

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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Welcome to Term 4!

This year has been challenging for us on so many levels as a school, as a community and for our own family. It's hard to believe that we have reached Term 4. This is the term where we prepare to farewell our Year 6 students, we prepare to welcome our Kindergarten 2021

students and we have the opportunity to reflect on what a year it has been.

Families received a Data Book at the start of the term where we have attempted to share with you our progress across many areas within the school. Staff have also been calling some families and asking them to complete a three question survey that accompanied this book.



This information is extremely valuable for us and assists us to plan for the future. Thank you for taking the time to engage with us, providing us with suggestions for improvement and contributing to our vision for the future.

Mrs Selena Gandy Principal 27 October 2020

Year 6 Farewell – Change of Date and Venue

The Year 6 Farewell has moved date and location. In order to support our families with limited transport options we have made the decision to move the farewell closer, and it will now be held at The Liverpool Catholic Club. This has also meant we have had to change the date. The new date is Thursday 10 December. We know many families have had to miss so much at school this year so we are hoping the move to a closer location will allow our families to see their children arrive (from a COVID safe distance). At this point in time, COVID guidelines still mean parents will not be able to attend the evening in any capacity.

Frosty Fridays

Year 6 continue to sell ice blocks each Friday for \$1 under the COLA at lunch times to support their fundraising. This will occur until the end of this year.

Pick Up / Drop Off

In recent weeks we have had Parking Inspectors out the front of the school enforcing the road rules around the pick-up and drop off areas. Please remember you can not stop in a no stopping area, you must stop within the no parking area, remain with your vehicle and stay for no longer than 2 minutes. They do understand we have students with special needs and have asked us to reassure you not to rush but please obey the signs and only stop in the appropriate place.

No parking

You must not stop for more than two minutes in a No Parking area. You must remain in or within 3 metres of the vehicle.

No stopping/no standing

These signs mean that in the area in the direction of the arrow you must not stop your vehicle at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.





NOTICES

All students who are enrolled at Miller Public School in 2021 will receive a new school polo shirt and a new school hat. In order to have this uniform back from the supplier prior to the end of this year we are asking families to return a note for EVERY student by Friday 30 October - this Friday.

Behaviour

I continue to ask for your support as parents in reinforcing the message to your children around behaviour and the need for all students to keep their hands and feet to themselves. It is not okay to hit, punch, kick or in fact touch anybody else irrespective of how angry they may make you feel. There are many staff at school who are willing and able to talk to students throughout the day to support them with their emotional regulation and we ask you to remind your children of this and the importance of asking for help if they need it. In recent weeks students who have been suspended for aggressive behaviour have also been required to discuss their behaviour with our Police Youth Liaison Officer. Senior Constable Kennedy. As a school we are exploring every option to reinforce the seriousness of physically aggressive behaviour. It will not be tolerated within our school.

Canteen

As communicated on numerous occasions we will have no school canteen for the remainder of 2020. As a school we will be running a school funded canteen for 2021. The current financial climate and impact of COVID has meant that it was not a financially attractive option for prospective tenders.

Aboriginal Shirts

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Notes have gone home for parents who would like to purchase an Aboriginal shirt. This is the final time we will place an order in 2020. A reminder that these can only be worn to school on Wednesdays.

Year 6 shirts can be worn Mondays to Thursdays

We appreciate your support in adhering to the requested days. As a school we are mindful of maintaining uniform standards and the expectations around these. All students are required to wear the correct Miller Public School hat to school each day and will not be permitted to play on the oval without one.

Staff Development Day Friday 18 December

The last day for students to attend school this year is Wednesday 16 December. The staff will participate in professional learning at school on Thursday 17 December but the school will be officially closed on Friday 18 December. This includes the school office. Staff have completed extended professional learning on two evenings in Term 3 and early Term 4 to facilitate the required hours.

Upcoming Dates

