

Cessnock Public School

Perfect Page



26TH JULY

Important Dates

- Kinder 2020 Orientation, Wed, 31st July
- **Boys PSSA** Basketball, Wed, 31st July
- **School Leaders** Breakfast, Wed, 31st July
- **Zone Athletics** Carnival, Thurs, 2nd August
- **Education Week** Assembly, Thurs, 8th August
- Book Club due, Thurs, 8th August
- **Staff Development** Day, Mon 19th August. Students do not attend school.
- **Book Week** Parade, Thurs, 29th August

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Dear families,

Welcome back for an exciting term 3 of learning! I hope you all had a enjoyable break. It is great to see our wonderful students settle into school with some exciting changes and new programs implemented from this term.

Coming up in week 2:

Monday - Sport in School sessions, Stage 3

Tuesday - Early Stage 1 library

Wednesday - Stage 2 library, Mindfulness, PSSA Basketball, Kinder Orientation, School Leaders **Breakfast**

Thursday - Stage 1 library, Support class swimming

Friday – School sport, NSW Cricket sessions, Zone Athletics Carnival

It has been a fantastic start to the term with plenty of amazing experiences taking place. Our students have settled in extremely well with our new teaching and learning times and it has been great to see the classes enjoying their fresh fruit and vegetables each morning as part of our healthy eating initiative. This week we have also had Cricket NSW start their cricket skills program with all classes and we had Andrew from iTeacher working with students and teachers on the effective use of iPads, which has been fantastic.

Attached to the Perfect Page this week is an Expression of Interest for parents and carers to participate in the course, Parents as Teachers and Classroom Helpers (PaTCH). This voluntary course will provide the skills and resources required to volunteer in classrooms supporting children with reading, writing and developing early numeracy skills. If you are interested in participating, please complete the attached form and return to school.

Thank you to all of our Stage 2 families who have paid their deposit for the upcoming camp. Further payments can be made through instalments either online or by coming in and paying at the school. Final date for the remainder of the payment is due by Monday 18th of October.

I would like to wish all of our Zone Athletics competitors the best of luck when they compete in the carnival next Friday. I am sure they will be wonderful representatives of our school. The carnival is once again at Turner Park and students are asked to be there by 8.15am as the first events will be called at 8.30am.

A reminder that our first Kindergarten Orientation session is this coming Wednesday, 31st July. Orientation and transition is an integral process in getting our upcoming Kindergarten students ready for entry into Kindergarten for 2020. The Orientation session commences at 10am in the library. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact our school office.

In the coming weeks our Perfect Page will be moving to an online format and will be accessible on our Facebook Page and Website and will be provided through email. If you would like to receive the Perfect Page via email, please ensure that details of your email account are up to date by completing the attached form and returning to our office as soon as possible.

Education Week is being held during week 3 and to celebrate we will be holding an assembly, classroom visits and an afternoon on Thursday, 8th August to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our students and school. More information will follow over the coming week.

The Book Week theme this year is 'Reading is my secret power' and our annual parade will be held on *Thursday, 29th August*. This day is always full of excitement, fun and we again look forward to seeing our students dress-up as their favourite book or character. Keep an eye out over the next couple of weeks for a note with further details.

Just a reminder that schools are a no smoking zone. Smoking is prohibited within 4 metres of any access point of the school.

As always we will try to keep everyone up to date with what is happening around our wonderful school through our school website, Facebook Page.

Have a great week! Steve Morgan



On Tuesday we had a visit from Action

Education with their Backflips Against Bullying show. Students were enthralled with their energetic acrobatics and their positive messages about stamping out bullying.



















Sports

The girls basketball team represented our school with pride yesterday at Maitland Basketball Stadium. Many compliments were received from other schools in regards to the girls positive attitude and high level of sportsmanship. The girls were defeated in their semi-final against a strong Tanilba Bay side and met East Maitland in a play off for 5th place. The girls came 6th place overall on the day.





Our boys and girls school touch football teams competed at the PSSA Touch Footy gala day at the Basin. Both teams played 3 games each with the girls coming away with a draw against Bellbird in their last game. Although our teams didn't advance through to the next PSSA round, we are super proud of our players who all represented our school with pride and showed great sportsmanship. A big thanks to all our parents who volunteered to transport our team today, we very much appreciate it.





A reminder Cessnock PS is trialling a new structure of teaching and learning times based on shorter, more frequent learning sessions and more frequent opportunities

for students to engage in play. Our new bells times are:

Before school: Break 2:

o 8.55 – 9.25am o 12.25 – 12.30pm

(eating)

Session 1: o 12.30 – 12.50pm (play)

o 9.25 - 10.45am

Session 3:

Break 1: o 12.50 – 2pm

o 10.45 – 10.50am

(eating)

o 10.50 - 11.10 (play)

Break 3:

o 2 – 2.05pm (eating)

o 2.05 – 2.25pm (play)

Session 2:

o 11.10 - 12.25pm

Session 4:

o 2.25 - 3.25pm

House Championship Points Update

Points will be collected for the first time in Term 3 next week, and there has already been a large number of points earned so far this term. Below is a reminder of the end of Term 2 standings. Remember to keep an eye on the scoreboards in primary (just inside the primary building) and infants (on the side wall of the infants building, across from the 3-6H classroom).

Gordon - 41671 Paterson - 35825

Lawson - 31204 Kendall - 29918

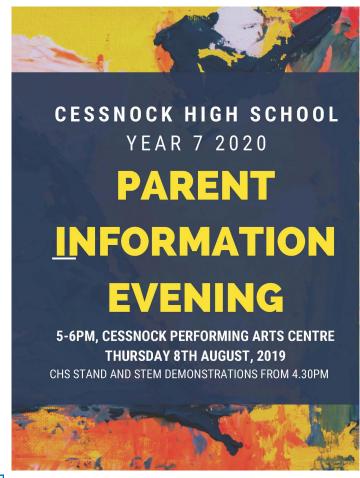
Stage 2 Camp

28th & 29th October

Cost \$200.00

Final payment due 18th October.

Payments can be made in instalments by cash, Eftpos or online via our secure payment facility.



Little Goannas Go For Kinder

Come along and introduce your child to Cessnock Public School in a fun, relaxed and engaging way.

Wednesday 31st July 10am

Story and Relaxation Time in our Library

Wednesday 14th August 10am

Story and Relaxation Time in our Library

Wednesday 28th August 10am

Kinder Gym in Cooinda (Hall)

Wednesday 11th September 10am

Play Time in the Infants playground

Wednesday 25th September 9:45am

Teddy Bear's Picnic in the Infants playground

EVERY VISIT IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TO ENSURE A SMOOTH TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

FOR YOUR CHILD!