out of Northmead and Kings Langley Public School for Round 2, which will once again be a home game. The girls enjoyed having the Excelsior community cheering them on and are looking forward to the home support once again!

Mr Gomez



Semi-Finals State Knock-Out Tennis

Today Excelsior played Kings Langley in the Semi Final of the NSW Knockout Tennis Competition for 2021. After a long morning of tennis, Excelsior finished the matches winning the day 8-0 in sets, now qualifying us for the State Finals at the Homebush Tennis Centre. A huge congratulations to Danijela, Zara, Marcos and Marcus!

Thank you to Mark Blok who has been providing our students with some lunch time coaching sessions.

Mr Gomez



PSSA – Friday 28th May

Soccer vs Oakhill Drive PS at Eric Mobbs
Newcombe Ball vs Baulkham Hills North PS at Excelsior Public School
Netball at Kellyville Netball Complex

PSSA – Friday 4th June

Soccer vs Beaumont Hills PS at Eric Mobbs
Newcombe Ball vs Kellyville PS at Excelsior Public School
Netball at Kellyville Netball Complex

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AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR



Is this your daughter?

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

OPEN DAY – Saturday June 19
 New venue opening in the Willoughby area!

Also accepting Semester 2 enrolments for our rehearsal venues in Balgowlah, Beecroft, Haberfield, Kellyville, North Parramatta, North Ryde, St Ives and Waverley.



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