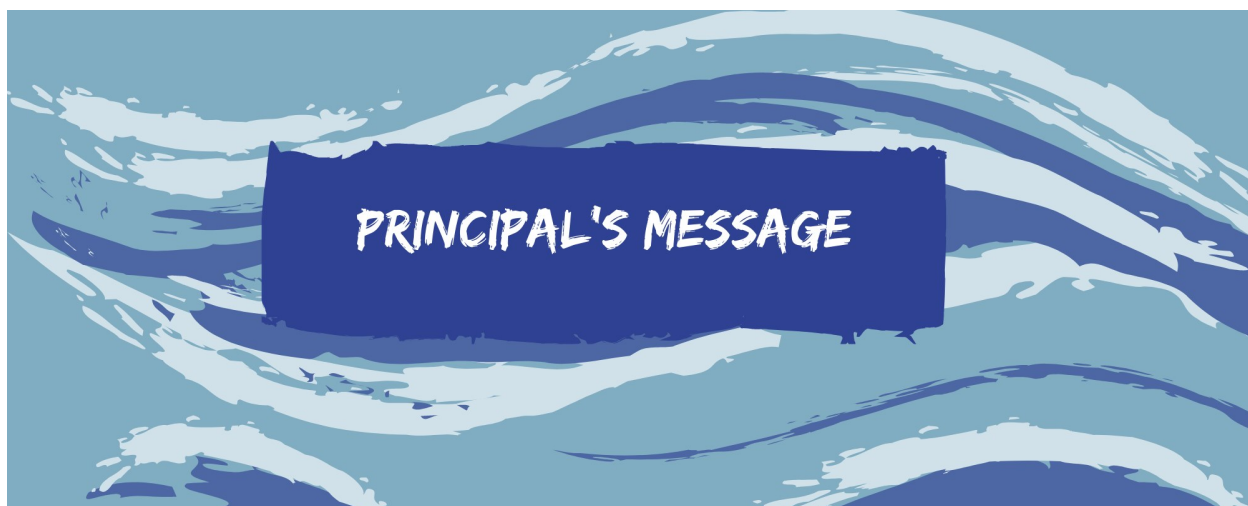




Week 8, Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,



Welcome to our new look newsletter. We hope you like the new format. I would like to thank our wonderful school community for your patience shown during this time when parents and families are not able to come into the school grounds. This week we will be launching our SENTRAL Parent Portal App that will be used for newsletter uploads, communicating absences and instant notifications. Please look out for further information on how to register for this app.

We have recently installed a sensory zone play area for our students which provides hands-on fun for our students.



STUDENT ART WORK

You may have also noticed our student art work displayed on the school gates, sending messages of thanks and gratitude during what has been a challenging time for all. Every student in the school contributed to this artwork and reflected on what they are thankful for, what they missed, who has been special and what made them feel happy or loved.



SAFE DRIVING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Further to the reminders from last week with regards to dangerous driving around the school, please see the link provided which provides fact sheets that highlight the importance of road safety and road rules. We urge parents to put the safety of our children first and refrain from illegal stopping and illegal U-Turns within school zones. The fact sheets provided on the link come in various languages to assist our school community.

<https://www.cumberland.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-resources>

MORNING DROP OFF

It would be helpful for all concerned, if parents using the kiss and drop zones to drop children off were ready. This means children are seated where possible on the left-hand side of the car with their bags in their lap ready to jump out. Whilst the signage does show an adult assisting by opening the door of the car, it would speed up the process if children knew what to do and were ready. Also, it would speed traffic up if parents exiting the zone, drove straight ahead rather than try to U-turn.

TEACHER COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

Our teachers are busy teaching and assessing their students. As you have learnt, this is a full-time task, leaving little time for other things. Our teachers get 2 hours per week free from face to face teaching for lesson preparation and responding to parent questions. Unlike the remote learning platforms during COVID-19, our teachers are unable to respond to your questions as quickly as they were previously. We seek your understanding and patience. Our teachers will respond to your questions as soon as they can.

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

Our teachers have been supporting all students to re-learn our school expectations. They have been conducting playground tours reminding children of where and how to play safely and cooperatively, how to wear their school uniform with pride and the importance of relationships. Teachers have prioritised wellbeing lessons on gratitude and optimistic thinking. As children begin to resettle into school, our teachers are also looking for evidence of learning. We realise that for some students the absence from school may have had an impact on learning and it is our priority to ensure that any gaps are identified and corrected.

STUDENT ABSENCE

As previously advised, we would request that if your child is unwell that they remain at home. If your child is identified as being unwell whilst at school, the office will make contact with you to come and collect your child.

YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS

Opportunity classes can provide intellectual stimulation by grouping together high potential and gifted students who may otherwise be isolated from a suitable peer group. These classes exist in a limited number of schools across the state. Interested students will sit an entry exam and if successful will usually have to leave their current school to enrol in a school with an opportunity class for Years 5 and 6.

This year, alternate timeframes and arrangements to test students have been made. If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2021, you need to apply between **Tuesday 9 June** and **Friday 26 June 2020**.

A new test date is set for **Wednesday 16 September 2020**.

You will need to access the online application at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

You must not use the child's email address.

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Principal

Week 7 Awards



K-2 CLASS BRONZE AWARDS

Week 7, Term 2

KINDERGARTEN

KB - Neil
KD - Avaani
KFH - Saeed
KG - Yuvaan
KH - Anya
KK - Alaya
KL - Kellai
KM - Mahar
KS - Shaham
KT - Hassan

YEAR 1

1A - Divam
1GF - Sarah
1H - Hafsa
1K - Avikaar
1L - Siddhu
1M - Ayanna
1S - Carrie

YEAR 2

2A - Ahi
2J - Alicia
2M - Eric
2N - Angela
2R - Muhadesa
2S - Rihanna
MCS - Gani

3-6 CLASS BRONZE AWARDS

Week 7, Term 2

YEAR 3

3B - Daniel
3J - Pehr
3L - Troy
3T - Aarna

YEAR 5

5C - Shakeba
5J - Tahlai
5S - Manikka
5T - Tanush

YEAR 4

4A - Zeinab
4H - Sila
4M - Anniyah
4Z - Karthik

YEAR 6

6E - Yousef
6J - Aaliyah
6P - Whitney
MCW - Yahya



PWPS COMMUNITY NEWS

Nutrition Snippet



Let the kids choose and cook (or help cook) a healthy recipe. They will be sure to eat their own creations.

Check out the website for lots of quick and easy recipes.

healthylunchbox.com.au



Cancer Council
Healthy Lunch Box