

Sadleir Public School

Newsletter Term 3 Week9

What's On

Tuesday 15/9	Stage 3 Excursion to IMAX theatre and Friendship Gardens
Wednesday 16/9	Wildlife Fun Day
Thursday 17/9	Early Stage 1 Excursion to Sydney Aquarium
Friday 18/9	PSSA Sport
Friday 18/9	FINAL DAY TERM 3
Tuesday 6/10	First Day Term 4
Tuesday 6/10	Swimming Scheme
Monday 12-13/10	Stage 2 Camp
Tuesday 13/10	2016 Kindy Orientation

Dear Parents and Carers

Achievements

This week I attended the Liverpool West Performing Arts Festival on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Our junior and senior dance groups put on fantastic performances. Congratulations to all the students who participated. The long hours of practice paid off. A big thankyou to Mrs Tamer and Miss Acquah for preparing the groups so well. Thanks also to Mrs Low's school choir who performed on Wednesday night. Thanks to parents and carers who attended the concert and helped with costumes and makeup.

Last week four of our students represented at the Regional Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to Andrew Sulkowski, Jayden Nguyen, Brandon Kong and Ahmad Al-Echlan.

Congratulations also to Vinh Phan and Mohammed Al Zahaowy who achieved distinction and high distinction in the University English competition.

Swimming Scheme

This year Sadleir PS was allocated 60 places for swimming scheme. The interest was extremely high and many students missed out on gaining a place. Swimming scheme is a department program for students in Year 2 and up. It is designed for students who are non-swimmers or lack confidence in the water. Initial priority was given to Year 2 as 0-8 year olds are often over represented in Australian water safety statistics.

School Spelling Bee Finals

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the school spelling bee finals. The standard of spelling was impressive and everyone should be very proud of their efforts. Thank you to all the parents and friends who came and supported the students at the competition. We will have 4 students representing our school in the NSW Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Finals on Thursday 17th September 2015. Congratulations and good luck to Redil and Ryan who will compete in the Stage 2 finals, and Mohammad and Tayla who will compete in the Stage 3 finals.

Congratulations to our 2015 Spelling Bee Champions

Muhammad, Jaydon, Uyen, Redil, Ryan, Jasmine & Mohammad.



Kindergarten

Spelling Bee Champion – Muhammad Achour. Muhammad correctly spelt the word *play* to win.

Finalists – Iesha El Awik, Dalia Sindyan, Ameliyah Glasspole, Israa Saadeddine, Zara Hira, Onaleah Katieli.



Year 1

Spelling Bee Champion – Jaydon Stevens. Jaydon correctly spelt the word *termite* to win.

Finalists – Omar Chafei, Jayda Zeneddin, Suraiya Sidawi, Dounia Muslmani, Harley Pignat, Chadi Kataieh.

Year 2

Spelling Bee Champion - Uyen Phan. Uyen correctly spelt *bazooka* to win.

Finalists – Wotan La, Maysa Wannous, Serena El-Nazer, Sally Ta, Ghdeir Hassan, Dakota Collis.

Year 3

Spelling Bee Champion – Redil Atroushi. Redil correctly spelt *canister* to win.

Finalists – Hamza Adani, Vinh Phan, Ahmad Al Zahaowy, Youssef Achour, Hala Chafei, Ahmed Ghazzaoui.



Year 4

Spelling Bee Champion – Ryan Vergara. Ryan correctly spelt *paranoia* to win.

Finalists – Pearl Fretton, Tiana Saunders, Vivien Nedeska, Kennye Kongmalavong, Kristine Bangug.



Year 5

Spelling Bee Champion – Jasmine Vongkhamchanh. Jasmine correctly spelt *stubborn* to win.

Finalists –Jason Salamie, Mariam Chafei, Shayma Skaf, Jack Haley, Antonio Benavides-Luangraj, James Page Tompsett



Year 6

Spelling Bee Champion – Mohammad Al Zahaowy. Mohammad correctly spelt *maintenance* to win.

Finalists – Ripel Atroushi, Aishe Ghazzaoui, Hope Tui, Tayla Haley, An Phan, Ariel Bangug.





Yarn Up participants

Tanesha and Miah

Yarn Up

By Miah Smith

On Monday the 10th of August myself, Tanesha Tobler, Mrs Low and Miss James appeared on the Channel 7 news. Well, we walked past the Channel 7 news studio while they were recording. We were attending Yarn Up, a public speaking forum for Aboriginal students. It was held in the Legislative Assembly at Parliament House in Sydney city.

Tanesha and I were chosen to give a 3 minute speech on any topic we wished. I chose to talk about a day in my life, while Tanesha spoke about Cathy Freeman. When we spoke into the microphone, we only faced one side of the room. It felt strange to do that because we could only see one half of the audience. Some of the students from other schools spoke about their lives and it made me grateful that I have such a good family.

Thank you to Mr Ralph for letting our school participate in Yarn Up 2015 and to Mrs Low and Miss James for taking Tanesha and I.

Stage 3 Spelling Bee Winners

By Aishe Ghazzaoui

Sadleir Public School's annual spelling bee competition was held on Wednesday the 19th of August. There were seven competitors in each year and only one winner. The stage 2 and 3 finalists will compete at district level in September. I asked our year 5 and 6 winners a few questions.

Jasmine, year 5 winner

How long did you practise for the spelling bee?

We had 2 weeks to practise so I practised every day.

How did you feel when you won?

I was shocked and surprised when I won and I'm very grateful.

Do you have any tips for winning?

I think the only way you can win is by practising hard and a bit of luck in the word you're given.

Mohammad, year 6 winner

How long did you practise for the spelling bee?

The entire time we were given but sometimes I had a little break.

How did you feel when you won?

I was very happy and surprised that I won, especially when I got to get a present, which was new clothes and a little party with lots of ice cream.



Stage 3 Spelling Bee winners

Jasmine Vongkhamchanh and Mohammed Al-Zahaowy



Mrs O'Grady dressed as Mary Poppins for Book Week

What students say

Mrs O'Grady is a very fun teacher. She is always happy and has a smile on her face. She is the best teacher at dressing up, I think she is amazing.

Katie Campbell, 2-6M



Mrs O'Grady is very good at costuming. My favourite costume that Mrs O'Grady wore was Mary Poppins for Book Week last year.

Jasmine Vongkhamchanh, 5/6L



Interview with Mrs O'Grady SLSO (Student Learning Support Officer) By Aishe Ghazzaoui

Mrs O'Grady is a fun, joyful teacher who is adored by teachers, parents and students. She works with Mrs Morabito in 2-6M and has worked at Sadleir Public School for ten years. She is well known for always having a smile on her face and wearing funny costumes.

Where were you born?

England.

Did you have any pets when you were growing up?

Yes, four Labradors named Bruno, Pebbles, Penny and Rostus.

Who were your best friends in school?

Unfortunately, I didn't have any best friends in primary school because I moved about seven times. In high school my best friends were Genevieve and Lisa and they are still my friends.

What are your favourite books?

Charlotte's Web by E.B. White and To Kill a Mocking Bird by Harper Lee.

What are your best and worst qualities?

Best: Understanding people and helping others.

Worst: Worrying too much.

What school did you go to?

I went to a primary school in England and from years 7-11 I went to Ashcroft High school. But in year 12 my parents couldn't afford to send me to school so I started working.

Do you have any sayings or expressions?

I have two sayings: the first one is "it doesn't matter what you do as long as you're doing your best"; my second one is "life is not a competition, beating others doesn't matter, it's about improving your own score."

Who was your favourite teacher?

In high school I had two favourite teachers: one of them was Mr Dawson, a history teacher; the other one was a maths teacher called Mr Simmons, he was the only teacher that explained maths properly so I could understand.

What was your first job?

As a teenager I did strawberry picking. Then when I turned 18 I worked as a telephonist with Medibank.

PSSA Girls Oztag Season 2 Report

Congratulations to our Senior and Junior Girls Oztag teams who are the Green Valley PSSA Premiers. Both teams remained undefeated throughout the season.

Our Senior team displayed amazing determination and spirit all season. They continued to build on their passing and kicking skills and proved that they are the masters of coming from behind and winning games in the final moments. They scored 34 tries and only had 15 scored against them this season. Their willingness to work as a team and support each other was amazing.

Our junior team were a force to be reckoned with. They scored 60 tries and only had 4 scored against them all season. They worked hard to spread out and not bunch up in attack and defence. Our speed, stepping and tagging skills were hard to match. With the majority of the team having never played oztag before they achieved outstanding results.

Both teams always displayed impeccable sportsmanship and behaviour and should be so proud of their achievements. Thank you to all the parents who came and supported the girls each week!



Junior Team: Faith, Caitlyn, Pearl, Layelle, Kristine, Yasmine, Ilesha, Tiana, Janna, Mariam, Asmet, Kandice.



Senior Team: Ripel, Raquel, Tanisha, Sabrina, Paradise, Amar, Tayla, Brianna, An & Omega.



Community Garden

As part of our Environmental Program we would like to establish a community garden. The purpose of this garden would be to:

Provide learning opportunities for all classes.

Establish a sustainable garden where food grown can be used by our canteen and the wider school community.

Provide an outdoor learning area which accommodates all children and their individual needs.

Encourage students to use a quiet, productive yet calm area in the school setting.

Experience hands on activities that cover all areas of the curriculum.

Provide opportunities for community sharing, from gardening knowledge to cultural recipes and food tastings.

If anyone is interested in assisting with this project please see Mrs O'Grady or Miss Yuen.



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