



Sadleir PS Newsletter

Week 5 25th February 2021

What's On!

- **March 9th**—Kindy STEPs vision screening
- **March 10th**—Student Parliament workshop 2
- **March 10th**—Stage 2 Symbio Wildlife Park Excursion
- **March 11th**—Selective High School Placement Test
- **March 18th**—P & C Meeting
- **March 23rd**—Preschool **Adventurers** STEPs vision screening.
- **March 23rd**—Year 6 GRIP Leadership Conference
- **March 24th**—Student Parliament workshop 3
- **March 25th**—Preschool **Explorers** STEPs vision screening.
- **March 25th**—Kindergarten Incursion
- **March 30th**—Stage 1 Excursion Wollongong Science Centre
- **Playgroup** is on every Wednesday at 9am.
- **PSSA Sport** is on every Friday.

Principal Report

Dear Parents and Carers

This week we commenced a major attendance project with a group of schools in the Liverpool area. The 'Every School Day Counts' project focuses on the importance of coming to school every day. A student who has 1 day off a fortnight (90% attendance) will miss 4 weeks of schooling by the end of the year. That is likely to have a negative impact on learning and progress. We have noticed that during wet weather and on hot days our attendance drops significantly. All our classrooms are air conditioned and students stay inside during wet weather and extreme heat.

As mentioned previously our school has received significant funds to run a tutoring program for students. This program is designed to provide intensive support to catch up any lost learning due to the 2020 Covid 19 disruptions. A group of stage 2 and 3 students are currently attending sessions 3 times a week. Year 6 students will be offered after school tutoring from the beginning of Term 2 and the support unit and K-2 program will begin later in the year. Mr Engesser has joined the tutoring team to provide additional expertise. Please contact me at school if you would like additional information.

Last week over 20 parents attended our first 2021 P&C meeting. It was fantastic to have everyone back on site and I look forward to working closely with the P&C this year.

Regards
Matthew Ralph



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EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight = **4** weeks  = Over **1** year missed



1 day per week = **8** weeks   = Over **2.5** years missed





Expected
Attendance



Minimum
Standard



Unacceptable
Attendance

We're focused on helping
our students come to
school EVERYDAY



Checking



Calling



Caring



K Blue

We have been busy learning and having
fun in our first few weeks of school!



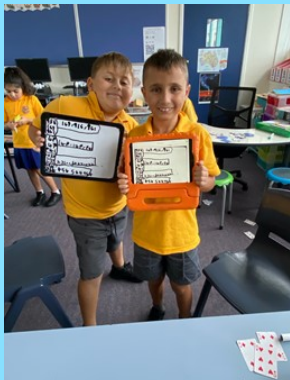
3 Sapphire



In 3 Sapphire, students have been learning to give each other constructive feedback! They have done this through the use of technology and giving verbal feedback. Students are learning to self-assess their work and reflect on theirs and others' learning. 3 Sapphire are beginning to use Seesaw to upload photos of their learning. They scan QR codes that are placed around the room and navigate to the Class Journal which shows all their work!



In Maths, 3 Sapphire are participating in hands-on lessons, using a variety of resources to solve number problems. Students have used dice and cards to create 3, 4 and 5-digit numbers and ordered them in ascending and descending order. These are also uploaded onto our Seesaw journal! We can't wait to see our Journal grow!



K-6 Peach



Over the last two weeks students in K-6 Peach have been busy working, building and creating. Writing and sharing stories about what we have made. We have had Reverse Garbage visit us and tell us about recycling and reusing, attended the Boating incursion and used all different materials to build simple structures that are tall, small and go over other things.



Thursday 4th March
9.05am-10.00am
Connected Classroom
E Block

Our P&C AGM is primarily held to elect a new P&C Committee for 2021. The roles that will be up for election are:

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, 4 x Executives, Auditor and Canteen Manager.

Roles and Responsibilities of each position have been sent out with details of the AGM.

Only financial P&C members are eligible to stand, be elected to a position as well as vote.

To become a financial P&C member, a membership fee of \$1 must be paid prior to the AGM.

Why Join the P&C?

Giving an hour or two of your time once a month has a huge impact on our school and your child. It is a great place to meet new people and create long lasting friendships.

Your children will like that you are involved in their school life, and absolutely love seeing you helping out at the occasional stall, event or working bee.

Being part of a team that can help improve our school and its facilities is very rewarding.

Our school is a richer place for the contributions of parents & our community



PSSA is BACK!



PSSA kicked off last week for the first time in over a year.

In season one we will be sending three teams-

- ♦ Girls Soccer
- ♦ Boy's Softball
- ♦ Mixed Newcombe



Thank you to all students who trialled and congratulations to those students who were selected for the teams.

Just a reminder that training is every Friday at 8.15am and sport is \$6 a week.

Please note due to Covid safety protocols parents/guardians are unable to attend PSSA games.

YARNING CIRCLE



This week our Aboriginal Garden and Yarning Circle has been getting some welcome additions! Working with a notable Aboriginal Artist Michael, some of our Stage 2 and 3 students helped with the painting .



Library News



Library Lessons with Miss Malone

In Term 1, each class visits the library for 1 hour on a weekly basis. During the weekly library lesson, students develop their love for reading through engaging in quality up-to-date books and borrowing from our vast collection of fiction and non-fiction books.

Every week a student brings a library bag to their lesson, they will receive a rocket award. We have Sadleir Public School library bags for sale at the office for \$9.00. Students can also use a plastic bag as a library bag. Using a library bag ensures our wonderful books are being protected when they are taken home for the week.

Lunchtime in the library

Every day Monday to Friday the library is open at lunchtime for students. The library is a quiet space for students to read, draw, borrow books and develop their social skills.



TERM 1 LIBRARY DAYS WITH MISS MALONE

Remember to bring your books
and library bag!

MONDAY

1/2 Mauve, K Green, 4 Sage, 5 Teal

TUESDAY

K/1 Navy, 1/2 Saffron, K Blue

WEDNESDAY

3 Sapphire, 3/4 Jade, 6 Magenta, 4/5 Indigo

THURSDAY

6 Olive, 3/6 Emerald

FRIDAY

2 Gold

2021 Library Leaders



A huge congratulations to our library leaders for 2021! Our library leaders for 2021 are:

4/5 Indigo	5 Teal	6 Magenta	6 Olive	3/6 Emerald
Calvin	Khaled Lilly Suad Carmelo	Katrina Kruize Daniel Elana	Isaac	Bastian Yaamin

In week 5, the students began the training process of becoming a leader within the library environment. Miss Malone introduced the important role to our new team of students and they eagerly began practising the skills for their up and coming library duty at lunch time.





FIRST FOOT FORWARD



What does First Foot Forward offer?

First Foot Forward supports schools and families by providing students in years 5 and 6 with an opportunity to gain a greater understanding of their higher education options. By working with students early on in their schooling journey, it is anticipated that they will recognise the need to take a more diligent approach to their studies and therefore gain the most out of their education.

First Foot Forward is working with 58 primary schools and over 5,500 stage 3 students across Western Sydney. The students will be exposed to 10 different career workshops. All workshops are aligned to stage 3 curriculum and are designed to give students a greater insight into potential areas of study and careers. When the students visit the university, they are provided transport, a Western cap and water bottle.

Parent Online Application Form

The First Foot Forward program is a government-funded program. A requirement of ongoing participation in the program is to provide accurate information regarding students and parents. This year the Parent/Student form can be accessed online.

[Parent/Student Application Form](#)



In-School Workshop

The one hour in-school workshop focuses on study and career areas that the university offers. The workshop also focuses on students, their interests, and potential career possibilities. In 2021, the First Foot Forward team will introduce courses and careers in the field of Sustainability through hands on activities and will identify the importance of renewable energy in today's world.

On-Campus University Day

On-campus events are designed to give students a greater understanding of higher education and exposure to university life. This includes familiarisation with one of the university campuses. Students participate in 3 career workshops. In 2021, the three workshops will be Coding and Robotics, Health and Sport and Nursing.

High School Transition

The High School Transition online workshop is presented to the student's classroom in a virtual, online format. The workshop aims to assist year 6 students ease into high school and will provide tips, advice and an insight into what students can expect in year 7.



Leadership

The Leadership online workshop is another one of First Foot Forward's live workshops. This workshop will focus on the importance of being a leader, identifying who our leaders are, and what we define as a good leader. Leadership is a valuable quality to possess and students are encouraged to always work on these skills to develop their leadership qualities.

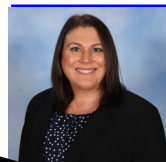
Online Hub

Along with the face-to-face and live workshops, students also have access to an online hub of activities to work through at any time. Some of the resources available on the online hub are First Foot Forward Highlights, What to Expect workshop and a What is University? workshop. These short webinars are available to give teachers, students and parents a deeper understanding of the First Foot Forward program.

The link to our online hub can be found below.

[EEE Online](#)

[Western Sydney University](#)



Information for our Year 5 and Year 6 Mainstream Parents regarding a program opportunity!

Sadleir PS Messages



Reminder to bring your hat to school everyday and wear it when in the playground!

School Planning

This week all the Executive staff have been working hard on writing our new school plan for 2021-2024. Lots of exciting new initiatives for us all at Sadleir PS over the coming year!

