



# School Newsletter

19th December, 2018

## What's On!

### Wednesday Dec 19:

- Breakfast Club
- Last Day of School
- Year 6 Goodbye walk -  
2.30pm - school hall

### **NO CANTEEN WEEK 1-2 2019**

### Wednesday Jan 30:

- Breakfast Club
- Year 1– Year 6 students  
return
- Uniform store open

### Thursday Jan 31st:

- \* Breakfast Club
- Kindy students return as per  
scheduled times
- Uniform store open

### Friday Feb 1:

- \* Breakfast Club
- Uniform store open

## Principal Report

Dear Parents, carers and students,

Wednesday 19 December is the last day of the school year. Congratulations to our Year 6 students who will be leaving us and beginning their high school journey.

This year's year 6 have shown themselves to be highly collaborative and supportive of each other and there have been a number of impressive individual achievements.

Congratulations to all of the students who attended the Star Party and Gold Day excursion. A fantastic effort and we enjoyed acknowledging your efforts.

I wish all of you a very happy holiday break and hope that all our students return relaxed and ready to thrive next year. School returns on Wednesday 30 January 2019 for students in Year 1 to Year 6. Our new kindergarten students will begin on Thursday 31 January.

Regards  
Matthew Ralph  
Principal



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# Sadleir Public School

## 2019 Term Dates

### Term 1 – 31 January to 12 April

Monday, 28 January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Tuesday, 29 January	Professional Development Day – All Staff ( <i>Student Free Day</i> )
Wednesday, 30 January	Years 1-6 return to school
Thursday, 31 January	Kindergarten to start school ( please see the letter sent home for your start time)
Friday, 12 April	Last day of Term 1

### Term 2 – 29 April to 5 July

Monday, 29 April	Professional Development Day for staff ( <i>Student Free Day</i> )
Tuesday, 30 April	First day of Term 2 for students
Monday, 13 May - Friday, 17 May	NAPLAN test week
Monday, 10 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Friday, 5 July	Last day of Term 2

### Term 3 – 22 July to 27 September

Monday, 22 July	Professional Development Day for staff ( <i>Student Free Day</i> )
Tuesday, 23 July	First day of Term 3 for students
Friday, 27 September	Last day of Term 3

### Term 4 – 14 October to 20 December

Monday, 14 October	First day of Term 4
Wednesday, 18 December	Last day of Term 4 for students
Thursday, 19 and Friday, 20 December	Professional Development Days for staff ( <i>Student Free Days</i> )

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# SADLEIR PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,  
Please see below the requirements for students for 2019:

## Class requirements

- Glue stick
- Library bag
- 1 box of tissues
- Baby wipes
- Lead pencils, rubber and ruler, Red and Blue pens for Years 4-6 (Labelled with your child's name)
- Whiteboard markers (Labelled with your child's name)
- Paint Shirt
- Homework folder (To fit A4 size pages)
- Headphones/Ear buds (Non expensive to leave at school)

All items should be clearly labelled with your child's name. Each student in the class has their own tub where these items can be kept. A spare school hat in their tub is very useful when hats are left at home or misplaced. Scissors will be provided by the school so students are not to bring scissors to school. We have a limited supply of headphones available at school that can be purchased for \$10.00. Any enquiries please contact the office.

## Uniform

Lupco Fashions carry our stock for sale and you can purchase uniform from them before school returns in January. Lupco are located at 340 Hoxton Park Road, Prestons. Their telephone number is 96084653. They will charge the same price as our price list.

Uniforms are available through the office every day for the first 2 weeks. After that, the available days are Tuesday and Thursday mornings 8:30am - 9:00am or if you know what you want, you are also able to phone through orders and pick up at a later date.

We look forward to seeing you next year in your school uniform!

A reminder that a school hat,  
black shoes, the correct  
coloured socks and sports uniform are part of our school uniform expectations.



Summer Uniform



Sports Uniform



# JUST KIDDING

# TOY TESTING

Check out our Sadleir Public School student reviews in this issue of "Just Kidding" magazine



**FURREAL ROCK-A-TOO**  
The Rock-a-too, the Show Bird pet is here to entertain! With three modes of play, he's the perfect partner for a show that's full of songs, dances, and laughs. And with 50+ sound-and-motion combinations, he's ready to take over the stage. Of course, even a show-biz veteran likes to be petted and praised – pet his left cheek for a loveable response – and maybe even a kiss!

Tested by **Sadleir Primary School**  
This is a must for Christmas. Rock-A-Too is the coolest and wildest bird on the planet. He's so talkative and has his own amazing personality just like a real parrot. He now takes centre stage at our school!



**ROLLIE MY KISSING PUPPY**  
Rollie My Kissing Puppy is always pleased to see you! This adorable Shar Pei puppy looks so cute! Be ready for a kiss and a cuddle because this Lil' Pup likes to show how much they love you! Rollie licks just like a real puppy and show you affection! Press Rollie's nose and get ready for a lick! Rollie wags it's tail when it's happy! Then after a big day of fun Rollie closes its eyes to go to sleep! Rollie is just like a real puppy. All that's missing is a new best friend just like you!

Tested by **Sadleir Primary School**  
We loved Rollie. The best thing about him was how he scrunched up his face and licked just like a real Puppy. Rollie is now our new class pet...he is adorable.

**THE TRANSFORMERS TCG**  
Transformers TCG is a fast-paced trading card game for 2 players. Build your deck of Battle Cards, and



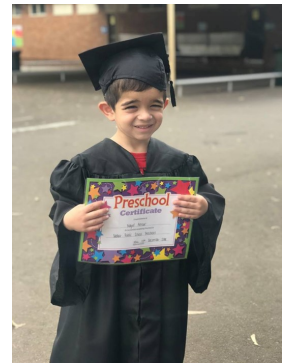
# Preschool News



This year at Sadlier Preschool has been a busy one. We have done so many wonderful things: school spectacular, school disco, art auction, jelly day, ice-cream day, attended assembly, order our lunch from the canteen, Easter hat parade, planted a vegie garden, raised money for various charities, completed school readiness activities with Miss Ellen and Miss Harriet, the living safely with dogs program, harmony day, science week, built many Lego towers, learnt about our school (grass, office, library, connected classroom and all other classrooms). We have created many beautiful master pieces at the craft table, read many stories, sung numerous songs and explored as much as we can.

Here are some of our achievements this year:

- we have made friends
- we have learnt everyone's names
- Learnt the expectations of preschool and more often than not follow them
- Learnt to successfully manoeuvre the bridge without fear
- established pencil grip
- transformed drawings from scribble to recognisable subjects
- Verbally recount stories and information
- Shared information
- Become leaders at different times
- Learnt to count backwards and forwards
- Follow patterns
- Identifying our feelings



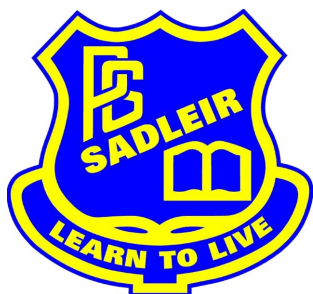
Thank you for  
wonderful year,  
see you in  
Kindergarten in 2019!





# Parent Excursion 2019





# School Uniforms

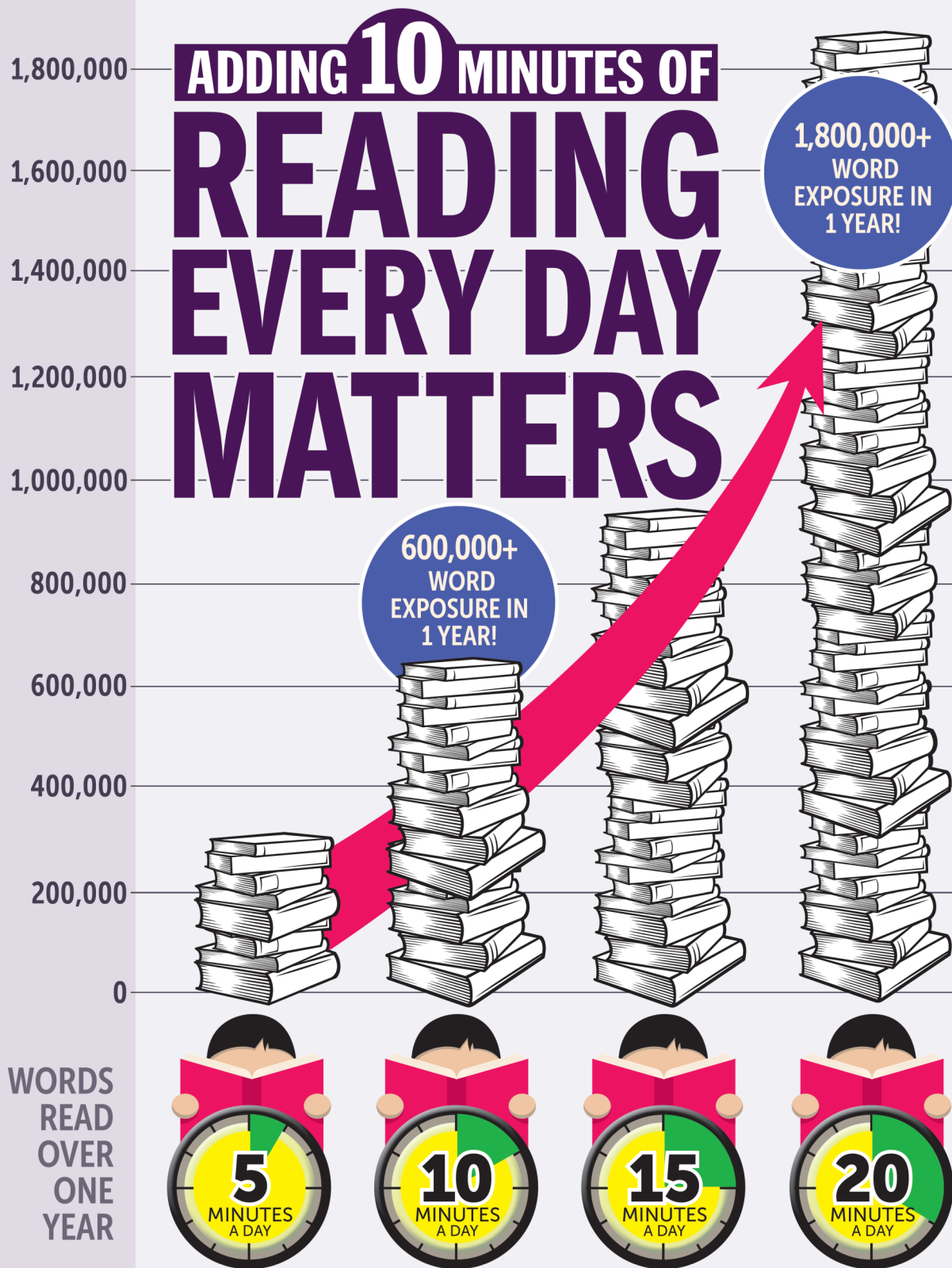
## 2019

Sadleir PS Uniforms shop will be open during the first 2 weeks of 2019 for new students to the school.

Please don't forget we also have a factory outlet that sells our uniforms. **Lupco Fashions** at **340 Hoxton Park Road Hoxton Park**. They will be open in the later weeks of the school holidays. Prices are the same as the school.







A COMPARISON OF YEAR 5 CHILDREN

Research shows us that the benefits of reading more improves performance in: general knowledge, vocabulary, reading comprehension, verbal fluency and spelling.

Cunningham and Stanovich (1998)

# Three Ways to Prevent Summer Slide



Many children, especially struggling readers, forget some of what they've learned, or slip out of practice during the summer holidays. Try these strategies to help your reader improve their reading during the school break:

**1. Six books to summer success:** Research shows that reading just six books during the summer may keep a struggling reader from regressing. When choosing the six, be sure that they are just right—not too hard and not too easy. Take advantage of your local library. Ask for help selecting books that match your child's age, interests, and abilities. Participate in a summer reading challenge that motivates kids to read, also check our book lists at [scholastic.com.au/summer](http://scholastic.com.au/summer) for recommendations.

**2. Read something every day:** Encourage your child to take advantage of every opportunity to read. Find these throughout the day:

*Morning:* The newspaper—even if it is just the comics or today's weather.

*Daytime:* Schedules, TV guides, magazines, online resources, etc. For example, if your child likes the Food Channel, help them look for a recipe on the network's web site—then cook it together for more reading practice.

*Evening:* End the day by having your child read to you from the book they are currently reading (one of the six books, above). Have them rehearse a paragraph, page, or chapter before reading to you. Rereading will help them be more fluent—able to read at an appropriate speed, correctly, and with nice expression.

**3. Keep reading aloud:** Reading aloud benefits all children and teens, especially those who struggle. One benefit is that you can read books your child can't, so they will build listening comprehension skills with grade-level and above books. This will increase their knowledge and expand their experience with text, so that they will do better when they read on their own.

It's hard to keep up a reading routine in a season packed with distractions and diversions. These suggestions will fit into a busy schedule and make reading fun!

Community  
Values



AWARD WINNERS

# Gold Party



On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, students from years K – 6 who have shown consistently exemplary behaviour throughout the year attended the Gold Party. These students have received at least 30 STAR awards each for demonstrating our community values of Responsible, Safe, Respectful, Learners.

Students from Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 attended Monkey Mania in Casula where they had great fun playing on the soft fall play equipment, on the slides, ball pits, and different equipment.

Years 3 to 6 visited Tree Tops, in the Western Sydney Parklands, where they experienced native wildlife whilst climbing through the tree tops. Students' resilience and teamwork were tested on different courses as they climbed over obstacles including rope ladders, zip lines, flying foxes, wobbly bridges and tunnels, and cargo nets.

Everyone had a great day and big thanks go to Mr Tran and Miss Walmsley for organising a fantastic celebration.



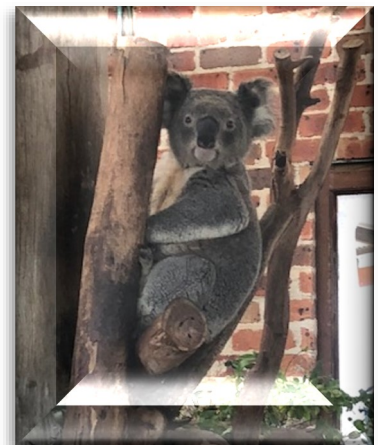


# Playgroup



Playgroup enjoyed their Christmas Party at Calmsley Hill City Farm. We met so many beautiful farm animals and enjoyed feeding the kangaroos and goats.

Playgroup would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a fun New Year.  
See you all in 2019!

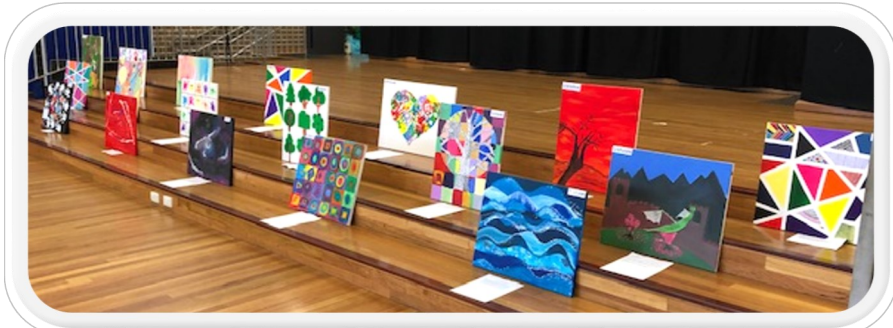






# ART

**AUCTION**



Congratulations to our students, staff and P&C for an amazing Art Auction. We had an incredible afternoon showcasing students' masterpieces. Thank you to Mrs Tsoukalas and the P&C for all your hard efforts in raising over \$3000 for our playground equipment. A big thank you to Mrs O'Grady for your Oscar winning performance and Mrs Morabito for putting together such a memorable afternoon. Thank you and congratulations to all of the parents and community members that bid and purchased some beautiful works of art and thank you for making our event such a success.





# GAME CHANGERS

**DOUBLE HEADER**

**SPECIAL TICKET OFFER \$15**

**PASSWORD: SHASHATI**



**SYDNEY KINGS VS MELBOURNE UNITED**

**SUNDAY 23RD DECEMBER**

**TIP OFF: 2:15PM**

**QUDOS BANK ARENA**





FAIRFIELD CITY MUSEUM & GALLERY

# January School Holiday Fun Program!

15 January to 25 January



**Tuesday 15th January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **WEAVE A WALL HANGING!**

A fun new workshop where children will make a simple loom and pick colours to weave; Hopefully as well as taking their creations home they will also be inspired to keep weaving!

**Ages:** 8 - 12 **Cost:** \$8 per participant

**Wednesday 16th January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **SUNFLOWER MASKS**

Summer, sunny, sunflowers! Design and create your own quirky sunflower in this mask-making workshop. Learn to design and then see your vision come to life!

**Ages:** 6+ **Cost:** \$8 per participant

**Thursday 17th January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **CEREAL BOX PUPPET MAKING!**

Come and craft a fun monster puppet using recycled cereal boxes which you can paint and decorate when you get home and maybe even put on a puppet show for your family!

**Ages:** 6 - 12 **Cost:** \$8 per participant

**Friday 18th January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **POTTERY ELEPHANT MAKING!**

Create a clay sculpture of an imaginative elephant using air-drying clay and pinch pot technique. Have fun naming your new pet when you get home!

**Ages:** 6 - 12 **Cost:** \$8 per participant



**Tuesday 22nd January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **SCI – FI CITY**

Flying cars? Floating skyscrapers? Giant robots? Inspired by science fiction movies, children will imagine the city of the future using drawing and collage.

**Age:** 7 – 12 **Cost:** \$8 per participant

**Wednesday 23rd January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **MAGIC LANTERNS**

Craft your very own magic lantern to light up those summer nights. Using paper and collage turn your lantern into a prickly cactus or make it a home for butterflies or dragonflies – the possibilities are endless!

**Ages:** 6 - 12 **Cost:** \$8 per participant

**Thursday 24th January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **RAINBOW CUPCAKES**

Who loves to have fun making things in the kitchen? Come and make some mouthwatering cupcakes that pop with rainbow colours!

**Age:** 6 - 12 **Cost:** \$8 per participant

**Friday 25th January | 10.30am – 12.00pm**

## **SUMMER COOKIES**

More cooking fun! Have fun making cookies and decorating with a summer beach scene.

**Age:** 6 - 12 **Cost:** \$8 per participant



**BOOKING CONDITIONS FOR WORKSHOPS:** Bookings on [eventbrite.com.au](https://www.eventbrite.com.au). Any cancellations made less than one week before workshop date will not be entitled to a refund. Payment is required to secure your place and must be received at least 24 hours before the workshop. No refunds for missed classes.



SCHOLASTIC  
SUMMER  
READING  
CHALLENGE

The theme of this year's program is **Chill Out and Read**, where children are encouraged to read for fun, read at their own pace and become immerse in books that interest them.

All students that returned their permission note have received a challenge folder to complete in the holidays.

Every student that returns their completed pack in 2019 to the office, will receive a certificate and prize from the school. The school has also entered students in the Scholastic draw and have a chance to win one of 30 Summer Fun Prize Packs!

**READ, READ, READ!**

