



Term 4 - Week 10

All Good Things...



As we reach the final week of the school year, thank you for your support this year. It has been an action-packed year with hard work from students and the community. Seeing so many of you at the carols evening on that beautiful evening reminded me of how lucky I am to be the principal of this school. It was a great evening held by all. I sincerely thank all of you for coming and to all the teachers, especially Mr Taylor, for all of the organising behind the scenes and the countless hours preparing the children for their performances. Our wonderful P&C was there to support and make it even better with food and stalls.

This week is a week we say goodbye to many students and some staff members. It is a bitter-sweet experience as we know they are moving forward, yet we will miss them all so much. For some of our families, this will end an era as they will no longer have any students at the school. I know that they will all remember the school as I remember my primary school and all of the fun I had there.

I hope that you all have a fantastic holiday period. Whatever you end up doing, I hope it is a good one. For those of you returning in 2024, all Year 1 to 6 students start on Thursday, 1 February, while Kindergarten students will start on Monday, 5 February.

Schools

Cronulla South Public School hosts transition sessions families prepare their children for Kindergarten

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Last week, the St George and Sutherland Shire Leader published an article on our kindergarten transition process. This article focussed on the approach taken by the school with not only an information session on traditional transition and school information but also a focus on curriculum. Take a [read of the article here](#).

Presentation Day

Our Presentation Day Assemblies will be held on Thursday, 14 December, at the following times in our school hall:

- K-2 Presentation Assembly 9:00 am - 10:30 am
- 3-5 Presentation Assembly 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
- Year 6 Presentation Assembly 1:15 pm - 2:45 pm

Class Awards: Academic Achievement, Consistent Effort, Class Citizenship, Class Sport (K-2 only)

Stage Awards: Citizenship, Library, RFF Music & Drama, Public Speaking

Extracurricular Awards: Debating (5-6 only), Dance (3-6 only), Band (4 Year Service & Music Ensemble)

Sports Awards: Overall, Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country Champions for each age range and gender, PSSA Best and Fairest awards (3-6 only), Athletics/Swimming Records

Major Awards: Incentive, School Service, Dux, Creative Arts (Junior and Senior), ANSTO Science, RSL Scholarship, Premier's Sports Medal.

Families of children who will be receiving awards have been notified by email now or in the following day or so. We have planned seating arrangements for two parents, carers, or family members to attend for each student to receive an award at our Presentation Day Assembly.

All assemblies will be live-streamed to enable our school community to join these celebrations of achievement, with the link to be sent out in Week 10. Parents, carers and family members are more than welcome to join the live stream at the set times above if they cannot attend in person. In addition, there will be a recording of each assembly, which will be made available later for parents to view at their convenience.

Important Dates Ahead

Date	Event
Monday, 11 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Year 6 Movie Day● Student Lighthouse Canteen - Recess
Tuesday, 12 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Year 6 Fun Day● K-2 - Got Game Program● Year 6 Farewell● Last Canteen Day for 2023● Library Classes - 3/4M, 3/4B, KP
Wednesday, 13 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Student Lighthouse Canteen - Recess● The uniform shop will be open for 2024 Kindergarten parents for sizing from 8:30 am to 9:30 am● 3-6 - Got Game Program● Library Classes - 1J, 2M, 1W. 4/5C, KN
Thursday, 14 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Presentation Day● Canteen Closed● Library Classes - 5/6P, 5/6H, 2CB
Friday, 15 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● K-6 Picnic Day● Year 6 Clap-out● Semester 2 Reports sent home● Students' last day of school for 2023
Coming Up	<p>2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Thursday, 1 February - Years 1 to 6 students return for the first day back in 2024● Thursday, 1 February - Kindergarten Best Start Assessments● Friday, 2 February - Kindergarten Best Start Assessments● Monday, 5 February - First day of Kindergarten● Tuesday, 13 February - P&C AGM and First Meeting● Monday, 19 February - 3-6 Swimming Carnival - Caringbah Leisure Centre● Friday, 23 February - P&C Trivia Night● Monday, 4 March - National Young Leaders Day Excursion● Tuesday, 5 March - Zone Swimming Carnival - Sutherland Leisure Centre● Monday, 18 March - School Photo Day● Monday, 25 March - K-6 Cross Country Carnival - Kareela Synthetic Fields● Monday, 13 May - Zone Cross Country - Miranda Park● Tuesday, 11 June - K-6 Athletics Carnival - The Ridge Athletics Track● Monday-Wednesday, 29-31 July - Stage 3 Canberra Excursion● Friday, 9 August - Zone Athletics Carnival - Day 1● Friday, 23 August - Zone Athletics Carnival - Day 2

A Week Ahead in Learning

Early Stage 1 - Kindergarten

Literacy	Numeracy
<p>Writing Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Using compound sentences in own writing● Using feedback to edit and improve writing <p>Phonics, Spelling and Grammar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Phoneme (sound) revision● Camera words - revision <p>Reading Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Expressing likes and dislikes about a text● Using information from texts to form an opinion● Reading decodable texts with increasing fluency.	<p>Numeracy Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reading hour time on analog clocks● Explaining and representing their mathematical thinking in a variety of ways
<p>PDHPE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Class games <p>Creative Arts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Drama● Visual arts - Christmas themed	<p>Pick up arrangements - Due to building work preparations for construction work commencing during the school holidays, Kindergarten will be picked up this week from the silver seats under the COLA. Please use gate entry on Trevellyan St.</p> <p>Have a safe and happy Christmas and we can't wait to see you again in 2024!</p>

Stage 1 - Years 1 and 2

Literacy	Numeracy
<p>Writing Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Experimenting with complex sentences● Using time connectives to sequence events when recounting a narrative text orally● Creating a short text that includes prepositional phrases <p>Phonics, Spelling and Grammar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Revising all sounds and camera words learnt this year <p>Reading Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Recalling main events of a story● Reading decodable texts with increasing fluency.	<p>Numeracy Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Using flexible strategies to solve addition and subtraction problems● Describing duration using units of time● Representing and explaining multiplication as the combining of equal groups
<p>PDHPE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Class games - cooperation & team building <p>Creative Arts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Drama● Visual arts - Christmas themed	<p>So many fun exciting events this week. Don't forget to check the 'Important Dates' above.</p> <p>Have a safe and happy Christmas and we can't wait to see you again in 2024!</p>

Stage 2 - Years 3 and 4

Literacy	Numeracy
<p>Writing Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Creating and publishing a narrative poem based on a topic or image <p>Spelling and Grammar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Green Group - looking at graphemes that say the /eye/ phoneme● Blue Group - exploring the doubling rule and the suffixes -ful and -en● Purple Group - exploring the suffix -ous <p>Reading Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reading poems created by other students, focusing on rhythm and prosody	<p>Numeracy Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Data: creating effective survey questions, collecting and organising data, and representing findings in different types of graphs (written and digital)
<p>PDHPE: Healthy Lifestyle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Exploring inclusion as part of healthy relationships and developing skills in interdependence <p>Science and Technology: Material World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Finalising portfolios from their package design, reflecting on the effectiveness of their construction and its strengths and possible improvements <p>Geography: Australia's Neighbours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Finalising and presenting plans for improved waste collection processes <p>Creative Arts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Dance: Got Game	<p>Reminders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Year 6 Fun Day is on Tuesday 12 December. Please ensure that you have completed permission and payment for this Year 6 fundraising activity prior to the day. Year 3-5 students are to wear regular school uniform.● 3-5 Presentation Day Assembly will be held on Thursday 14 December in the school hall from 11:00-12:30 pm, families have been notified if their child will be receiving an award. K-6 students are to wear regular school uniform.● Picnic Day is on Friday 15 December. Please ensure that you have completed permission for this event on School Bytes (there is no payment required). K-6 students are to wear sports uniform. The P&C is also running a sausage sizzle lunch on the Friday with orders open on the QKR app.● Semester 2 Reports will be handed out on Friday 15 December. <p>Thank you for an excellent year of learning. Wishing you all a safe and relaxing holiday break.</p>

Literacy	Numeracy
<p>Writing Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Our work on poetry concludes this week with students creating a poem to express themselves. <p>Spelling and Grammar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Spelling Mastery concludes this week where students will revise the rules they have learnt and how to apply them while spelling. <p>Reading Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Students will finalise their informative posters through Canva, showcasing what they have learned from their assigned text this term.	<p>Numeracy Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Students will be revising topics that they found challenging throughout the year. This will be achieved through revision activities and Mathletics.

<p>PDHPE: Healthy Living/Active Lifestyle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Got Game focus: Dance● Due to end-of-year events PDHPE will not be completed this week. <p>Science and Technology: Material World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Students will complete two experiments this week where they will complete experiments to observe the reaction of mixing different materials. <p>Geography: Natural Disasters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● .The remaining groups will present their bushfire safety plans. <p>Creative Arts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Due to end-of-year events, Creative Arts will not proceed this week.	<p>Reminders:</p> <p>Monday: Year 6 Movie Day. All year Year 6 students are to wear mufti (with appropriate closed shoes to walk to the mall). Students will depart school at approximately 11:50 am and walk to Hoyts at Cronulla Mall. We will then return for normal bell time.</p> <p>Tuesday: Year 6 Fun Day. Once again only Year 6 are allowed to wear mufti for their fun day. Fun day will occur in the middle session.</p> <p>Farewell Dinner. Students are welcome to assemble at Bobbie's at Cronulla for photos from 4:45 pm. They will then be walked by teachers to Cronulla RSL for their farewell dinner at 5:30 pm. Parents are welcome to join us from 8:50 pm. The dinner concludes promptly at 9:30 pm and it is asked that all families assist in the cleaning/packing up of the event. The parent organising committee has organised a table for parents in the public area of the RSL for 30 ppl if parents would like to join.</p> <p>Thursday: Presentation Day. The Years 3-5 presentation day will commence in the school hall from 11:00 am.</p> <p>The Year 6 graduation ceremony will commence in the school hall at 1:15 pm.</p> <p>Friday: Picnic Day. All students are to attend our annual end-of-year picnic at Oak Park. Students are to wear their school uniform. To join in games and activities students will need to wear a hat.</p>
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Positive Behaviour for Learning and Leader in Me - Term 4 - Week 10

PBL We will be looking at expectations for the Hall/Assembly this week, in preparation for our Presentation Day assemblies on Thursday. Students will be focusing on:

- Listening to all speakers
- Waiting silently between speakers

- Applauding appropriately

Leader in Me for our final week of the term and year, we will be looking at **Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw**. There are many events happening this week that will be an opportunity for students to recharge, such as our Fun Day and Picnic Day, but there will also be an opportunity for students to reflect on and celebrate their progress across year through class activities, Presentation Day assemblies and their Semester 2 reports. Habit 7 will be a fitting way to enter into the holidays and recharge over the Summer break.



Student Lighthouse Team A huge thank you to all students who wore crazy hair and mufti last Wednesday and brought in a donation. We raised \$169 for the Red Cross!





This week our Student Canteen will be open on Monday and Wednesday only due to our Picnic Day on Friday. A huge thank you to all of our Year 5 and 6 Student Canteen team members who have tirelessly worked to set up, sell, calculate change, pack up, count stock and determine new items for orders. We are incredibly grateful for your work this year. The Student Canteen has raised over \$1000 for the school this year, which the Student Lighthouse Team has decided they would like to use to purchase some new sports equipment for our playgrounds.

Rewards Day Poetry Challenge

As Part of the Stage 3 rewards days, which resulted in Mr Park and Miss Hill being dunked with a bucket of water, the children were challenged to write their own unique poem (given only 20minutes). Each class had one winning entry which was presented to a panel of judges. Stakes were high and each group were given accolades for their creativity.

The winning entries are published below. Another successful rewards day for everyone... but Mr Park and Miss Hill.



Our Principal is really cool,
He needs to be in-despicable.

We see him every day when he comes to school,
He gets here on his bicycle.
On the roads he's always sensible,
Our Principal is invincible.

Mrs Hill is at the top,
All the others you should drop.
We get good marks on all the tests,
Yeah, you know we are the best!

Have you seen that Mr Park,
All his jokes should be left in the dark.
And what about that Mr J,
We should choose 5/6H everyday!

[Daisy & Adele 5/6H](#)



The school of the sea wild and free,
Though so small it's such a glee.
A glimpse of a star oh so high,
Like a diamond in the sky.

Glisson's so bright the sun shines,

Up and over the water lines,
The sea knows all sea horse and starfish.
Many more cheer and make a wish.

Amelie & Piper 4/5J



Kids on playgrounds laugh and play,
Buts kids didn't laugh today.

For many days and many months,
The playground stood lonely and silent.

One day a child asked..
But before he could say,
Someone laughed.
Suddenly the playground turned bright,
It was like someone just turned on a light.

The playground seemed alive again,
And there was no more pain.
The kids were excited,
The playground reunited.

Max & Dane 5/6P



P&C News

Canteen - FREE ICE BLOCKS!!

All our CSPS kids will receive a free ice block from the P&C on 15 December (Picnic Day).

We are excited to announce that the canteen will open every Tuesday and Thursday until 12 December due to all the Term 4 superheroes who signed up to volunteer there.

Each year, the canteen raises over \$30,000 for the P&C to spend on improving our school for the benefit of our kids. However, this year we raised just over \$20,000 as we haven't had enough volunteers to staff the canteen.

Next year, [sign up for 2024 Term 1](#) to keep this important service open for our families while raising funds for the school. It's fun; you meet new people, no experience is necessary, and it's extremely rewarding as all the kids love seeing parents and carers at school. Plus, you get a free cup of coffee from Nun's Pool.

Just one or two shifts per family per term makes a big impact - many hands make light work.

Finally, on behalf of the P&C - it has been a pleasure running the canteen, opening the uniform shop, hosting fundraisers, organising upgrades of facilities, applying for grants and working with the school and teachers for our students. The P&C wish all families a Happy Christmas and great times ahead in 2024.

Working for your school community

CSPS P&C

The P&C Uniform Shop Needs Your Help!

We are calling upon Year 6 parents and carers who are moving on to high school with NO younger sibling(s) at CSPS to donate their used CSPS uniform shop items to the uniform shop. We are in need of green/red/blue/yellow/orange HOUSE colours and HARMONY day unbranded shirts, headbands, and accessories.

Why Donate?

- Your donation will help us continue providing affordable uniforms to all CSPS students.
- It will also help us to reduce our environmental impact by keeping uniforms out of landfills.
- Most importantly, it will help us show our school spirit and support our students.

How to Donate

- Please wash all items before donating.
- You can drop off donations at the uniform shop during regular business hours (Wed 8.30 to 9.30 am until 13 December or leave them at the school front office until 19th December 2023).

Thank you for your generosity!

Additional Information

- The 2024 school term starts on Thursday, February 1st.
- The swimming carnival is scheduled for February 19th.

- Harmony Day is in March 2024.

We hope that you will consider donating your used CSPS uniform shop items. Thank you for being so supportive!

Important Uniform Ordering Dates

Final Day for Uniform Orders

Midford will close their warehouse from Friday 15 December 2023 to 9 January 2024



December 2023

- Home Delivery Orders – need to be placed by 5.00pm Thursday 14 December 2023 to ensure dispatch before the warehouse closes.
- School Pickup Orders – need to be placed by 5.00pm Tuesday 12 December 2023
Orders will be available for collection from the School Office Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 December 2023 between 8.30am and 3.00pm.

January 2024

- Home Delivery Orders – Orders placed while the warehouse is closed will then be sent out from the 9 January 2024 after the warehouse reopens.
- School Pickup Orders – need to be placed by 5.00pm Thursday 25 December 2023 to ensure delivery to the School Office on Tuesday 30 January 2024.
Orders will be available for collection from the School Office on Wednesday 31 January 2024 between 8.30am and 3.00pm or alternatively they will be handed out to Year 1 to 6 Students on Thursday 1 February 2024.

2024 Kindergarten Students can either collect from the School Office on Wednesday 31 January 2024 or while attending Best Start.



Community Events

Dramatic Circus and Language Classes are back at CSPS in 2024. Bookings are now open for 2024. See details below.



Dramatic Circus

Dramatic circus will be taking over the drama club. We will be exploring both drama skills and circus skills in a fun after school activity. Circus skills explored will be hula hoops, juggling, spinning plates, ribbons, poi and more.

Classes will either be on:

Tuesdays 3-4pm

Or

Thursday 3-4pm

Depending on demand, I will separate K-2 and 3-6

Numbers will be capped, so let me know which day suits you.

Cost:

\$160 for 8 weeks

\$130 for early bird

(if booked by Wk 1 of term 1, 2024)

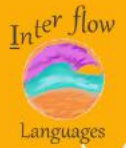
Term 1, 2024 will start in Week 3 (as it's a longer term, usually it will start in Week 2 of term)

Contact Lisa at: dramaticcircus@gmail.com

or 0403-229-080



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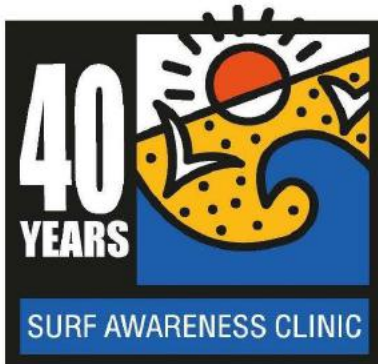
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40th TRADIES SURF AWARENESS CLINIC

Elouera Surf Life Saving Club



Elouera S.L.S.C

To be eligible to participate in the clinic, each child must be able to swim 50m unaided, a test swim will be conducted at Caringbah Leisure Centre, Jacaranda Road, Caringbah on Friday 5 January 2024 from 9:00am to 10:30am. Currently registered nippers or participants providing a swim school or squad certificate are exempt from the test swim. For further information, please email sac@elouera.com.

Benefiting the Community Together

The 40th Tradies Surf Awareness Clinic for children 7 to 12 years of age, is a five-day clinic held at Elouera Beach, Cronulla. The clinic is run from Monday 8 to Friday 12 January 2024, commencing at 8:45am and finishing at 12:00pm daily. Activities include surf swimming, body boarding, nipper board riding as well as learning surf and sun safety. The cost of the five-day clinic is \$60.00 (\$70.00 after 31/12/23).



REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Go to [40th Tradies Surf Awareness Clinic - Elouera Surf Life Saving Club](#)



