



Schofields Sparkler

SCHOOL
BANKING IS
STILL ON HOLD.

DATE TO BE
ADVISED WHEN
IT WILL RESUME.

P&C Email

Any P&C related
queries can be
emailed directly to
schofieldspandc@gmail.com

Dates to Remember

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Week 2 Term 4 - Tue 20 & Wed
21 Oct

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,
Principal's Report

A GREAT START TO TERM 4

We have had a very successful and enjoyable opening of the upgraded site. Students and staff have settled in very quickly and are hard at work to end 2020 on a high note. I would like to congratulate the students for their exemplary behaviour and efforts this week. I would also like to thank the students, staff and community for their patience and resilience during the many challenges we have worked through together this year 'Success Through Community'.

In later newsletters this term, we plan to have showcases to let you see how learning is happening for all students this term.

Have a look at the photos later in the newsletter, of the school and its features and the students at work.

SCHOOL PHOTO PAYMENTS

School photos will be taken next Tuesday, 20 and Wednesday, 21 October. **No payments are required until after the photos are taken.**

All payments will be made on line using credit cards or PayPal. You will be able to select the photos that you would like to purchase which, once processed, will be delivered to your home. **On photo day your child will bring home a sheet with instructions to register and codes to access their photos.**

SELECTIVE HIGH 2022 (FOR STUDENTS IN YEAR 5 THIS YEAR)

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2022 will be accepted from Tuesday 13 October 2020 to Monday 16 November 2020.

Parents should notify the school of their intention to apply using the form sent home at the end of Term 3.

Parents must apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

PSSA

Just a reminder PSSA is cancelled for the remainder of the year.

DROP OFF

School drop off has been operating very efficiently and safely in the morning. From next week our slight flexibility around arrival time will cease and children will be marked late for school if they are not in class straight after the 9:15am bell.

CHANGES TO PICK-UP

Friday, 16 October will be our last day of early, staggered dismissal. We have been monitoring student pick-up during Week 1 and it has been having little, to no effect on physical distancing outside the school gate and causing further safety concerns for our students.

Additionally, we believe the extra teaching and learning time in class will be of benefit to the students of SPS.

FROM MONDAY 19 OCTOBER AT 3:10PM

Students in Years 3-6 will be:

- dismissed from their classrooms and exit the school
- please **arrange** a designated meeting point **outside** the school with your child if you wish to meet them
- Students who walk home will continue to do so as normal

Students in Year K-2 will be:

- dismissed from the 'pop-up' shade area (under the green shade sails)
- one parent/carer will be able to enter the school through Gate 8
- collect your child/ren from this area,
- immediately exit through Gate 9
- parents must follow physical distancing protocols
- parents should line up at Gate 8, whilst maintaining physical distancing, prior to 3:10pm.

Family and Sibling Organisation

If you wish for your K-2 child to be collected by an older sibling please explain this carefully to both children and provide a note of these arrangements to the younger child's teacher.

Parking

Parents and carers should note that it is illegal to leave your car unattended in the 'kiss and drop' zone. I encourage parents and carers to find a legal parking spot and walk to collect their child/ren.

Staff will only be on duty at exit gates to monitor students leaving the school.





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Operation Art

Our school is exhibiting in Operation Art. Come and see our work on display at the Armory Gallery, Jamieson Street, Sydney Olympic Park.

Thursday 15 October – Sunday 15 November
Open daily 10am – 4pm, free entry



Hello Schofields Public School P&C Association,

Are you a parent, carer or grandparent of children aged 5 to 17? Do you wonder how digital media and technologies that they live with might affect their wellbeing, health and learning?

If your answer to these questions is 'yes', the Gonski Institute for Education invites you to share your views with them.

P&C Federation is supporting the Growing Up Digital Australia Phase 2 and 3 research with Gonski Institute for Education and UNSW.

[Complete the survey here](#)

https://unsw.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8G6IesTYKXcAymV

Kind regards

P&C Federation Team

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SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES
WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?*

FACT Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need YOU to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.

No Parking
 No waiting. You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick-up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.
 PENALTIES FROM \$191 + 1 DEMERIT POINTS

No Stopping
 You must not stop on a length of road with a No Stopping sign. The first 10m from an intersection is a no stopping zone. Yellow kerb lines are also No Stopping zones.
 PENALTIES FROM \$344 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

Bus Zone
 Only a public bus can stop in a bus zone.
 PENALTIES FROM \$344 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

Mobile Phones
 Extra fines apply for using mobile phones in a school zone. May be subject to Double Demerits
 PENALTIES FROM \$457 + 4 DEMERIT POINTS

Speeding Offences
 40km/h is the limit. Children are vulnerable, so slow down in school zones. May be subject to Double Demerits
 PENALTIES FROM \$200 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

Pedestrian Crossings
 1. In a queue of traffic, no part of your vehicle can stop on a pedestrian crossing.
 2. Do not let your child in or out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing as this is a No Stopping zone.
 PENALTIES FROM \$457 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

Driveways & Footpaths
 Do not park on or across a driveway or footpath.
 PENALTIES FROM \$344 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

U turns
 Illegal on or near a pedestrian crossing and across double white lines.
 PENALTIES FROM \$344 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

Double Parking
 Double parking is illegal and is very dangerous in a school zone.
 PENALTIES FROM \$344 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

PENRITH CITY COUNCIL
 Fines current as of November 2019. Fines and demerit points are subject to change. For more information check the NSW Centre for Road Safety website.

Please follow the road rules. An explanation of the road signs and the penalties for offences are included to the left.

Please move forward as far as possible at the kiss and drop.

GENERAL NEWS

IDENTIFICATION

Occasionally there is a need for parents to collect their children early from school which requires the office staff to check parents identity. As a matter of course please ensure you have photo ID e.g. Driver's Licence with you when you visit the office.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2021

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2021. If you need an enrolment form please come in to the school office and pick one up or download one from the school website.

If you know of anyone that has a child that is due to start Kindergarten next year, please refer them to the school office.

If you have a completed form please drop it in to the school office with your child's birth certificate, immunisation history statement and 1 x proof of address.

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property basket is now located outside the new canteen building.



*More Info at service.nsw.gov.au/activekids

Schofields Cricket Club - Girls Come and Try Session! Girls of all ages! Bring your friends!
Activities, Games and Information about the upcoming season. We'll bring all the equipment!
Thursday, 17th September, 4.00-5.30pm at Schofields Park, Schofields
For more information, contact: Prashant Ahluwalia – schofieldscricket@hotmail.com
Register, Share and Discuss via our Facebook Event – 'Schofields CC Girls Come & Try Day'

PLAY CRICKET

Due to COVID children can not use the school bubblers.

As the weather is now warming up please ensure that you supply your child with a drink bottle.



Empower your child's learning in a fun and easy way!



Abacus Course
Kindergarten to Year 3



General Ability
Year 3 to Year 7



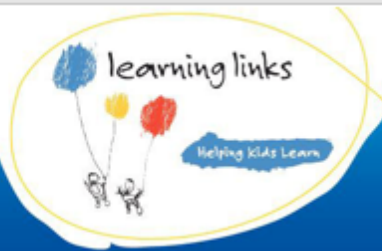
Rocket Maths
Year 4 to Year 7



Super Writers
Year 2 to Year 3

Enroll Now

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Developing resilience in children



What a parent can do to build resilience

This workshop helps parents gain knowledge about resilience, looks at how it is developed and what external factors can effect resilience. It also looks at how to promote your child's resilience and examines what resources are available to parents.

The 1.5-hour session covers topics such as:

- What is resilience?
- Why is it important?
- What are the factors associated with it?
- 7 learnable skills of resilience
- The overall model of resilience
- The protective factors associated with resilience

When: Wednesday 28th October 2020- 10:00 am- 11:30 am

Where: Online via Zoom. Please click on the below link to register:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtcOqgpj4sGNJUtPf0J-ynLhBldvcFLmnz>

THE PONDS

TRY LEAGUE

BOYS AND GIRLS, AGED 4-12 YEARS



COME AND JOIN US AND TRY LEAGUE

a fun, safe way for boys and girls from culturally and linguistically diverse communities to get active and learn the basics of Rugby League

TUESDAY EVENINGS 6PM – 7PM
Term 4 (13 October – 1 December)
The Ponds Synthetic Field,
Cnr Fyfe Rd & Carindale St, The Ponds

**Cost \$20 per child for 8 weeks.
FREE t-shirt for each registered participant**



For more information or to register, please scan the code or contact: Zoe Hamilton 0424 430 424 or zhamilton@nswrl.com.au

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