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Issue 16

What's On

Tues, 23 Oct	Invictus Games (Selected Students)		
Tues, 30 Oct	Key word signing course		
Mon, 5 Nov	Placement student reviews		
Tues, 6 Nov	Key word singing course		
Wed, 7 Nov	Epilepsy awareness day fundraiser		CARE
Thurs, 8 Nov	Official opening of the playground		LEARN
Wed, 14 Nov	Year 7 immunisation		BE SAFE
Tues, 27 Nov	Variety Christmas Party		
Fri, 30 Nov	Year 6 Graduation Lunch		
Thurs, 6 Dec	Celebration Assembly		
Fri, 7 Dec	Metropolitan Swimming Carnival		
Thurs, 13 Dec	Amazing Achiever and PBL Assembly		
Fri, 14 Dec	Christmas craft day + Alternative Christmas Party		
Wed, 19 Dec	Last day of term for students		

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to term 4

Now is the moment where we all share disbelief that we have only a 10-week term ahead of us to reach the end of the 2018 school year.

So much has been achieved, so much has to be done, and there is not much time left. Term 4 is always busy, exhausting and exciting as the year draws to a close. There will be many special events happening. Please take the time to read the newsletter and be informed of events that are taking place.

Sun Safety

As the weather begins to warm up and Summer approaches, it is important for all of us to be sun safe. We are encouraging all students to wear hats when out in the playground. Please ensure there is a named hat in your child's school bag. Please apply sunscreen to your child before school and send some to school if you would like your child to have sunscreen applied during the school day.

In extreme weather; excessive heat, rain and extreme cold, students will remain in the COLA or in the classrooms.

Official Opening of the New Playground

All parents and carers are invited to attend the Official Opening of our accessible playground at 9am on Thursday, 8th November. The day will begin with a Thank you Assembly, Official Opening of the Playground and a Morning Tea.

Positive Behaviour for Learning in the Playground

The following are some statements that we are using in our playground. They may be useful to use when you are at the park with your child/ren.

Wait your turn

We go down the slide and up the stairs

One person at a time on the slide and move away when you have finished

Share space and equipment

Hold on when climbing

We give our friends space

The sand stays in the sandpit

We wear our shoes

Absences

Please contact the school if your child is going to be absent for 3 days or more.

Leonie Donaldson

Principal



Last day for transport applications and variations for this school year is Friday, 9th November 2018.

Existing transport arrangements will rollover to 2019. Any variations to existing arrangements for the new year will need to be lodged by 23rd November 2018.

KEY WORD SIGN BASIC WORKSHOP

Come along and learn how to use Key Word Sign, natural gestures and other strategies to communicate with your child.



Key Word Sign is the combination of manual signs and natural gestures, used to support communication. It is designed for use with children and adults who have communication difficulties.

This workshop is being offered to families attending The Ponds School and can be tailored to meet your individual needs. It provides a fun and interactive signing experience for parents or carers of a child with communication

WORKSHOP DETAILS

When: Tuesday 30 October and Tuesday 6 November, 9:30am—12:30pm

Location: The Ponds School, 201 The Ponds Boulevard, The Ponds.

Cost: \$80 per person.

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Term 3 Zoomobile



Class 7

Already in Term 4, how quickly time flies! The end of the year is in sight, but wait, lots of learning and many other exciting things are still to happen in Class 7 before we say good-bye to 2018! We still have to learn about the countries Greece and Peru, how to measure things and practice our counting, listening and communicating skills.

We will have lots of fun during Hydrotherapy and learn how to be safe in and around the pool. Community excursions will continue as also cooking lessons where we will try out new foods we prepare in class.



We ended off Term 3 with a very exciting Science Week. We witnessed what happens when milk, food colouring and dishwashing liquid are used in an experiment during a combined class lesson. Firefighters and their fire brigade truck visited the school and the students had fun exploring the inside and outside of the truck. On Wednesday, we visited the whole school science experiment stations where we had hands on experiences with lots of different experiments. On Friday, the Zoomobile visited us and we could touch and hold different animals they brought to school.

We hope you will all have a good Term 4!

Class 16

Class 16 students have been busy participating in various community access programs like shopping, walking, travel training, zumba and camp. When out in the community, we are practising the skills we have talked about in class, such as staying with the group and maintaining safety while on a train and on roads.

Students also had the opportunity to participate in The Ponds School's first overnight camp at Teen Ranch. They participated in various fun activities like rock climbing, archery, bush skills and the giant swing. The school camp was a fantastic opportunity for children to develop new skills, friendships and interests.

