



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your diligence with drop-off and pick-up. All is working well. I do suggest that you remind your children about afternoon pick-up each morning as this is the only area we seem to have a few issues with.

I have a few enquiries regarding lost property. We are returning items that make it to the Lost Property area every few days. OOSH are able to display theirs at the gate as they have only one area to display. If your item is named it will be returned to your child's classroom. I have also requested that the other areas that lost property seems to gather make sure they are returning lost property to the correct area so it can be returned. We are at present working on being responsible for our belongings as part of our 'positive behaviour for learning.' Lost property is part of this and the children are encouraged to look for their own items as part of their personal responsibilities.

The Year 2 Swim Scheme modified program has also been cancelled for next term.

Can I please urge you to enrol for Kindergarten 2021 as soon as possible. The process is very easy. I ask that you call the School Office on **99839455** and the ladies in the Office are very happy to guide you through what you need to complete and send to us. Information is also available on the Department website.

Bookclub orders were sent home yesterday. It was lovely to see so many children receiving items from Scholastic. If you have not received your book there are still many on back order. Our teachers also benefit from additional items for their classrooms. Thank you to our wonderful co-ordinator, Merie Botes for all her work with this.

We continue to request that you keep your children home if they are unwell. If your child is displaying any cold or flu symptoms (even mild) they must get a COVID test and will not be permitted back to school unless we have sighted their results. These can be sent attached to an email with the child's name and class please.

There are additional changes to department programs and testing. Please read below.

### **Opportunity classes - Year 5 updates**

Owing to the most recent [NSW Health advice](#)<sup>External link</sup> received on 14 August, the Opportunity Class Placement Test has been rescheduled to **Wednesday 18 November 2020**.

Only students whose parents have received a confirmation email from the High Performing Students Team are eligible to sit the test on the new date of 18 November. The application portal will not be re-opened for new applications.

### **Selective High Schools - Year 7 updates**

#### **Entry to Year 7 in 2022**

We expect applications for placement in 2022 to open on 6 October 2020 and close on 9 November 2020. The test is expected to be held on 11 March 2021. Assessments for the school assessment scores will be based on achievement on the school curriculum in Year 5 after 25 May 2020.

The information on this website is being updated as details of the changes to the test and other aspects of the placement process are confirmed.

## Planning Ahead...

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September

- Last Day to pay for Fathers Day Stall  
- Kindy Information Evening **CANCELLED**  
- Father's Day Stall  
- Year 6 Farewell Meal Deal  
- End of Term 3

### **Celebrating SASS week in our Schools**

Every day in our Public Schools there are 35,000 School Administrative and Support Staff who help keep our schools running efficiently and provide comprehensive support to Principals, Teachers and Parents.

Our SASS play many roles supporting the efficient management of schools, including Administration, Health and Safety, Asset Management, Project Management and Finance.

They include School Administrative Managers and Officers, School Learning Support Officers, Aboriginal Education Officers, Business Managers, Assisted Travel Officers, Technical Support Officers, General Assistants and Farm Assistants.

SASS Recognition Week, which started yesterday, is an initiative of the Public Service Association – supported by the Department – to promote the work and role of SASS.

These staff are often the first point of contact for parents and play a vital role in Customer-Service. With an incredible year so far – bushfires, floods, COVID-19 – our staff have had to be increasingly flexible to adapt to changing scenarios and pandemic restrictions.

On behalf of the Department of Education and our school, thank you for your service and commitment.

Have a wonderful week

**Margaret Foott**  
Principal.

### **Chess Club**

In line with current Department directives, the chess tutor is unable to come onto school grounds to take chess lessons on Fridays. We have attempted to organise online lessons and games, but this is not achievable with current constraints. Unfortunately, this means that parents will need to contact the Sydney Academy of Chess directly to organise online chess lessons, out of school hours.

Sydney Academy of Chess  
Office - 9745 1170  
[www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](http://www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au)

### **Library News**

#### **The 2020 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge**

The PRC Challenge is drawing to a close. Participants must register their books online by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August.

Please note the following students have now successfully completed the PRC. Congratulations and well done!

Rosie Bayl	Christina Chen
CharlotteChue Hong	Giselle Munter
Ariyan Sanjeevan	Ian Shi
Charlie Simont	Spencer Stratford
Chase Cole	Mia Lam
Lars Volwerk	Emily Bounds
Lucia Ennis	Sienna Sprague
Elena Vaziry	

#### **Overdue Books**

Many thanks to those students who have returned their overdue library books. Please ensure all outstanding books are returned to the library as soon as possible. Lost books can be paid for at the school office.

**Amanda Kynaston and Shelley Warren**  
Teacher Librarians

### **Canteen News:**

Thanks to last week's helpers!

#### **Helpers for this week:**

#### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

Claudine Tucker & Nat Fagan

#### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

TBC

#### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

Suzanne Miller & Neroli Sunderland

#### **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020**

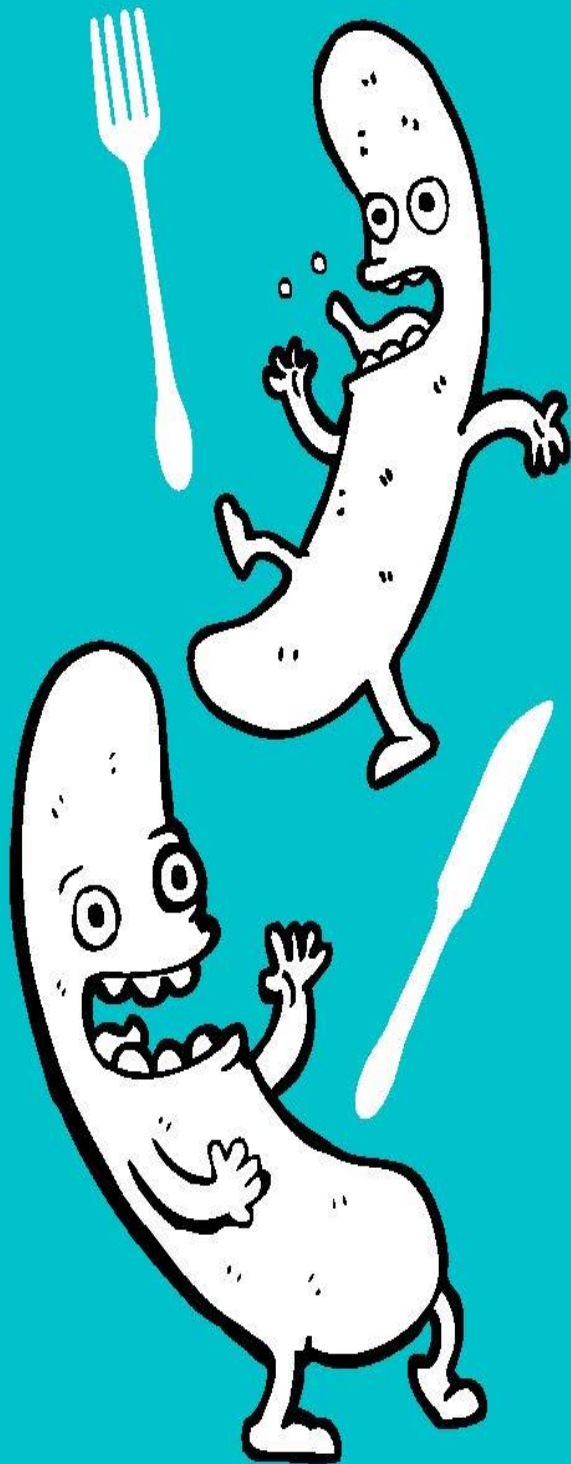
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Thank you from the TPS CANTEEN

**Laura and Haylee**

# Jeans for Genes Day 2020





TUESDAY 8TH  
SEPTEMBER

\$7 MEAL DEAL

TO SUPPORT THE

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

Sausage in a Roll -  
(Beef/Vegetarian/  
Gluten free)

Red Rock Deli Chips  
(Honey Soy/Sea Salt)

Popper

Paddle Pops \$2 extra

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED  
THROUGH FLEXISCHOOLS BY  
FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 12.30PM



After a year when so much has had to be cancelled we are pleased to say that the Father's Stall will go ahead. The stall is to be on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September and students will be able to select a gift for their Dad, Grandfather or other special man in their life

**Cost is \$7 per child – payment due by Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

**Preferred payment option is:**

Online payment via [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

*If this is unavailable to you, we will accept cash payments. Please complete the form below, place in a sealed envelope with the correct cash and return to the school via your oldest child who will give it to their class teacher. The envelope must have your child's full name and Father's Day stall clearly printed on it.*

Money is **NOT** required at the stall.

Children who have not paid **will not** be able to pay on the day



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**Father's Day Stall**

First child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ (\$7)

Second child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ (\$7)

Third child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ (\$7)

Fourth child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ (\$7)

I enclose \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*(Payment by cash or cheque. Make cheques payable to TPS P&C)*

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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