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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

17th December 2018

Motto: "Success through Endeavour"

Be Safe

Be a Learner

Be Responsible

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| 19 | Dec | 2018 | Last Day of Term 4 |
| 30 | Jan | 2019 | First day of Term 1, 2019 Years 1-6 |
| 4 | Feb | | First Day of Kindergarten |

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This will be our last newsletter for 2018. What a busy and exciting couple of weeks we have had. Upon reflection on the year's many achievements, I continue to be a very pleased relieving Principal of a hardworking school. Congratulations to all the students who received a certificate, medal or trophy. You should feel very proud of all your hard work and effort.

All the staff at Telopea Public School have worked extremely hard this year to ensure that they provided more interesting and challenging ways to help your children learn. They have successfully done this with differentiated learning in the classroom, organizing incursions and excursions with Life Education Australia or Healthy Harold as it's most commonly known, The Anzac Day Memorial Service at Hyde Park, The Big Dig through the Archaeology Education Centre, the end of year excursion to the Sydney Museum as well as other school experiences such as The Book Fair Parade and SRC fundraisers.

Telopea Public School students in Years 2-6 were part of the Active Parramatta Program. This is a free service operated by the City of Parramatta. The Active Parramatta Van aims to make Parramatta a more active, healthy and connected city by delivering community sports programs targeting early years' development, primary school aged children and youth and promoting healthy lifestyles, and lifelong learning. We are looking forward to the return of the coaches in 2019.

Students in 4/5/6 have also been working with Story Factory this semester. Story factory is a not-for-profit organisation that run FREE creative writing and storytelling programs. The volunteer tutors and writers specialise in making writing meaningful and fun and in addition give personal attention and one on one time to the students. In 2019 the program will be extended to include years 3 and 4.

Our edible garden and orchard continues to thrive with the support and commitment from students, parents, Seed Harvest Spoon and PAYCE. We would really like to thank PAYCE for their commitment over the past 3 years and pleased to announce we will be benefiting from their support for another 12 months.

2019 looks to be another exciting year with the teachers scheduled to plan for the year ahead. We are excited about our growing numbers and are in the process of getting our 4th classroom ready for next year. The anticipated classes are as follows; Kindergarten Koalas, 1/2 Bandicoots, 3/4 Wombats and 5/6 Emus. We thank Ms Mitchie, Ms Georgaros, Mrs Moutzouris, Mrs Andonenas and Mrs White for their support in 2018 and their return in 2019.

Sadly we will be saying goodbye to the beautiful Ms Dalia our SLSO who has worked and supported many students in small groups and in the classrooms. She has been successful at getting a permanent full time position at an SSP school nearby. Thank you for your dedication and support to the staff and students at Telopea Public School. You will be greatly missed.

Finally I would like to wish everybody a happy and safe holiday season.

In preparation for next year many parents have already enquired about what school supplies their children will be needing. Below are some items which teachers have listed as essential equipment needed for the classroom.

Student Equipment List, Term 1, 2019



The following items are required next year, term 1 for your child;

- 1 A4 96 page Homework Book
- 4 boxes of tissues
- 1 pencil case to fit all equipment
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 enclosed sharpener
- 4 lead pencils
- 2 erasers
- 1 set of coloured pencils or twist up crayons
- 1 set of coloured textas
- 1 library bag for borrowing (You can reuse the 'Books in Homes' bag)
- 1 plastic see-through envelope folder

Please clearly label all of your child's belongings (including clothing).
It makes it easier to return lost items.

An invoice will be forwarded to you at the start of term 1 for textbook payment.

Thank you,

Telopea Public School Teachers



Regards,

Jenny Vasilareas

Relieving Principal

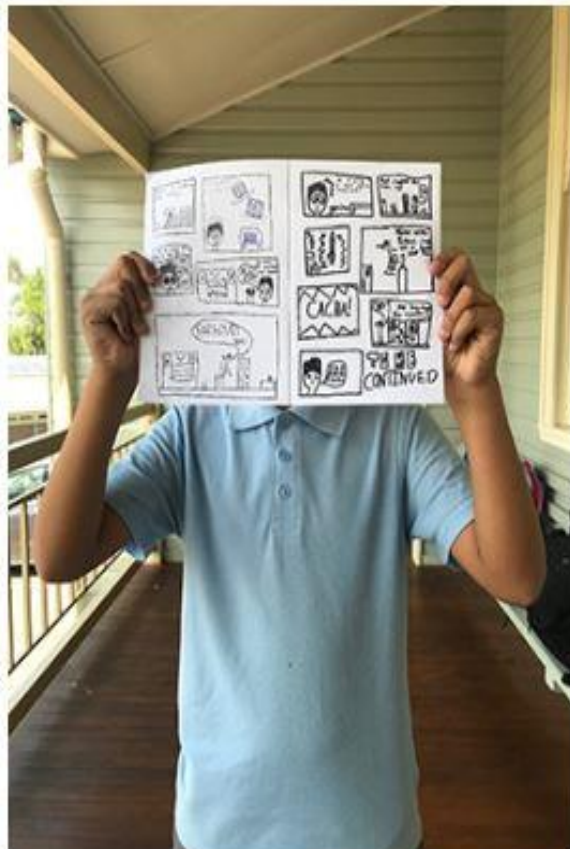
Creative Writing Workshop

Congratulations to Andre who was chosen as student of the month by the Story Factory for his creative storytelling and comic book.

A copy of his comic is now held in our library for all to read. Well done to Andre!

Students have thoroughly enjoyed the creative writing workshops, the Story Factory have compiled the students work into a booklet which again, will be held in our school library for all to enjoy.

We look forward to having the Story Factory run this program again in 2019.



STUDENT OF THE MONTH: ANDRE

We've been working with Andre at Telopea Public this term, and what a little legend he is. Not only has Andre proven to be a very talented storyteller this term, he was inspired to create his own comic book during his free time at home. We were so impressed we printed up a collection of copies for him. We're sure it won't be long until Andre is publishing Nobel-prize worthy literary graphic novels for the discerning reader. Andre - well done for all of your hard work this term, and for being such an inspiring leader in the world of writing for your fellow students!

Presentation Day

On Wednesday December 12th we held our School end of year presentation day. It is on this day that we recognise student achievements over the year and congratulate them on their efforts. A big congratulations to all our students! Thank you to our parents and dignitaries who attended and showed their support.



Australian Museum Excursion

Students attended the end of year excursion to the Australian Museum yesterday, where they were guided through the museum discovering times of dinosaurs, extinct animals, rocks and minerals and the natural world around us. After the tour, children enjoyed lunch in the iconic Hyde Park before returning to school for a special Zooper Dooper ice block treat! Thank you to Pip who supplied the ice blocks on before of the SaCC program.



Year 6 Farewell



I'm sure the children can attest they had a fabulous time at the Year 5 Farewell disco last Friday. They indulged in a delicious lunch prepared by the amazing Ms Dalia and danced the afternoon away to their favourite tunes.

At Telopea Public School, we educate the whole child of today to become the successful person of tomorrow. I wish all our Year 6 students success for their high school years.



Startsmart Workshop

On Monday December 3rd, students participated in the Startsmart Workshop run by the Commonwealth Bank. Students enjoyed interactive lessons on goal setting, the purpose of money, currency, tips on saving money and much more!



Experience Excellence at
Cumberland High School's

2019 OPEN EVENING

MONDAY 18 FEBRUARY
5:30PM – 8:00PM

Cumberland High School

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- Garden plants/shrubs/pots
- Glassware/china/ornaments
- Jewellery/watch repairs
- Books/CDs/DVDs
- Local produce
- New and pre-loved fashion
- Bric-a-brac/old wares
- Craft and collectables
- Toys and novelties
- Garage sale items
- Espresso coffee/ drinks
- Hot food stalls

Every Sunday – 7.00am to 1.00pm

Donation entry – All proceeds to registered charities

Free Parenting Program

Triple P- Seminar. (Positive Parenting Program)

The power of positive parenting!

A five week parenting course.

The program aims to support parents with behaviour management strategies for their children birth to twelve years; more than half of the seventeen strategies focus on developing positive relationships, attitudes, skills and conduct. Triple P teaches parents broader principles that may be applied positively in most parenting situations.

Triple P helps parents:

- Create a stable, supportive, harmonious family environment.
- Teach their children how to get along with others.
- To deal positively, consistently and decisively with challenging behaviours.
- Encourage appropriate behaviours.
- Develop realistic expectations of their children and themselves.
- Take care of themselves as parents.

Date: Commencing on 13th February 2019 for five consecutive Wednesday afternoons. (21st and 28th February then 7th, 14th and 21st March)
Certificates will be issued for FULL participation

Time: 12:45pm-2:30pm. Afternoon Tea will be provided.

Venue: Telopea 'Schools as Community Centres Project'. (SaCC)

Childcare: **FREE** childcare is available for participants for the duration of the program.

Bookings are essential for this **FREE course.**

Register: **Sharlene Pasqual** Parramatta Mission (Family and Community Worker)
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