





Term 4 | Week 5 | 12 November 2019

Teamwork Respect Responsibility Honesty



Gillian Stuart-Principal

#### **Important Dates**

Term 4	2019
Thursday 28/11/19	MySkills - Technical Parenting TAFE 5-7pm (see back of newsletter for more details)
Friday 29/11/19	End of Year Celebration for students and families "Burger and Disco Night"
Monday 2/12/19	MHS Parent Information Evening 6-7pm
Tuesday 3/12/19	MHS Year 6-7 Orientation Day
9/12/19 to 13/12/19	Swimming Scheme & Surf Awareness Program
Tuesday 17/12/19	Year 6 Farewell
Thursday 12/12/19	End of Year Presentation 5.00pm
Wednesday 18/12/19	Last Day of Term for students

## **Little Whales**



Siblings of our little whales visited yesterday. There was lots of fun doing maths games.













"Never bend your head. Always hold it high. Look the world straight in the eye."

Helen Keller

## Indo Corner

#### Rumah dan alamat

#### **Home and address**

Dimana kamu tinggal? Possible responses

Where do you live? Saya tinggal di Scotts Head.

Dimana alamatmu?

Saya tinggal di Grassy Head. Where's your address?

Possible responses

Alamat saya adalah Vernon Street nomor 21. Rumah saya ada di Vernon Street nomor 21.

My address is 21 Vernon Street

## Principal's Column

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Congratulations Tegan on achieving your PB at the finals of 200 metres at the state athletics championships in Sydney last week.

#### **Devastating Bushfires and our schools**

Our hearts go out to school communities who are suffering as a result of these devastating bushfires we are currently experiencing. As a community we are all feeling for you and offer our best wishes and are prepared to support those communities however we can.

We are planning to host the Hernani and Dundurrabin students and staff in Term 1 2020 at the Christian Youth Centre to help compensate for what they have experienced this term.

Unfortunately the predictions are that the coming week will be equally difficult with extremely dangerous conditions. Please keep safe and listen to the advice & directions of those expert in the field. Just a reminder our safe shelter location is Club Scotts in West Street. If time allows we will evacuating the school as early as possible to this location if need be.

#### **Bike Safety**

Please take time to chat with your children about bike safety. Last weekend, one of our students collided with a car. He is recovering well. We have had many phone calls from community members who phone the school reporting close calls from unsafe riding of our students. We are planning a bike education day with the police liaison officer as soon as possible.

Thanks to the kind words from a parent, around feedback re our visible learning plan:

#### Hi Gillian.

I just wanted to say I found your Principal's column very inspiring in this week's newsletter. I loved the Visible learning statement, the Learning Vision and especially the Aspiration Statement. No doubt there is a lot going on behind the scenes with building staff capacity and creating this shared vision.

I am changing roles next year at Bowraville Central School and moving to HT Teaching and Learning, and would like to start working on building some of this into our school.

I have shared this also with members of our exec here.

We are very lucky as parents to have you driving our local school forward.

Cheers, Rob Symonds

#### Numeracy

Part of our education plan is to have a focus on lifting our numeracy results. Last week, all classroom teachers had professional development around Additive Strategies.

#### Our goal Is:

 To improve numeracy outcomes for all students K-6 as measured by students achieving more indicators and increasing levels in Additive Strategies Learning Progression over Semester 1, 2020 and NAPLAN data 2020

#### This Week's Whale Awards and Outstanding Progress Awards











demonstrating a higher percentage of students in Yr 3 and Yr 5 in the top 2 bands for Numeracy.

 To improve personal enjoyment and confidence of all teachers in teaching numeracy measured by pre and post survey data.

The highlight this coming week is firstly flying to Sydney with Bu Lyndsey on Wednesday to continue our Leadership Development Initiative (LDI) Program. To date, we have engaged in a range of learning experiences across three conferences focusing on coaching and mentoring skills, effective feedback strategies and evaluative thinking as key components of instructional leadership.

Secondly, on Friday attending state office where I will be having meetings with the primary and state language teams on the topic of languages and implementation.

Then of course the best highlight of all - spending the weekend with a lovely bunch of committed students and parents who will be performing and supporting at the Indonesian Festival in Canberra. We here at the school appreciate all the time and energy everyone is putting towards this lifetime experience for our students. An honour to represent Australian schools!

Thanks, yaarri yaraang, terima kasih. Gillian Stuart

#### **Principal**





Remember to send in a note if your child is absent from school.

After 7 days, the system automatically records as an "Unexplained Absence".

TAFE - MySkills Technical Parenting - 28 November 5.00-7.00pm See flyer on back page for more details.

Book Club—Issue 8 Due back by 29 November

End of Year Celebration for students and families - Friday 29 November 2019

A Burger and Disco Night will be held at the school from 5.00-8.00pm on Friday 29 November to celebrate the End of Year. More information to follow.

Swimming Scheme and Surf Awareness Program - Monday 9 to Friday 13 December Students who have achieved "Marlins" at the pool will be taking part in our Surf Awareness Program at the beach. Notes will be going home soon.

**Updating Contacts** It is important parents keep contact details up to date. Please contact the office or send a note with your child if there is a change of address or contact phone number.

#### Links

School website:

http://www.scottsheadp.schools.nsw.edu.au/

School facebook page:

https://
www.facebook.com/
scottsheadpublicschool?fref=ts

Skoolbag Application:
Search "Scotts Head Public
School" in the app store.

#### **Bell Times**

8.30am	Morning	
	Supervision	
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Start	8.55am	
School		
9.00am until	Morning Session	
11.00am	Crunch and Sip	
11.00am	Lunch	
<b>11.00am</b> 11.50—1.30	<b>Lunch</b> Middle Session	
11.50—1.30		
11.50—1.30 pm	Middle Session	

# Playgroup is **cancelled** this Wednesday due to the current weather conditions.

#### Payments to School

Payments can be made to the school using the following options:

- EFTPOS at the office.
- Parent online payment POP via the school website—using the 'Make a Payment' button.
- Cash and cheque are still accepted at the office.

#### Notes to Students

Whole school notes are sent home with the eldest child in the family only.

Please fill in permission notes including all SHPS students in your family.

## BOOMERANG

### Boomerang Bags - URGENT HELPERS NEEDED

Boomerang Bags is still working hard on producing bags for the community. If you are interested in being a part of this great initiative, come along on Mondays from 3.15pm. We urgently need helpers to get ready for the upcoming holiday period. We are calling for anyone who can sew to help at home as well, this could be grandmothers, mums or friends.

Please contact Stacy on 0432176448.

## **P&C News**

P&C email scottsheadpandc@hotmail.com

We would like to welcome some new volunteers in the canteen to be trained up ready for 2020.

Please email the P&C or contact the office for more information.

Next meeting:

Monday 25 November 3.15pm in the library

## The Needs of Living Things



(from top right to bottom left)
Water, Shelter, Love, Shelter, Food, Air, Clothes

In Indonesian science K/1 have been learning about the needs of living things. Here they are showing their drawings of what we humans need to survive.





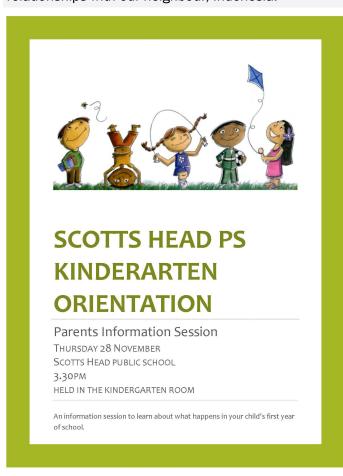
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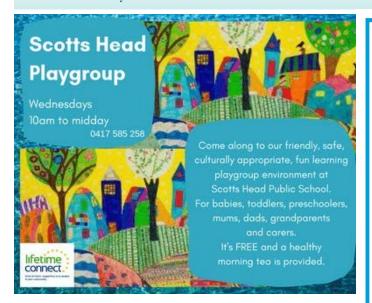
## Official Indonesian Meeting in Sydney

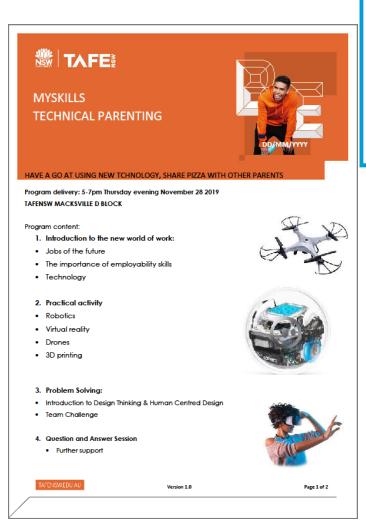
Scotts Head Public School is helping Indonesian language learning to gain some serious profile in NSW. Karl Krause has been invited to attend a special meeting in Sydney on Sunday 17 November where representatives of the Indonesian Government and the NSW Department of Education will convene to discuss a stronger strategy going forward concerning the study of Indonesian in NSW.

SHPS has been instrumental in raising the profile of language learning through contemporary bilingual teaching methodology and authentic language learning experiences that focus strongly on people to people relationships with our neighbour, Indonesia.









## Gateway Family Services Term 4, 2019 Parenting Programs Summary



Program	Date & Time	Location	Registration
Circle of Security  Learn how to be a strong, wiser & kinder parent with your kids. Suitable for parents of 0 -12 year old.	Every Wednesday 23rd Oct - 4th Dec 7:00pm - 9:00pm NO Childcare	Gateway Family Services Cnr Henry & Station Street, PENRITH	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Tuning In To Kids Emotionally Intelligent Parenting Learning to better talk & understand your child to help manage your child's emotions & behaviour.	Every Monday 28th Oct - 18th Nov 10:00am - 12noon * Childcare available	Tanderra OOSH 14 Raymond Rd, SPRINGWOOD (behind Neighbourhood Centre)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Bringing Up Great Kids  Learn about mindfulness & reflection, promoting positive interactions, the meaning behind children's behaviour and ways in which parents can take care of themselves & find support when they need it.	Every Monday 28th Oct - 2nd Dec 9:30am - 11:30am * Childcare available	Katoomba Public School Merriwa Street, KATOOMBA	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
Let's Talk about Siblings without Rivalry Discussion and practical tools for parents who want to help their children live well together so you can all live.	Every Tuesday 5th Nov - 26th Nov 7:00pm - 9:00pm <i>NO Childcare</i>	Gateway Family Services (Cottage) 74 Old Bathurst Rd, EAST BLAXLAND	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)

For more information and Individual Flyers go to:

#### www.gatewayfamilyservices.org.au or www.facebook.com/GatewayFS

Gateway family services parent group program is funded by DSS and NSW FACS.

Gateway works collaboratively with community partners to bring parent groups to communities from St Marys to Blackheath.

Thanks to MMM for providing childcare for the Daytime groups.

Gateway encourages, supports & respects diversity in families & communities. Our Groups are open to everyone





Available at the school office

