

# St Johns Park Public School Newsletter

Term 2, Week 8  
Monday, 18th June, 2018

Dear Parents,

## P&C Reminder

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am**. This change has been made due to a first aid course that is running in Weeks 7&8.

There are currently 2 places on the P&C Executive available – President and Vice President. Elections will be held for these positions at this meeting. I would encourage parents to consider nominating for these positions. We will have the elections only at this meeting as the Walkathon is also on this day. Our students and school rely on the fundraising efforts of our P&C, coordinating important events such as Mother's and Father's Day stalls, Easter raffles and Fun Day activities. Please support the students and the school by attending the P&C Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> June.

## Walkathon

Our Walkathon will also take place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June for students K-6 as well as Preschool Purple Group. This is a fundraiser for our school and we encourage students to gain sponsorship for this event. Parents and Carers are welcome to walk as well.

## In The Spotlight Dance Festival

Our Senior Dance Group plus two students in the 'Shining Stars Ensemble' will be performing at the Seymour Centre on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June. These groups had to go through an audition process to be selected for the festival and then attend numerous rehearsals in preparation for their performance. I will be attending the evening performance and look forward to seeing our students perform.

## Community Languages

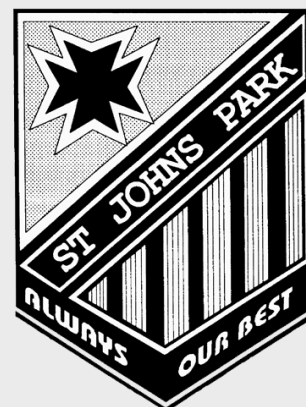
Our school is very fortunate to have the Community Languages Program (CLP) in our two highest language background groups – Vietnamese and Chinese. We are also lucky to have such expert and experienced teachers teaching these lessons to our students. The CLP is aimed at assisting learners to develop their existing linguistic skills as well as for those with little exposure to the language.

Learning a language other than English has many benefits and can contribute to students' learning and development in many ways. The learning of a language other than English is not unlike the mastery of skills in other Key Learning Areas; it requires a significant amount of time and commitment. Once the child begins the CLP they should remain committed to learning the language over their time in primary school. Requests for change of the language class will not be permitted mid-year or without personal discussion of circumstance with either myself or Miss Presot.

## Quote for Week 8:

*"Great works are performed not by strength but by perseverance."*

**Samuel Johnson**



## Up to date?

Does the school have the correct information for

- Your home, work or mobile phone number?
- Your address?
- Emergency contacts?

If any of these details have recently changed please inform the school.

This information can be vital in emergency situations.

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Find our school website using your smartphone or tablet.

## Debating Update

### Parks Area Debating Competition

**Date:** Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.

**Topic:** Primary school aged children should not be allowed mobile phones.

**Teams:** King Park Public School (affirmative) vs St Johns Park Public School (negative).

**Winning Team:** King Park Public School.

### Fairfield District Debating Competition

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, our team versed Harrington Street Public School in the Fairfield District Debating Competition.

The topic was: Parents should limit the amount of time children spend on technology outside school hours. We were the Affirmative Team.

It was an exciting debate and we won!

Congratulations to Melanie, Christine, Dylan and team advisor Brenda. Also, a special shout-out to Dylan who was awarded the 3 points by the adjudicator as the best speaker in the debate!

*Miss T. Khare, Miss S. Bejain and Mr B. Luxa*  
**Debating Coaches**

## Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June, four students represented St Johns Park PS in The Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. The Local Final was held at Bonnyrigg Public School.

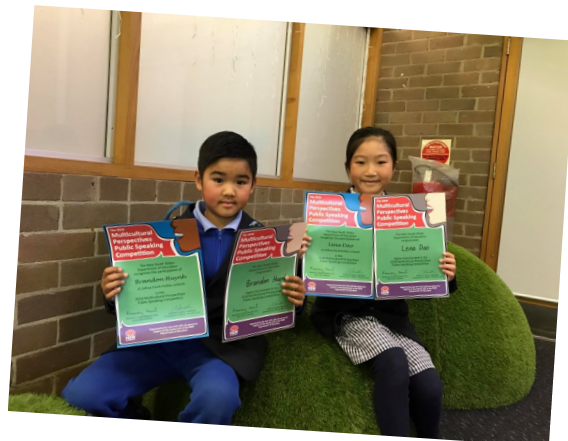
Students presented their prepared speech on one of the multicultural topics, as well as participating in the impromptu speech section of the competition.

Well done to the Stage 2 and Stage 3 students who participated.

Stage 2 representatives - Brandon Huynh and Lena Dao

Stage 3 representatives - Thomas Ho and Jonathan Tran

An excellent achievement by Brandon Huynh and Lena Dao. In their division, both students achieved Highly Commended Awards for their Prepared and Impromptu Speeches.



## Stomp Out The Gap

I would like to thank everyone who supported our 'Stomp Out the Gap Day'.

A large number of students, teachers and a few parents dressed in indigenous colours, while classes made posters to promote the day. The students also spent time enhancing their understanding of indigenous culture.

Altogether we raised \$859 for the Cathy Freeman Foundation. This money will help to provide educational opportunities for indigenous students.

**Yvonne Ennis**

**Stomp Out The Gap Day Co-Ordinator**

## Safe People, Safe Places

- Make sure your parents or another adult you know is aware of where you are at all times. Always walk straight home or to the required destination. Walk near busier roads and streets, or use paths where there are a lot of other people.
- Know where safe places are – a shop, service station, police station, library or school. If you are frightened, you should go to one of these places and ask them to call the police.
- Learn about safe adults you can look for and talk to if you need help – police officers, teachers at school, adults you know and trust.
- Don't talk to people you don't know and never get into a car with someone you don't know. If a car stops on the side of the road and you don't know the person inside, do not stop.
- If you are scared and can use a phone, call Triple Zero (000) and tell them you are scared.
- If someone tries to grab you, yell out, 'Go away, I don't know you!' This lets other people know you have been approached by someone you don't know.

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**TERM 3 PROGRAMS - 2018**

EAGLE VALE	MON 5-7PM
LIVERPOOL	MON 4-6PM
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FAIRFIELD	FRI 4-6PM
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## PSSA Results

### Round 6

#### St Johns Park PS vs Harrington St PS

##### Netball

Year 3	WIN	7 - 2
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##### Football (Soccer)

Year 5/6 Boys	LOSS	0 - 1
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#### St Johns Park PS vs Smithfield PS

##### Netball

Year 4	WIN	11 - 2
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Year 6	WIN	22 - 1
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#### St Johns Park PS vs Prairievale PS

##### Football (Soccer)

Year 3-6 Girls	LOSS	0 - 1
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##### AFL

Year 5/6 Boys	WIN	41 - 6
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#### St Johns Park PS vs William Stimson PS

##### Basketball

Junior Mixed	WIN	8 - 6
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Year 5/6 Boys	WIN	60 - 6
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Year 5/6 Girls	WIN	42 - 16
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## UPDATED Year 6 Fundraising Onesie Day !!!

**Wednesday  
July 4<sup>th</sup> 2018  
(Updated)**

Keep yourself warm and  
wear your favourite onesie.  
Bring a **GOLD** coin donation



## Reminders

### Preschool Applications for 2019

Preschool applications for 2019 close on  
Friday, 31st August, 2018.

### Now Enrolling for Kindergarten 2019

Enrolment Forms are available from the  
School Office.

### Walkathon

**Date** - Wednesday, 27th June, 2018 9.30-11.30am

**Return of Sponsor Card** (no money is to be returned before the event) - Tuesday, 26th June, 2018

**Raised Money Returned** - Friday, 6th July, 2018

**Walkathon Assembly** - Monday, 30th July, 2018

# Peer Support

## Focus: Moving Forward – Resilience

### Week 7

We introduce a three step model this week to encourage resilient responses; Pause, Plan, Proceed. The children take part in an activity to identify their feelings and the immediate effects on their bodies ie butterflies in their stomachs. The normalcy of feelings is acknowledged and the importance of being proactive is stressed. The children learn that pausing when they are emotional is helpful. They can do this by being still, taking a deep breath or counting to ten. Pausing gives children space to see a situation more accurately before planning a response.

Ask your child to describe the three steps of the model and what is involved in each one.

### Week 8

This week the focus is on step 2 of the model, Plan. In Peer Support, children learn the need to develop a range of coping strategies and be creative in drawing on these when planning responses. Responses include persevering, seeing the positive side to situations and engaging in activities, they enjoy as a distraction for a short time.

Encourage your child to talk with you about strategies they could use as difficulties arise.

## Positive Behaviour 4 Learning Update

This week Playground Support will be commencing, with the aim to minimise problems and issues within our playground. All leaders will be looking out for students who are showing positive behaviour and following our PB4L rules at all times.

### Week 8

**Area:** Out of School

**Expectation:** Be Respectful      **Focus:** Respect community members.

You are doing the right thing when you hear:

*"I can see you are being respectful to our community members. Great work!"*



### Week 9

**Area:** Basket Ball Court

**Expectation:** Be An Active Learner      **Focus:** Play games by the rules.

You are doing the right thing when you hear:

*"I can see you are playing by the rules, well done for being an active learner!"*

# Translations

## Principal's Message - 校长的话

### P&C Reminder - 家长及公民会议

由于第七及第八周举办急救课程，下一次的家长会须改期于六月二十七日星期三早上九点半举行。目前家长会有主席及副主席两职位悬空，有待下次会议进行选举。家长会为学校及同学们筹办各项重要筹款活动，父、母亲节礼物摊位、复活节抽奖及游戏日等均有赖家长会的支助。本人在此鼓励各位家长考虑提名或参选，于本月二十七日参加会议。

### Walkathon - 马拉松步行

全校及学前班紫色组马拉松步行将于六月二十七日星期三举行。我们鼓励同学们接受赞助，为此筹款作出贡献。欢迎家长及照顾者参加。

### In The Spotlight Dance Festival - 舞蹈节

本校高年级舞蹈队及两位参加“闪烁星星”的同学，经过面试及一连串的练习后，将于六月二十日星期三在Seymour中心表演。正热切期待届时欣赏同学们的表演。

### Community Languages - 社区语言

本校幸运地开设有中文及越文两种语言课程，并由经验丰富的语言老师执教。课程的目的是帮助同学们发展已有的语言技巧，也为只能有限接触这两种语言的同学们提供学习机会。学习英语以外的语言，裨益良多，但需要长时间投入。同学们一经选择修读中文或越文，应持之以恒，直至完成小学为止。学年中转换语文班的要求，将不获批准。任何转变，必须先跟本人或Presot老师讨论。

### Quote for Week 8: 第八周名人语录

“完成伟大的事业不在于体力，而在于坚忍不拔的毅力。”

萨缪尔-约翰逊

## Principal's Message – Lời nhắn nhủ của Hiệu Trưởng

### P&C Reminder – Lời nhắn của Hội Phụ Huynh

Hội Phụ Huynh sẽ có buổi họp vào lúc 9.30 sáng ngày Thứ Tư 27 Tháng Sáu. Có sự thay đổi này vì các khoá về cấp cứu y tế diễn ra trong tuần 7&8.

Hai vị trí Trưởng ban và phó ban chấp hành của Hội Phụ Huynh hiện đang trống. Buổi họp kế tiếp là lúc chúng ta bầu cử hai vị trí này. Chúng tôi tha thiết khẩn cầu quý vị đề nghị hoặc ra ứng cử hai vị trí này để tham gia hợp tác cùng nhà trường trong các sinh hoạt học tập ngoại khoá như Chạy bộ gây quỹ hay những ngày Hiến Máu hoặc Ngày của Phụ Thân hay Lễ Phục Sinh và Ngày Vui của Học Sinh. Kính mong quý vị ủng hộ và tham dự buổi họp này thật đầy đủ.

### Walkathon – Đi Bộ Gây Quỹ

Buổi đi bộ gây quỹ cũng sẽ diễn ra vào ngày Thứ Tư 27 Tháng Sáu cho tất cả các học sinh toàn trường kể cả lớp vỡ lòng. Đây là buổi gây quỹ của trường và chúng tôi khuyến khích các em học sinh sẽ kiếm được nhà bảo trợ cho chính mình. Tất cả các phụ huynh và giám hộ có thể tham gia đi bộ cùng các em.

### In The Spotlight Dance Festival – Đại Hội Ca Múa Nhạc

Nhóm múa thiếu niên của trường và hai học sinh trong nhóm ‘Shining Stars Ensemble’ sẽ trình diễn tại Nhà Hát Seymour vào Thứ Tư 20 Tháng Sáu. Các em đã trải qua cuộc thi tổng duyệt và thực tập nhiều lần để chuẩn bị cho kỳ đại hội này. Chúng tôi sẽ tham dự đêm trình diễn và mong mỗi để xem tiết mục của các em học sinh trường chúng ta.

### Community Languages – Ngôn Ngữ Cộng Đồng

Trường chúng ta đã may mắn có chương trình dạy ngôn ngữ cộng đồng cho hai nhóm sắc dân chính – Người Việt và Người Hoa. Ban giáo chức cho bộ môn này là những giáo viên có bằng cấp chuyên môn và kinh nghiệm trong ngành giáo dục về ngôn ngữ. Chương trình dạy trong bộ môn ngôn ngữ là để phát triển các khả năng, kỹ năng về ngôn ngữ mà các em theo học hoặc tiến triển cao hơn trong Tiếng Nói của nguồn cội mình.

Học một ngôn ngữ khác với Tiếng Anh chính mạch sẽ có nhiều lợi ích và góp phần khả quan vào con đường học vấn của các em. Học ngôn ngữ ngoài Tiếng Anh không phải như các môn học khác ở trường mà cần thời gian và những khía cạnh sinh hoạt trong đời sống xung quanh giúp phát triển thêm. Tất cả mọi yêu cầu thay đổi lớp học giữa năm học sẽ không được cho phép và cần có sự bàn thảo với Hiệu Trưởng hoặc cô Hiệu Phó Presot.

### Quote for Week 8: Câu nói hay trong tuần

“Việc làm có hiệu quả cao không phải tạo nên bằng sức mạnh mà bởi lòng kiên trì” **Samuel Johnson**

# Important Dates

## Term 2, 2018

### Week 8 - Class Spelling Competitions

**Tuesday, 19th June, 2018**

- SRE Classes
- School Banking
- Anglicare Playgroup 10.00am School Hall
- Peer Support

**Wednesday, 20th June, 2018**

- First Aid Course for Parents - Part B
- Year 6 Camp
- In The Spotlight Dance Festival - Rehearsal and Performance

**Thursday, 21st June, 2018**

- Year 6 Camp
- Stage 2 Assembly

**Friday, 22nd June, 2018**

- Year 6 Camp
- Adult English Classes 9.30am
- PSSA - Winter Competition Round 7
- Early Stage 1 Assembly - 12.10pm
- Stage 1 Assembly - 12.50pm

### Week 9 - Grade Spelling Competitions

**Monday, 25th June, 2018**

- Gymnastics - Year 4 and Year 6
- Walkathon - Preschool Pink Group

**Tuesday, 26th June, 2018**

- SRE Classes
- School Banking
- Anglicare Playgroup 10.00am School Hall
- Peer Support
- Return of Walkathon Sponsor Card

**Wednesday, 27th June, 2018**

- Walkathon - Whole School and Preschool Purple Group

- P&C Meeting - 9.30am School Hall
- Thursday, 28th June, 2018**
- Stage 3 Assembly
- Friday, 29th June, 2018**
- Adult English Classes 9.30am
  - PSSA - Winter Competition Round 8

### Week 10 - Grade Spelling Competitions

**Monday, 2nd July, 2018**

- Gymnastics - Year 4 and Year 6

**Tuesday, 3rd July, 2018**

- SRE Classes
- School Banking
- Anglicare Playgroup 10.00am School Hall
- Peer Support

**Wednesday, 4th July, 2018**

- Student Reports Distributed

**Thursday, 5th July, 2018**

- Stage 2 Assembly

**Friday, 6th July, 2018**

- Adult English Classes 9.30am
- Early Stage 1 Assembly - 12.10pm
- Stage 1 Assembly - 12.50pm
- Final date to return Walkathon money.

## Term 3

### Week 1

**Monday, 23rd July, 2018**

- School Development Day

**Tuesday, 24th July, 2018**

- SRE Classes
- School Banking
- Anglicare Playgroup 10.00am School Hall

**Wednesday, 25th July, 2018**

- ZUMBA for Preschool and Years 1, 3, 5

**Thursday, 26th July, 2018**

- Stage 3 Assembly

**Friday, 27th July, 2018**

- Adult English Classes 9.30am
- PSSA - Winter Competition Round 9
- Lawn Bowls Competition

### Week 2

**Monday, 30th July, 2018**

- Gymnastics - Kindergarten and Year 2

**Tuesday, 3rd July, 2018**

- SRE Classes
- School Banking
- Anglicare Playgroup 10.00am School Hall

- ICAS English Competition

**Wednesday, 1st August, 2018**

- OC Placement Test

- ZUMBA for Preschool and Years 1, 3, 5

**Thursday, 2nd August, 2018**

- Musica Viva
- Stage 2 Assembly

**Friday, 3rd August, 2018**

- Adult English Classes 9.30am
- Early Stage 1 Assembly - 12.10pm
- Stage 1 Assembly - 12.50pm
- PSSA - Winter Competition Round 10
- Lawn Bowls Competition

### Week 3

**Monday, 6th August, 2018**

- Gymnastics - Kindergarten and Year 2

**Tuesday, 7th August, 2018**

- SRE Classes
- School Banking
- Anglicare Playgroup 10.00am School Hall

**Wednesday, 8th August, 2018**

- ZUMBA for Preschool and Years 1, 3, 5
- P&C Meeting 9.30am

## INFORMATION DESK



### WHEN

EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING

### TIME

8:45 AM - 9:30 AM

### WHAT

TRANSLATE & EXPLAIN SCHOOL EVENTS, INITIATIVES, NOTES AND DAY TO DAY QUESTIONS.

## Attention Parents

### Coffee and Chat

Join us for a tea or a coffee and a biscuit...



When: Every Wednesday

Where: School Hall

Time: 9:15 - 10am

Coffee, Tea, biscuits and cake will be available.

Come along to find out more about upcoming school events, activities, meet and chat with other parents.

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# *Mother's Day Afternoon Tea - Preschool*

