

St Johns Park Public School Newsletter

Term 1, Week 8
Monday, 18th March, 2019

Dear Parents,

Bullying. No Way!

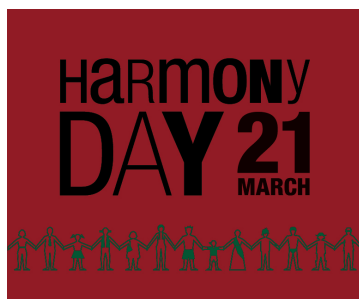
Our school is a part of the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. Last Friday was the official day, however, classes did lessons and had discussions about Bullying last Thursday. We are proud to say we have zero tolerance of bullying at St Johns Park every day, not just on the national day.



Notes – Reminder to Return

Thank you to the many parents and carers who have returned the medical notes, permission to publish and ICT user agreements. If you have not already returned them, please do so as soon as possible. If you have misplaced the notes, spares are available at the office.

Harmony Day



Harmony Day is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, and the successful integration of migrants into our community. Australia is one of the most successful multicultural countries in the world and we should celebrate this and work to maintain it. Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

We are celebrating Harmony Day on Thursday 21 March and students are encouraged to wear the colour orange or their national costume. Students will take part in various activities and a display of our countries of origin will be in the tunnel between the canteen and Playground C.



Uniforms

Uniforms can be
purchased from the
School Office
8.30am - 2.30pm
Monday to Friday.

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Find our school website using your
smartphone or tablet.

Principal's Message...Continued

Quote for Week 8:

"It's important to stand up to all forms of bullying, and it's even more important for those who are around you to be just as courageous and stand with you!"

Normani Kordei

D. Donatiello
Principal

PSSA Results

PSSA - Round 4

Cricket		
Junior Boys	BYE	
Senior Boys	BYE	
Touch Football		
Senior Boys	BYE	
Senior Girls	BYE	
St Johns Park PS vs King Park PS		
Newcombeball		
Junior Girls	WIN	2 set to 0
Senior Girls	WIN	2 sets to 1
St Johns Park PS vs Bossley Park PS		
T-Ball		
Junior Girls	WIN	13 - 12
Junior Boys	WIN	15 - 8
Softball		
Senior Boys	WIN	4 - 2
Senior Girls	LOSS	5 - 14

PSSA - Round 5

St Johns Park PS vs Prairievale PS		
Newcombeball		
Junior Girls	WIN	2 sets to 0
Senior Girls	WIN	2 sets to 1
Cricket		
Junior Boys	WIN	102 - 81
Senior Boys	LOSS	51 - 100
T-Ball		
Junior Girls	DRAW	12 - 12
Junior Boys	WIN	14 - 7
Touch Football		
Senior Boys	WIN	2 - 0
Senior Girls	WIN	6 - 2
St Johns Park PS vs Governor Philip King PS		
Softball		
Senior Boys	LOSS	1 - 7
Senior Girls	LOSS	2 - 6

P&C Update



2019 P&C Easter Hat Parade Raffle

Each raffle ticket is \$1. [Please Support our School & Students.](#)

GET your RAFFLE Tickets to us by **Tuesday 9th April**,
place them in **P&C Raffle Box** provided in the School Office.

More Raffle Tickets are available in the School Office.

Hampers will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on **Friday 12th April**.

You've got to be in it to win it!

Please place your donations in the **P&C EASTER DONATIONS BOX** provided in the School Office.
Any help and donations you can provide, no matter how small is welcomed and appreciated.

Positive Behaviour 4 Learning Update

Week 8

Area: All Areas

Expectation: Be Respectful

Focus: Be Polite

You are doing the right thing when you hear:

'Thank you for being polite when speaking to other.'

Thank you for using your manners when speaking to your teachers and peers.'

Week 9

Area: All Areas

Expectation: Be Respectful

Focus: Wear your school uniform, including your school hat.

You are doing the right thing when you hear:

'Thank you for wearing your hat correctly.'

'I can see that you are wearing the correct uniform, well done!'



Kindness Klub Update

Upcoming Kindness Focuses:

Week 8 – Help another student with their work.

Week 9 – Carry something for a teacher.

Kindness Quote:

"Together we can change the world, just one random act of kindness at a time" – Unknown

The following students have been recognised by their teachers for their kindness:



Isabella Lieu KH



Mikkah Nuon 1/2T



Johnny Pham 4N



Katheryn Heng 5S

Choose Kind!



Tell Them From Me Survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used *Tell Them From Me* to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 11 March and 12 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students in Years 3-6. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **Friday, 22nd, March, 2019**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

The consent form and FAQs are available in 23 languages.

Mrs A. Harris
Assistant Principal

Year 6 Fundraising Event

Disco Fever Hits

St Johns Park!



Dear Students,

Are you ready to bring your best dance moves? On Tuesday, 19th March, we will be holding our very own disco for the K-6 students!

All you need to attend this lunch time disco is a gold coin donation and your most colourful dancing clothes!

K-2 will be dancing the first half of lunch and 3-6 will dance the second half. Everyone will be welcome to dance at Recess!

It is also a Mufti Day - so we look forward to seeing you in your colourful dancing clothes.

Mrs Bosnjak

Mrs Donatiello



2019 National Young Leaders Day

On Monday, 11th March, our school leaders had the privilege of attending the National Young Leaders Day. 12 leaders from Years 5 and 6 had the opportunity to be inspired by four different speakers. We had to pull ourselves out of bed in the early morning and be at Fairfield Station at 7 o'clock sharp with our Opal Cards in hand. The leaders were jittery with excitement as we boarded the train. The duration of the trip to the city was approximately one hour. We proceeded to make the trip from Town Hall Station to the Sydney International Convention Centre (ICC) where we were greeted with a warm welcome from our host DJ Raf. By now, the leaders and myself could hardly contain our excitement for the show to commence.

The first speaker was the co-founder of Cotton-On, Tim Diamond and he explained to us Cotton-On's mission to help the less fortunate in Uganda. I found his message captivating and consequential. He showed us the true meaning of kindness and that one small action can have a big impact in the world.

After Tim Diamond's meaningful speech, the young leaders had a recess break. Afterwards, the hosts announced that we would be playing a game called, 'Project or Reject' and the objective of the game was to identify the word given and decide whether it was a Cotton-On project or something else not relevant. I unexpectedly was the last one in our school standing but unfortunately got out. The game was enjoyable and the leaders would agree with me. After the game all the leaders had the opportunity to meet other leaders I met two students from Bathurst and Tamworth.

The second speaker of the day was Tamsin Janu she is the author of the 'Figgy' series and 'Blossom.' She delivered a very powerful message that we should always be grateful for what we have in this world for there will always be someone out there that's worse off. Ms Janu came to realise this message when she took a trip to Ghana, Africa and experienced it with her own eyes she reflected on how lucky she is to live in a country like Australia. She showed us photos of her trip and images of the locals. I agreed with her message and everyone should apply that to their everyday lives.

The third speaker of the day was Cate Campbell, a four time Olympic swimming champion in the 50 and 100 metres freestyle. She explained to us that to get what you want, you must strive to achieve it and the only way to get there is by making friends with those who have the same interests as you. I found this lesson particularly interesting, especially when she revealed that she once was not a passionate swimmer. I am passionate about this sport and I would love to hear more about how she pushes herself out of her comfort zone and achieves such incredible results.

After Cate Campbell's speech, we had a lunch break. We spent half of our lunch trying to obtain Cate Campbell's autograph and to ask the question: "What inspired you to become a passionate swimmer?" but unfortunately we were unsuccessful in our mission. I do believe that we will have a chance to meet her again in the future.

After the break, we came in to see the screen emblazoned with the words, **"Embrace the scary but exciting"** and Holly Ferling was already at the podium. She is an Australian Big Bash league cricket player and she told us that there will always be setbacks in everything you do, and you should not despair over it. You should embrace it as it is an opportunity to learn. I found her speech meaningful and captivating as it showed us that although we may not be able to do one thing we thoroughly enjoy, we can always try new things.

After her speech, we played the world's biggest game of foosball using beach balls. The aim of the game was to get the beach balls to your designated goal to score a point. It was boys versus girls and I found this unfair, reason being boys were outnumbered and that boys had to score uphill and the girls downhill. Either way the boys lost. The grand finale of the day was the song **'Baby Shark,'** oh what absolute torture to the ears!

Finally, the leaders and teachers left the building. We walked back to Town Hall station with an hour long train trip back to Fairfield. One by one, our parents picked us up and the day was over.

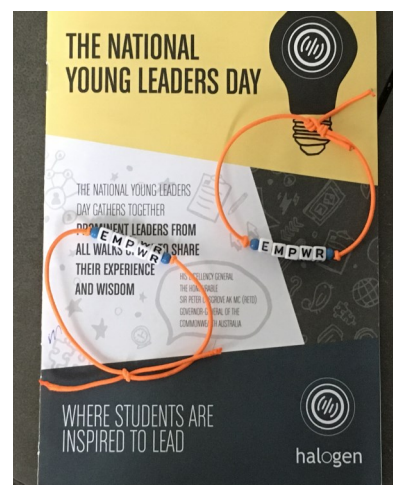
Seizing this opportunity, I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Cummings and Mrs Gonzales for accompanying us for the day and a special mention to Mrs Cummings for purchasing a special 'Empower' bracelet from Cotton-On for all the leaders. The money collected from the bracelets goes to their charity which supports less fortunate children and teachers in Uganda and other countries. When given a choice, always choose kind.

2019 National Young Leaders Day

To conclude, the day was a major success and I'm sure the leaders and teachers thoroughly enjoyed it as well. We hope we will meet these amazing speakers again one day and perhaps we will return to a leadership conference just like this one. If I had to express my thoughts of the National Young Leaders Day with a quote it would be: ***'One of the most important actions a leader can do, is to lead by example. If you want everyone to be passionate, committed, dedicated, and motivated, you go first!'***

Marshall Goldsmith.

Dylan Huynh 5/6C



St Johns Park Public School Playgroup

St Johns Park Public School

Playgroup is Returning
Tuesday, 19th March, 2019

Every Tuesday morning in the school hall,
commencing at 10am and finishing at 12noon.

If you have a preschool aged child under 5 years,
please join us – **it's free.**



Important Dates

Term 1

Week 8

Tuesday, 19th March, 2019

- Special Religious Education
- School Banking
- Playgroup 10.00 - 12noon
- Year 6 Fundraising Event - Mufti Day and Disco
- Final date for submission of 2020 High School Application Forms

Wednesday, 20th March, 2019

- English Classes 9.30am

Thursday, 21st March, 2019

- Harmony Day
- Stage 2 Assembly 2.10pm

Friday, 22nd March, 2019

- PSSA Round 6
- Stage 1 Assembly 12.40pm

Week 9

Tuesday, 26th March, 2019

- Special Religious Education
- School Banking
- Playgroup 10.00 - 12noon

Wednesday, 27th March, 2019

- English Classes 9.30am

Thursday, 28th March, 2019

- Stage 3 Assembly 2.10pm

Friday, 29th March, 2019

- PSSA Round 7
- Early Stage 1 Assembly 12.40pm

Week 10

Tuesday, 2nd April, 2019

- Special Religious Education
- School Banking
- Playgroup 10.00 - 12noon
- Whole School Poetry Competition

Wednesday, 3rd April, 2019

- English Classes 9.30am

Thursday, 4th April, 2019

- Stage 2 Assembly 2.10pm

Friday, 5th April, 2019

- PSSA Round 8
- Stage 1 Assembly 12.40pm

Week 11

Tuesday, 9th April, 2019

- School Banking
- Playgroup 10.00 - 12noon

Wednesday, 10th April, 2019

- English Classes 9.30am

Thursday, 11th April, 2019

- ANZAC Ceremony 9.30am
- Stage 3 Assembly 2.10pm

Friday, 12th April, 2019

- Easter Parade (Preschool - Year 2)
- Early Stage 1 Assembly 12.40pm
- Last day of Term 1

Term 2

Week 1

Monday, 29th April, 2019

- School Development Day

Tuesday, 30th April, 2019

- Students resume school.

INFORMATION DESK

WHEN: EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING 8:45AM - 9:30AM

WHERE: Outside of school office (opposite to the Canteen)

WHAT: Translate & explain school events, initiatives, notes and day to day questions.



Khi nào: Mỗi sáng thứ tư hàng tuần

Thời gian: 8:30am-9:00am
Bên ngoài văn phòng trường học
(đối diện căng tin)

Hỗ trợ phụ huynh: Giải thích các sự kiện, đăng ký, ghi danh và các thông tin khác tại trường

منصة المعلومات

متى: صباح كل اربعاء من الساعة ٨:٤٥ صباحا وحتى ٩:٣٠ صباحا
اين: خارج استعلامات المدرسة (مقابل مقصف او حانوت المدرسة)
لغرض: الترجمة وشرح نشاطات المدرسة، المبادرات والملاحظات وكذلك الاسئلة المراد اجابتها يوم بيوم

Translations

Principal's Message – Lời nhắn nhủ của Hiệu Trưởng

Bullying. No Way! – Không Bắt Nạt Bạn!

Trường chúng ta là một tổ chức cùng tham gia Phong Trào Chống Bạo Hành và Bắt Nạt Bạn. Thứ Sáu vừa qua là ngày khởi đầu, tuy nhiên tất cả các lớp đã học hỏi chương trình này vào Thứ năm. Chúng ta có thể tự hào rằng không có bất cứ một trường hợp ức hiếp nào xảy ra mỗi ngày tại trường St Johns Park chứ không chỉ riêng ngày đặt biệt này.

Notes – Reminder to Return – Những Thông Tin của Nhà trường cần nộp lại

Cảm ơn tất cả các phụ huynh và các vị giám hộ đã nộp lại các đơn từ về y tế, và giấy cho phép học sinh sử dụng kỹ thuật tin học cũng như hình cá nhân để đăng trên các diễn đàn giáo dục. Nếu quý vị nào chưa nộp lại vui lòng nộp gấp. Nếu có lỡ mất các đơn từ này thì xin liên lạc với văn phòng để nhận lại đơn mới.

Harmony Day – Ngày Hoà Hợp Dân Tộc

Ngày Hoà Hợp Dân Tộc là ngày hoan nghênh chính sách đa văn hóa tại Nước Úc và sự thành công của những người di dân đã hoà nhập rất thành công với cộng đồng chính mạch. Nước Úc là một quốc gia thành công nhất trong chính sách đa văn hoá vì vậy chúng ta nên mừng và duy trì vấn đề này. Ngày Hoà Hợp Dân Tộc có ý nghĩa là tụ hợp tất cả mọi sắc tộc với nhau, tôn trọng lẫn nhau như một tổng thể Dân Úc đầy giá trị mà không phân biệt văn hóa, ngôn ngữ của họ.

Chúng ta sẽ đón mừng Ngày Hoà Hợp Dân Tộc vào Thứ Năm, 21 Tháng Ba và học sinh sẽ mặc màu cam đến trường hôm ấy. Tất cả học sinh sẽ tham gia các sinh hoạt ngoại khoá và triển lãm về cội nguồn của mình tại khu vực lợi đi từ Căn tin đến sân chơi C.

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

“Tự đứng lên bảo vệ chính mình từ sự bạo hành và ức hiếp là điều quan trọng trong cuộc sống, và nó quan trọng hơn nữa cho những ai đang sống quanh bạn cũng cần đảm bảo cùng đứng lên với bạn!”

Normani Kordei

Principal's Message - 校长的话

Bullying. No Way! – 对欺凌说不!

上周五是全国反欺凌及反暴力行动日，我们学校并参与其中。每个班级都在上周四的课堂里讨论反欺凌。我们很自豪的说St Johns Park小学对欺凌及暴力事件是“零容忍”。

Notes – Reminder to Return – 提醒

感谢家长及照顾者准时上交允许学校发布照片，医疗及ICT同意书。如果您还没有上交，请及时递交给学校。如果您丢失了以上同意书，请与校务处领取。

Harmony Day – 和谐日

澳大利亚是世界上多元文化国家之一，我们庆祝和谐日是为了宣扬促进澳大利亚多元文化。三月二十一日星期四是和谐日，所有学生可于当天穿着橙色衣服，以表示支持澳大利亚的多元、多样性和包容性。学生当天会参与不同活动，并且在小卖部及操场C区之间有展示。

Quote for Week 8: – 第八周名人语录

“大家一定要站起来去对抗欺凌，更重要的是那些在你身边的人也应该勇敢起来可以和你一起去对抗欺凌!”

Normani Kordei

ST JOHNS PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

PARENT EXCURSION: PERSIMMON PICKING TOUR



Book yourself in for a fantastic trip to a local farm and pick the best of Persimmons!

This tour includes a tractor ride between the rows of fruit trees and the shed. A detailed explanation of how to pick the best fruit possible will be given by the farm tour guide.

The fruit you pick on the day is priced per kilogram, and may vary in price through the season, depending on fair market price, and size/quality available. Please be aware that you **MUST PAY FOR ALL THE FRUIT** that you pick on the day. Once you have finished picking you will return to the shed on the tractor and pay for your produce. The farm also has other items for sale in the farm shed such as apple juice, fresh apples & usually pure honey, from a local bee-keeper.

WHEN: Wednesday, 10th April, 2019

WHERE: Cedar Creek Farm, 269 Mullhollands Road, Thirlmere, NSW 2752

TIME: Depart SJPPS at 8:45am (SHARP) and return by 2.45pm

COST: \$25 per person

Register your details and pay a deposit of \$10 on 20/03/19 at the Information Desk (opposite the canteen) from 8:45am. Full payment is to be paid by 27/03/19 to secure your spot.

REFUND POLICY

1. There will be no refund if notice is given after 27/03/19, as buses are booked and paid for in advance.
2. The excursion is subject to sufficient parent numbers. If the excursion is cancelled, you will be notified and will receive a full refund.

Kind Regards,

Vi Nguyen
Community Liaison Officer (CLO)

Dunia Mashko
Community Liaison Officer (CLO)