



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

STUDENT Events

Week 10 NAIDOC
Week

Friday 30th June—Last
day of Term 2

Tuesday 18th July

Students return Term 3

P&C Meeting

27th June 11:45

FRS Meeting Room

Save the date!

***Out of the Blue Art
exhibition**

5th-18th September

***Post school options
bus trip for parents of
years 11 & 12.**

Tues 8th August

**More information to
follow**

Dipping Birds

We would like to share some very exciting news! Our sensory room project manager and lighting artist extraordinaire, Lucka Slatner, has kindly donated her lighting installation from this year's Vivid festival. Lucka designed her installation around an old fashioned toy from years gone by. It was a tiny bird that you'd place on the rim of your glass and it would bob and dip its beak into the water pretending to drink. This idea was scaled up immensely to create two large birds 2.5 metres tall that bob into a pool of light. This was installed in the Botanic Gardens. You may have seen it if you attended the festival this year. We will be installing this wonderful installation over the coming weeks! Fisher Road School would like to sincerely thank Lucka for her generosity!



'Together we can'

Principals News

The car park has had a few changes to make it safer for our students, staff and school community. Pedestrian crossings have been painted in 2 areas of the car park. Please do not park over them when waiting to drop off or pick up students. Students have



opportunities to practise road crossing skills in a safe environment.



I would like to thank all the staff, students, parents and carers for all of their support whilst I have been relieving Principal.

Arianne McCombie

Professional Development

Recently, Representatives from The Aboriginal Education Team went to a Koori Classroom workshop at Homebush. The Team will be presenting a session at staff professional learning in week 10. The focus will be on the many different ways that Aboriginal Education can be implemented into learning and assessment at Fisher Road School. From the school environment and community links; to policies, programming and classroom activities as examples of how to acknowledge Aboriginal culture across all key learning areas. The Koori Classroom workshop was a valuable experience and members enjoyed tasting the bush tucker;



Class JO

Jen and Carmel

Class JO would like to share some information and photos about our hydrotherapy lessons. We love going down to the pool each Monday and Friday to spend time in the warm water and stretch out our bodies. We spend time 'sea weed-ing', which is a stretch technique used in the water. We move the students bodies from side to side as they float on their back. It is a relaxing and extremely beneficial movement that all the students enjoy.



Class VR

Virginia, Donna and Wendy

Our 'Fun Friday' session last week involved the students making a blow-up 'High 5' toy. This activity was fun but also provided valuable communication, fine motor and math opportunities for our students. They followed instructions and, where possible, independently used their fine motor skills to put the toy together. The numbers 1 to 5 were written on the fingers of the glove, a hole was made in the cup and a straw then inserted into the hole. The students then took a deep breath and blew into the straw to inflate the glove and touched their hands and were encouraged to say "high five". Phoenix practised his communication skills further by demonstrating the toy to the other junior classes. Taking deep breaths to blow through a straw can have calming effects on the body and is a valuable skill to practise with our students.



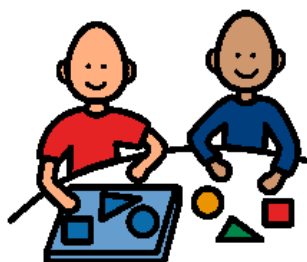
Key Word sign
"blow"



Class NS

Nick and Alena

It has been yet another exciting and action filled term in Class NS. The students have all given 100% in their various school activities during this time, and I have observed good progress in a number of activities, such as swimming (PDHPE), bike riding (Geography), communication (English), cooking (Science) and many others. In the photos below, you can see the students in Class NS involved in some of their individual and group activities.



Class CW

Caroline and

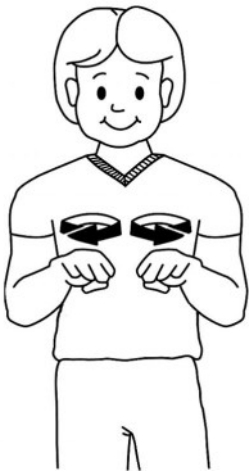
Jenny

On Monday mornings, students in Class CW have been taking turns to have one on one swimming lessons with instructor, Jane. Andrew and Charlie's confidence in the water is growing and they are now working towards swimming short distances of up to 2 meters without a flotation device, and holding onto the side of the pool. Riley has been working on the rhythm of kicking alternate feet by counting.....1,2,3,4 and moving his arms in the water. Henry and Arun have been practising floating on their back as a survival skill. Lachlan Briggs has been learning to kick and move his arms out of the water. The highlight for Lachlan is jumping into the deep end with some help and swimming across the pool independently. An object of reference is used for the transition to the swimming pool and key word sign for swim and kick.



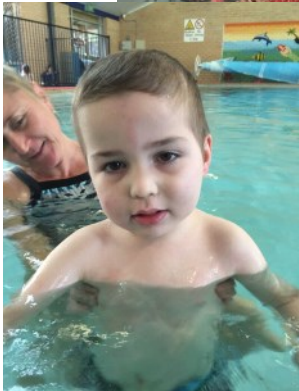
Class SH

Sam, Kari and
Rosie



Swimming is one of our favourite weekly activities! Class SH enjoys two hydrotherapy sessions per week and during our time in the pool

we swim, walk, float, kick, splash and blow bubbles. We use swimming aids and floating devices to help support our bodies as we move through the water. Our pool sessions help to strengthen our muscles, relax our bodies and improve our confidence in the water.



Thank you!

We would like to pass on a huge "thank you" to the generous and kind people from the Inner Wheel Northern Beaches who have kindly donated some money to purchase a switch toy.

These toys are vital for the development and learning of our students. They provide a platform for fun exploration while helping to build fine motor skills. The new toy we have chosen is called the 'Bubble Busy Box' and is brightly coloured with a bunch of switches and buttons to push, which activate lights, vibration and music.



OUT OF THE BLUE

Fisher Road School has been invited by The Beach School to be involved in a student art exhibition called Out Of The Blue. The exhibition is in collaboration with Arranounbai School, Naremburn School, Stewart House and The Beach School. We are planning a number of art installations one of which will be made from recycled materials. Many of our community members have been sending in bottle tops which will be used in this installation and the artwork will be constructed using a whole school approach. Creative Arts classes have been sorting the bottle tops into colours, work skills classes are using a hand drill and leather punch to make holes in the bottle tops and a variety of junior and senior classes will be stringing the tops together to make hanging artworks.



Another installation will involve digital photographs which our students have been taking using an iPad camera and then manipulating the image on an iPad using the Colour Splurge™ App. Students who are excellent at paint smearing techniques will be working together on a canvas

painting using overlaid shades of blue and turquoise to reflect the concept of water. Also, a deconstructed surfboard sculpture will be decorated using overlaying techniques as an exciting inclusion in this exhibition.



A dedicated team of staff members are working toward bringing together an interesting and varied display of our students' artistic abilities to be showcased at the Warringah Creative Space over a two week period in September. There will be a student opening BBQ on Thursday, September 7th and a Community Opening on Friday 8th September. We look forward to providing further information regarding this exhibition at the

start of term 3.

The Student Art Exhibition Team.

NEWS FLASH

The school now has second hand uniforms for sale. Please come into the office if you would like to purchase anything. All articles \$5 each.

School messages



From each book purchased our school receives a percentage of the sale. Please let your colleagues, friends and family know that books can be purchased from our office.

**Available
now**

Post School Options

The end of year 12 and a student's final year of school can be a big adjustment for both the student and their families. Being prepared, and knowing what options are out there in the community can help make the transition process run as smoothly as possible. It is important to start researching and planning when your child is in the senior years of school, before they reach the end of year 12. There are many options available, depending upon if your child will be accessing supported employment, community participation, or both. In each of our newsletters, we will be providing a link to a post school option agency, so you can see what is available. We are in the process of organising our bus trip for parents, which will be early in term 3, where we will visit four agencies. This will be open to parents of years 11 and 12 students. More information will follow.

Class RP

Staff: Rebecca, Sue M & Ebony



What rock stars! We've had lots of Friday fun this term singing and dancing after roll call. Ed-die's favourite song to clap along to has been 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams.



We're so proud of our students and the great progress they have all made in their eating programs. A special mention to Kyle who is now using his spoon to eat his lunch with minimal assistance.

Class RP has also been doing so well at getting on-to the bus for our weekly excursion to Billarong Reserve. They are excellent travellers on the bus and enjoy having a walk and eating their morning tea at the park.



Weaving Bridges project

Classes have started making weavings to contribute to the large scale art installation at the Stuart Somerville Bridge, Queenscliff for the Guringai Festival, 2017. Students have been participating in a hula hoop or CD weaving technique. The project offers opportunities for students to acknowledge Aboriginal culture and learn other concepts such as 'over and under' in weaving. The launch of the installation is on Tuesday, July 4th from 10:30am – 12:20pm at Queenscliff Surf Life Saving Club .



Class TH

Staff: Trish, John & Justine

Class TH has been enjoying music therapy this term. They have been introduced to a variety of instruments such as the didgeridoo, accordion and the electric guitar. Lachlan and Jonathan have fun experimenting with the didgeridoo. They loved the vibration and the different sounds that it made. James always enjoys the opportunity to beat on the drums. Dylan likes to strum on the electric guitar, and enjoys choosing smaller instruments such as the small bells. Music is a strength for Jake. He enjoys engaging with all the instruments and sings the farewell song well.

Class TH always looks forward to music therapy.



Class JK

Staff: Fran, Kari & Mandy

Class JK have been working very hard this term, so it was nice to let our hair down and help celebrate 2 birthdays recently.

Kane turned 17 and Hannah 18.

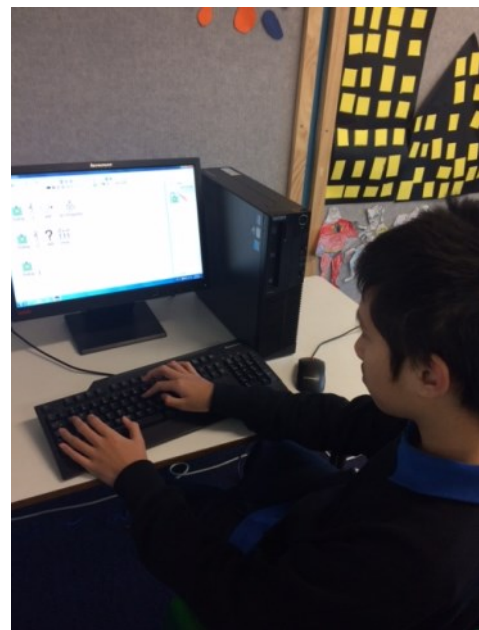
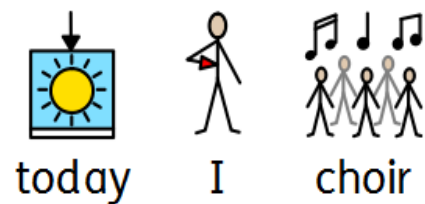
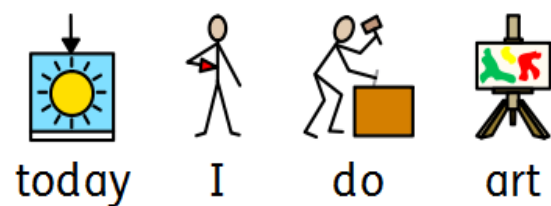
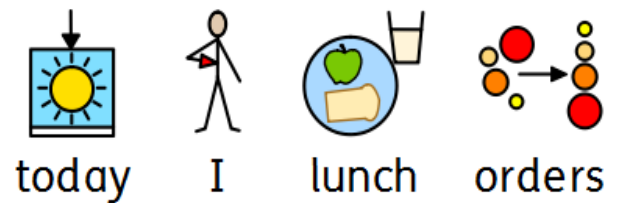
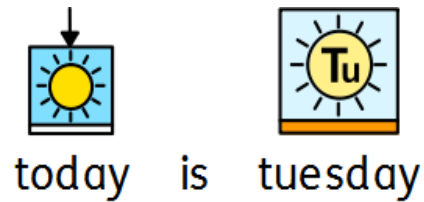
We enjoyed decorating our room, eating delicious cakes, noisy party poppers, dancing and generally celebrating with our classmates.



Class SB

Staff: Sally & Sue W

Class SB have had a busy, fun filled term 2. We cant believe how fast it has flown! Students in our class always do a daily PECS schedule. We often reinforce this with a cutting and pasting timetable activity. This term we have been focusing on a computer program called *SymWriter*. You can see an example to the right which Andy wrote independently. The students are learning to type and find the keys independently. We are also encouraging news writing and some story writing on the program. You can see us exploring different environments such as picture below to start the process of creative writing and give students ideas to expand on and explore. We look forward to further investigating this great computer tool.

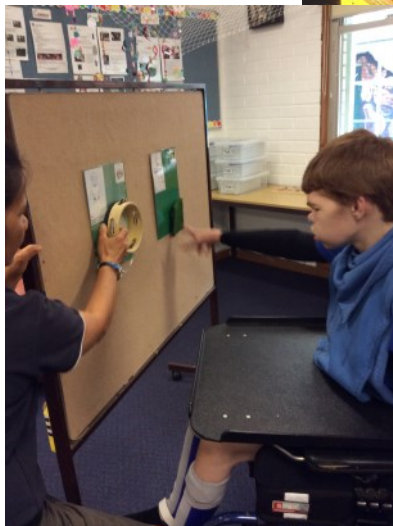


Henry using SymWriter

Class MP

Staff: Maria and Sue R

Term 2 has given us so much to celebrate. Mai, Laragh, Gwyneth, Connor and Nathaniel have all achieved success in areas of communication, self care, technology, health and well-being, social and aspects of behaviour. They all use the PECS protocol, photo symbols or gestures to communicate their needs and wants. Some can also respond to a simple Yes/No question, follow a simple request or command, perform a task that requires minimal or no assistance. In whatever we do in class, Maia, Laragh, Gwyneth, Connor and Nathaniel always try their best to perform.



Nathaniel using object of reference for his time-table

Visual supports used to support students



Laragh listening to the music therapist for instruction



Maia working-so hard to touch the switch



**Northern Beaches ADHD Support Group
Speaker Evening with Dr Rosalba Courtney**

**Breathing & Sleep:
How improving these helps your child's brain,
nervous system & behaviour!**



Tuesday 25th July @ 6.45pm

For more information or to book visit
www.northernbeachesadhdsupportgroup.com.au

BARRY LEEF AND FRIENDS SUPPORT

Dalwood Spilstead

Dine ★ **Dance** ★ **Donate**

FEATURING

The Barry Leef Band

with Peter Northcote

**Sat
24 June**

2017

6.30pm

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\$80 per person: Includes dancing, fantastic prizes, raffles and gourmet dinner.

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The Dalwood Spilstead Service provides a unique program which is renowned for its work in assisting children who have had disrupted development, trauma or abuse in the early years. All monies go towards therapy services for the children and their families.

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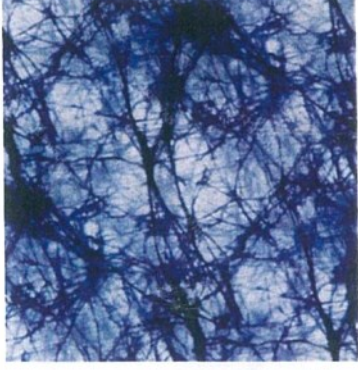
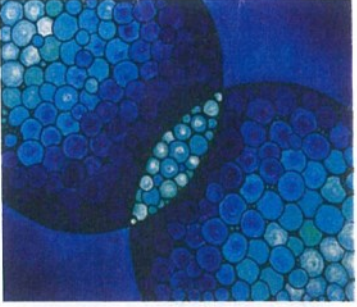
Student Art Exhibition

5th Sept

till

18th Sept

2017



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Please SAVE THE DATE and start programming for this upcoming 2 week collaborative exhibition for SSP's at 'Warringah Creative Space' Gallery, co-ordinated by The Beach School.

Register your **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** to

Kara.garrett@det.nsw.edu.au

By 31st March 2017

GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

Mobile Blood Service visiting: **Dee Why Surf Club**

Dee Why Beach, The Strand

Tuesday 20 June	1.30pm – 6.30pm
Wednesday 21 June	9.00am – 2.00pm
Thursday 22 June	1.00pm – 6.00pm
Friday 23 June	9.00am – 2.00pm
Saturday 24 June	9.00am – 2.00pm

Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

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