



Schofields Sparkler

REMINDER
School Banking
Every Monday

- Dates to Remember**
- 23 Nov - Year 6 Bunnings BBQ (BUNNINGS MARSDEN PARK)
 - 26 Nov - Orientation Kindy 2020
 - 2 Dec - P&C Meeting
 - 5 Dec - Principal's Medallion Breakfast from 8:30am
 - 6 Dec - Stage 2 Excursion
 - 10 Dec - Presentation Day Assembly
 - 12 Dec - End of Year Evening Concert
 - 16 Dec - Year 6 Graduation (morning) & Farewell (evening)
 - 16 Dec - Stage 2 Reward Beach Day
 - 17 Dec - K-2 & Stage 3 Reward Day
 - 18 Dec - Last day Term 4
 - 29 Jan 2020 - First day back for Students in Year 1 - Year 6

Dear Parents/Caregivers,
Principal's Report

FUN RUN

Our Colour Fun Run was a huge success and has raised over \$26,000. This will provide four brand new interactive panels for our students. Thank you to the P&C for the donations of drinks and ice blocks which were certainly needed on the day. The P&C were also the driving force in getting this event going. Thanks to Belinda Malec for her work on this. Many parents assisted on the day and beforehand. We thank them all. Thank you to: Donna Ford, Nicole Burton, Jess Wanders, Fiona Watson, Paula Lin, Scott Boyd, Lee Lah Sim, Julianna Loo, Kim Verheyen, Belinda Malec and Elisa Ardill. I am sure there are others parents and friends who assisted and we thank them also.

I would like to thank our Fun Run team who did an amazing job coordinating and organising the event. Thank you to: Mrs Woodbury, Mrs Avery, Miss Regoli, Miss Portelli, Miss Khuu, Ms Costi, Ms Boulton and Mrs Ridden. Also thanks to Mr Storey who assisted with set up on the day and all the teachers, parents and students who stayed back to help us pack up.

A huge thank you to Mr Vella worked above and beyond to make the day a success.

Finally, congratulations to the students who participated so enthusiastically and did such a great job getting sponsors. Well done!

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We do not currently have a timeline for the delivery of prizes but we will let you know as soon as we do.



KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Our Kindergarten Orientation was held on Tuesday, 19 November. Our new cohort of Kindergarten students spent a morning at 'big school' with our fabulous Kindergarten teachers. While the children got their first taste of 'big school' their parents were provided with essential information to ensure a successful start to school. Thank you to everyone who presented information to the parents.

Thank you in particular to Mrs Mark who did an awesome job coordinating and organising the event with great support from her team, Mrs Rodgers-Falk, Mrs Vatalis, Mrs Ridden, Mrs Faccin and Mrs Turner. Thank you also to Mrs Hebbard and Mrs Wilson who assisted on the day.

STEAM EXPO (SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ARTS AND MATHEMATICS)

Since Term 2, 5/6N and 3/4L have been working with the schools in the Blacktown Learning Community, on a STEAM initiative for sustainable homes using the Mirco:bits technology.

On Thursday, 7 November at Seven Hills High School, we had the opportunity to showcase and celebrate the great work we have been doing at a STEAM Expo. This was a great opportunity for students to share their team's creations as well as interact with students from other schools and talk about what they have learnt.

A highlight of the afternoon, was the fun team challenge co-ordinated by Sammat Education, a key sponsor of the event.

Thank you to Mrs Hubble and Mrs Parker for coordinating our participation in this activity.



CHESS

The Schofields Chess Club participated with 8 other schools in the North-West Sydney Primary Schools One-Day Chess Teams Tournament. The NSW Junior Chess League coordinates the tournament, as part of a series held around the state. It was held on Thursday, 21 November at Bligh Park Public School. Out of the 40 teams competing, our 4 teams played extremely well in the 7 rounds. Team A managed to make equal 9th - Eli winning 5 of his 7 matches. There was great bonding and learning with the other schools and all boys walked away with some new strategies to work on. Well done boys!

Team A - Akshaj, Eli and Nygel

Team B - Narayan, Aryan and Rajbir

Team C - Mahesh, Abhilash and Nicholas

Team D - Victor, Aadi and Jarrah

Thanks to Mrs Hubble for organising this activity.



ROADWORKS

It is anticipated that roadworks will recommence on Junction Rd outside the school on Monday, 9 January. It is planned for the works to be completed before students return in 2020. The works will commence with drainage being installed on the roadside opposite the school. During this work the footpath will be **closed** and there will be **no parking** available on Junction Rd between St Albans Rd and Queensbury St.

Council will provide traffic controllers during these works as the footpath and crossing will be closed. Until the works commence, children and families needing to cross Junction Rd should do so at the crossing as this is the safest point to cross Junction Rd.

DEMOUNTABLE INSTALL

Fencing has been installed to allow for four additional demountable classrooms and an additional toilet block to be installed over the coming weeks. Work has commenced on the footings. This work will be completed in readiness for the school year in 2020.

REQUEST FOR ALL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE LOCAL TRADES PROVIDERS AND SUPPLIERS

The NSW Government has committed the largest investment in planned maintenance at public schools in the history of NSW. A record \$1.3 billion is being spent on an ambitious delivery program, focused on employing local businesses and contractors across the state.

To assist in addressing regional school maintenance issues and at the same time provide work for local trades persons and suppliers across the Greater Western Sydney region encompassing South Western and Western Sydney, over \$100 million is being invested to upgrade and maintain our school infrastructure.

Given this record spend by School Infrastructure NSW, you are invited to an Asset Management Unit industry breakfast briefing. This will provide information to existing and new contractors on how you can get involved.

To find out more by attending our Industry breakfast register at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/industry-engagement-information-session-tickets-81879669295> or contact your AMU on 8867 9201.

Colin Ross
Principal

From the Music Bus...

End of Year Concerts!

Term 4 is always our BIGGEST term of the year! In each state, we will be putting on a series of amazing end of year concerts, where your child will get to show off everything they have learnt this year!



Performance skills and concert preparation are the big focus for Term 4, which is a great experience for our students because performing is always the end goal for any musician and learning to do it well is a must!

Music Bus Parents, please check your emails to RSVP for the big event!

We can't wait for the Concert, because it is going to ROCK!
themusicbus.com.au/free-trial-lesson

Phone **1300 168 742**

Limited space available.

www.themusicbus.com.au

*Offer available until end of term. To new students only. 1 free trial per student.

**BOOK
YOUR CHILD'S
FREE TRIAL
LESSON
NOW!**

If your child is not returning to Schofields Public School in 2020 please call the school office on **9627 1534** to advise us.

Nan Tien's Community Day

Saturday 30 November 2019

NAN TIEN TEMPLE
COMMUNITY DAY

30 NOV, 2019 SAT. 9:30-3:30PM

Christmas Gift Exchange

Veg. Food

Lion Dance

Art and Craft

Family Blessing

Jumping Castle

Drumming Workshop

Meditation

**FREE
ALL WELCOME!**

Come and join us for a fun day of community reunion, happiness and peace!

* Online booking essential prior to the event

* Free lunch vouchers must be collected from the temple between 9.30am and 10.00am on the day.

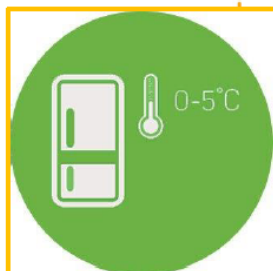
Nan Tien Temple
180 Berkeley Rd. Berkeley 4272 0600
www.nantien.org.au



The simplest way

... to keep food safe in summer.

Foods such as meat, fish, poultry and eggs; cooked pasta, noodles and rice; and dairy items such as milk, yoghurt, custard and cheese need to be kept very cold.



- Use a cooler bag and ice brick or frozen water bottle to keep food cold in the lunch box.
- Freeze items such as sandwich bread, milk poppers, and home-made muffins. They will be thawed and ready to eat at lunch time and keep other lunch box items cold.
- If preparing lunches the night before, store in the fridge or freezer.
- Don't store food in an insulated bag in the fridge, it stops the cold air reaching the food.
- For food that has just been cooked, cool it in the fridge overnight before packing.

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The simplest way

... to make healthy party food.

Celebration season is upon us – but party food doesn't have to be unhealthy. Fruit and veg are bright and colourful and make the perfect ingredient for special party foods. Try these fun ideas:

- Watermelon fruit salad bowl
- Pita bread Christmas trees
- Frozen yoghurt pops
- Watermelon cookie cutter shapes
- Banana and strawberry candy cane

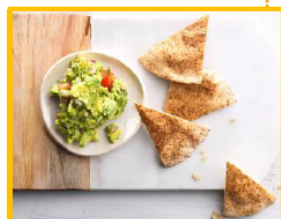


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The simplest way

... to pack a picnic.

Summer is a great time to enjoy picnics with friends and family. We find it easiest to pack some different kinds of breads and crackers such as baguettes, wholemeal rolls, Lebanese bread, rice cakes and corn thins in the picnic basket and then a range of fillings in an esky for everyone to create their own lunch. Try these delicious fillings:



- [Hummus](#)
- [Kale and basil pesto](#)
- [Guacamole](#)
- Different types of cheese (cheddar, labneh, cream cheese)
- Sliced veg (e.g. tomato, capsicum, beetroot, lettuce)
- BBQ chicken

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The simplest way

... to pack a Christmas lunch box.

This bright and colourful Christmas themed lunch box is delicious and ticks off all 5 food groups. It includes:



- [Chicken and couscous salad](#)
- A yoghurt tub
- Diced watermelon
- Cucumber and cherry tomatoes
- [No bake cookies](#)
- Water

For more recipes, ideas and lunch box inspiration visit healthylunchbox.com.au

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SCHOFIELDS PUBLIC SCHOOL - Term 4 2019

Term Four	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
1	14 October Staff and Students return	15 October	16 October	17 October	18 October	19 20 Oct
2	21 October	22 October	23 October	24 October	25 October PSSA	26 27 Oct
3	28 October SWIM SCHEME	29 October SWIM SCHEME	30 October SWIM SCHEME	31 October SWIM SCHEME	1 November PSSA SWIM SCHEME	2 3 Nov
4	4 November SWIM SCHEME P&C MEETING	5 November SWIM SCHEME	6 November SWIM SCHEME	7 November SWIM SCHEME	8 November PSSA SWIM SCHEME	9 10 Nov
5	11 November	12 November	13 November	14 November	15 November PSSA P&C COLOUR RUN (afternoon)	16 17 Nov
6	18 November	19 November 2020 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION DAY 1 (morning)	20 November	21 November PRINCIPAL'S ASSEMBLY @ 9:30AM	22 November PSSA	23 – Year 6 Bunnings BBQ 24 Nov
7	25 November	26 November 2020 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION DAY 2 (afternoon)	27 November	28 November PARENT HELPER BREAKFAST 8:30AM	29 November	30 Nov 1 Dec
8	2 December P&C MEETING	3 December CALMSLEY HILL FARM KINDY EXCURSION	4 December	5 December PRINCIPAL MEDALLION BREAKFAST 8:30AM	6 December STAGE 2 EXCURSION (Year 3&4)	7 8 Dec
9	9 December	10 December PRESENTATION DAY ASSEMBLIES (morning)	11 December	12 December END OF YEAR CONCERT	13 December	14 15 Dec
10	16 December YR 6 GRADUATION YR 6 FAREWELL STAGE 2 BEACH DAY	17 December STAGE 3 BEACH DAY STAGE 1 INFLATABLE WORLD KINDY CELEBRATION DAY @ SCHOOL	18 December LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS	19 December STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	20 December STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	21 22 Dec
Hols	23 December	24 December	25 December	26 December	27 December	28 29 Dec