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Term 2 – Week 10 (1<sup>st</sup> July 2022)



## Dates for the Diary

JULY		AUGUST	
1 July	Last Day of Term 2	2 August	Spelling Bee Competition Final
18 July	School Development Day	5 August	Keep Concord PS Clean-Up Day (SRC)
19 July	K-6 students return to school	8 August	K-6 Assembly, 2:30pm
20 July	Athletics Carnival, St Lukes Oval	26 August	Daffodil Day (SRC)
28 July	OC Placement Test		



# Principal's Message

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

## **Thank you to the Parents/Carers of the Inclusive Classes**

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to thank all the parents/carers of the Inclusive Classes who prepared a beautiful morning-tea for the staff at Concord Public School. The food and its presentation were nothing short of spectacular, brightening up our staffroom. We are incredibly thankful for your gestures of appreciation and for the time taken to organise, cook and prepare this very special morning-tea for us.



## **New Asphalt & Drain**

Thank you for your patience during the recent resurfacing of the below section of the playground. The work was completed ahead of schedule and will now allow water to run into a newly installed drain, preventing large puddles of water from forming.



## **New roof for the Gardiya Building**

You may have noticed new scaffolding along the perimeter of the Gardiya Building. This is in preparation for the work that will take place in the school holidays. The entire roof of the Gardiya Building will be replaced by contractors engaged by the Department of Education. It is anticipated that the work will be finished in time for the commencement of Term 3.

## **Toilet Refurbishment**

The recent upgrade of the abandoned toilet block at the northern end of the school is now complete. We are now waiting for the handover to take place between the contractors and the Department of Education. Once this is done, the children will be able to use the toilets. We anticipate that the toilets will be ready for use in Week 1, Term 3.

# Principal's Message, continued

## Semester 1 Reports

On Wednesday, the teachers issued the Semester 1 Reports. Please take the time to read through the report, acknowledge your child's achievements and discuss their areas of growth. Teachers across the school encourage the students to apply a growth mindset to their learning. It encourages all children to believe that they can achieve, even if they have not achieved a particular area of their learning, **yet**. For no matter whether your child has achieved **basic, sound, high** or **outstanding**, students can show elements of growth. As educators, we strive to have all our students work towards their full potential and this potential varies from student to student. Please be mindful that **sound is the expected level for your child's stage**. Please also take the time to acknowledge and discuss the effort scale with your child. This gives you an indication of their application and how hard they have worked at school across all Key Learning Areas. If you would like further information about your child's progress during Semester 1, please make an appointment to see the class teacher.

## Annual Report, 2021

The 2021 Annual Report for Concord Public School is now available to the community on the school's website. This is an annual report that involves the school reflecting and making assessments of our ongoing progress towards our strategic directions, as identified in the Strategic Improvement Plan. Here is the link:

[https://reports.sparo.schools.nsw.gov.au/annual-report/2021/1607/2021 Concord Public School Annual Report.pdf](https://reports.sparo.schools.nsw.gov.au/annual-report/2021/1607/2021%20Concord%20Public%20School%20Annual%20Report.pdf)

## New Flagpoles

After many years of planning and a strong proposal from our 2021 School Captains and Vice-captains, our school now has 3 flagpoles at the northern end of our school, proudly flying the Aboriginal flag, the Australian flag and the Torres Strait Islander flag. Thank you to Anuka S., Dionn N., Harrison H. and Alexis E. for helping this dream become reality.



## Thank you!

As Term 2 draws to a close, I would like to acknowledge you, our parents and carers, for your extraordinary efforts, ensuring the continuity of learning for our students. Many families have faced illnesses related to COVID-19 and/or the flu, as have many of our staff. Yet the school remained open and teaching and learning, including the wellbeing of all our students, continued to be key priorities. I would also like to thank our staff and our students for their resilience as we all continue to juggle our many responsibilities, and at times our adversities, whether at home or at school. Please remember that we are only a phone call away if you need support in any way. I'm incredibly proud of our school spirit. You only have to look at the smiles on our students' faces and the dedication of our staff to realise just how this spirit resonates within everyone.

# Principal's Message, continued

Happy holidays! Stay safe, stay well, and enjoy your time with family and loved ones! See you all in Term 3!

**Anna Vountoulas**  
**Principal**  
**Concord Public School**



## Term 3 Assembly Dates

The Assembly dates for Term 3 - 2022 are now scheduled for:

**Week 4 – Monday, 8 August** at 2:30pm via Zoom.

**Week 9 – Monday, 12 September** at 2:30pm via Zoom

Links to each event will be sent out before the date.

## Principal's Awards / Pennant Process



**Three Class Awards = 1 Principal's Award**

**Three Principal's Awards = 1 Principal's Pennant**



**Note:** Class Awards and/or Principal's Awards must be handed to the front office 2 days prior to the date of Assembly

# Cross Country Carnival Results 2022

Kindergarten	Placings	Girls	Boys
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Aurora F	Zakaria M
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	A F	Ro'mell R-W
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Maisie R	Oscar S
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Kimiya T	Jensen B

Year 1	Placings	Girls	Boys
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Kenza M	Cooper C
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Matilda S	Teddy E
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Caoilfhionn P	Leo H
	4 <sup>th</sup>	April H	Branko T

Year 2	Placings	Girls	Boys
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Tahlia M	Isaac W
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	A F	Jayden Y
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	S M	Thomas X
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Hermeslla M	Jeshvik P

8+ Years	Placings	Girls	Boys
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Isabella S	N M
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mia N	Sampson C
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Laraib K	Alex K
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Henley T	Hamoudi H







# Cross Country Carnival

## K-2 and Inclusive Classes



On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of June the sun was shining and we were able to hold our *CPS Cross Country Carnival* for all the students across K-2 and the Inclusive Classes. At 9:20am we gathered underneath the Cola for the special event. There was 100% participation from all the students on the day. Mr. Crisafulli and Mr. Destefano organised a brilliant 2 lap track for us to follow all around the perimeter of the school grounds. We were so lucky to have 3/4T join us for the morning. 3/4T were fabulous rolemodels and took their responsibility seriously. Each student was marshalled at set positions around the track and helped all the students around the track.



Thank you to all the parents who attended the morning. Thank you Mr. Crisafulli and Mr. Destefano for all your preparation behind the scenes and on the day. Thank you Mrs. Posavac for all your expertise on the First Aid Station.

Well done to every single student on their phenomenal efforts. Here are a few snapshots of the special morning.







# Cross Country Carnival

## K-2 and Inclusive Classes



Congratulations  
Kindergarten!



Congratulations  
Year 1!



Congratulations  
Year 2, Hermeslla  
and Sarah!



Congratulations  
Over 8's!





# Inclusive Classes

## Cross Country Carnival



On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of June we *all* hit the Cross Country Carnival track at CPS. Every single student managed to do one or two laps of the course specially set out by Mr.Crisafulli and Mr. Destefano. Every single staff member was on the move during the morning session to ensure all our students made it around the track. We were so grateful to have 3/4T join us on the day. A big thank you to all of 3/4T for marshalling the track and for helping some of our students around the perimeter of the school. A special mention to Abigail, Sarcha, Jacinta and Marcus for doing multiple runs with our students.

A special thank you to *Mr.Crisafulli, Mr. Destefano, Miss Ann, Miss Nina, Miss Gaya and Miss Katerina* for all their help, guidance and athletic skills on the morning.

Well done to every single student for their tenacity, grit and persistence on the day. You are all **champions!**



Please note: We apologise as we do not have every single student's photo as we were running with the students on the day.





# Inclusive Classes

## Cross Country Carnival







# Inclusive Classes

## STREAM Weeks 8-10

During Weeks 8-10 this term Miss Asli inspired us all to put our thinking hats on during STREAM lessons. We investigated birds nests, bees and salt dough. Check out our latest snapshots of our students designing their own plans and creations.

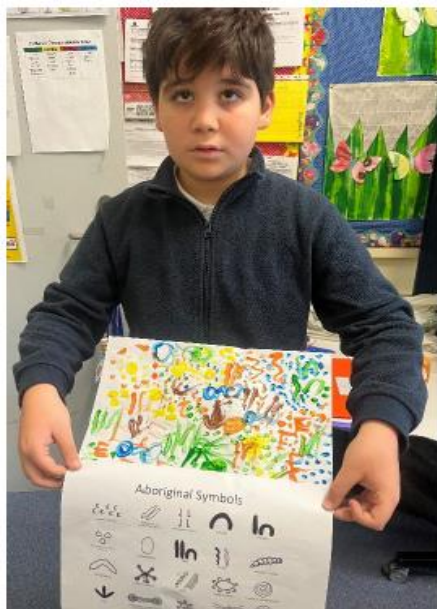






# Inclusive Classes

## Integration



Lucio has been attending Sport and/or Visual Arts sessions with 4M over the last two terms. Here is a snapshot of Lucio's amazing Aboriginal symbols creation. Thank you Mr. Mc Laren & 4M for opening up your classroom each week.

## Thank you to the Nguyen Family

An enormous 'THANK YOU' to the Nguyen family for donating lots of fantastic workbooks and homework books for all the students to use in the Inclusive Classes. Your generosity and kindness is very much appreciated.



## Thank you to all our families



An extraordinary spread was put on by all our families in the Inclusive Classes on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June in the staffroom. Thank you so much everyone for all the delicious treats and delicacies. All the staff were blown away by your generosity and kindness. A special 'THANK YOU' to Linh Nguyen and Lida Chau for setting up the magnificent banquet of culinary delights.



A big 'THANK YOU' to our families who were able to join us for *Parent Teacher meetings* during Week 10. It is fantastic to touch base with you all and we look forward to continuing your child's learning journey during Term 3.





# Inclusive Classes

## Teddy Bears Picnic

Thank you everyone for bringing in your special toys and delicious snacks for our CPS Teddy Bears Picnic. Thank you for your gold coin donations to WIRES and to the SRC for organising the special event.







# Inclusive Classes

## Pizza Perfection with Mr. Crisafulli

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> of June all three classes had the opportunity to have a Masterchef class with Mr. Crisafulli. Everyone had to bring all their Italian skills together from the past two terms and put them into action to make *pizza deliziosa*!





# Teddy Bears' Picnic



*Teddy Bears' Picnic*  
AT CPS 2022















# Applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in **2023**

Once you complete and submit your application you can change details, send and receive messages through your application dashboard.

## Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2023?

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



### Key dates

Application website opens:

**Tuesday 26 April 2022**

Application website closes:

**5pm, Friday 13 May 2022**

You must apply before this deadline

Test centre advice sent:

**Thursday 14 July 2022**

Opportunity Class Placement Test:

**Thursday 28 July 2022**

Placement outcome information  
released overnight on:

**Friday 7 October 2022**

**Please read this document  
carefully before applying.**

Parents\* monitor the Department's  
website regularly for updates  
throughout the application and  
placement process at:

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

Please check the Department's website  
for information before you contact the  
Team.

The opportunity class placement process for Year 5 entry  
is administered by the High Performing Students Team\*.

### Contact Details:

High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education  
Email: [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au)

Telephone: 1300 880 367 Telephone Interpreter Service: 131450

Postal Address: GPO Box 33, SYDNEY, NSW 2001

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/159342048077050>

### Please Note:

\*In this document, the High Performing  
Students Team is referred to as the Team.

\*'Parent' is defined under the Education  
Act, 1990, as a 'guardian' or other person  
having custody or care of a child\*.



# Our school has a new look **online payment page!**

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We're now accepting payment for Concord Public School via the school's website. New features allow you to access:



Anywhere, anytime from a mobile or tablet (as well as a desktop computer)



In a preferred language



Easily without needing to log on, register or enter a Student Registration Number.



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We're now accepting payments for Concord Public School via the school's website. To make a payment, simply:



Visit our school website on your mobile, tablet or desktop computer



Select 'Make a payment' from the main page menu



Enter the required student, contact and payment details

**Note:** You are **NOT** required to provide the 9-digit Student Registration Number.



Check your email for a copy of the receipt of payment



Education



## Safer Internet Day 2022



To mark Safer Internet Day 2022, Concord Public School students recently participated in a range of age-appropriate experiences using resources made available by the eSafety Commissioner, Australia's national regulator and educator for online safety.

Topics of discussion included rules in the home for using technology, sharing personal information, password security and effective behavioural and technical strategies to manage online risks.

The eSafety Commissioner website also includes a host of resources and free webinars for parents and carers that explore the latest research and assist in helping your children to develop the skills to be safer online.

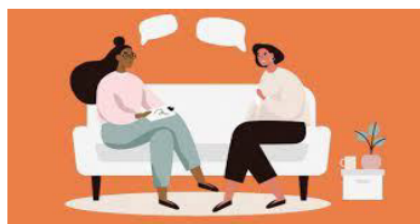
A collection of useful eSafety website links for parents and carers are provided below.

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars>

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/online-safety-book>

### **What to do when you need to see the school counsellor/psychologist**



There may come a time when you or your child need to see the school counsellor/psychologist for advice or for a confidential matter. Our school psychologist is Christiana Savas. She is experienced in her field and comes with a wealth of knowledge and expertise.

Please find her details below:

**Days at Concord PS** - alternate Tuesdays and every Thursday

**To make an appointment** - call the school on 9744-8427 or 9744-8452

Or send an email to the school's email address [concord-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:concord-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

If you require assistance on a day that Ms Savas does not work or require advice on a matter, please contact Mrs Coco (Learning Support Team Co-ordinator and Wellbeing Co-ordinator) or Ms Vountoulas.



# NO PARKING

Signs like these are displayed within your school zone. Make sure you read the signs carefully before you move away from your vehicle as some 'No Parking' signs may have time restrictions associated with them. Council Rangers and NSW Police actively patrol school zones, especially during drop-off and pick-up time periods. Make the right choice and keep our students safe.

## DID YOU KNOW?

You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of 2 mins. You must remain inside or within 3m of your vehicle. Penalties apply.

If there are no spaces available, you'll need to drive away and park elsewhere or return when there is space available.







# ARE YOU WEARING THE CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM?

**Summer Uniform (Term 1 and Term 4)**



**Sports Uniform (Friday's and on request)**



**Winter Uniform (Term 2 and Term 3)**



Uniforms are available for order via your Quickcliq account



Thank you from your SRC Representatives



## CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Concord Public School is held on Mondays from 8:00am to 8:55am, starting on 2 May 2022.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email [enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](mailto:enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au) for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.





# School zones: understanding the rules

Children are small,  
harder to see, behave  
unpredictably and  
are extremely vulnerable.

They need you to take extra  
care when driving and parking  
around school zones.

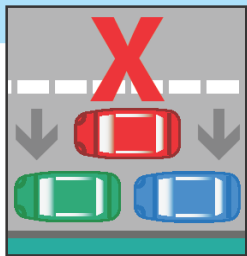
## PLEASE CHOOSE SAFETY OVER CONVENIENCE

To help understand school zone traffic rules, refer below to our quick reference guide.

### DOUBLE PARKING

You must not stop on the road  
alongside a car that is parked at  
anytime.

**Fine:** exceeds \$349  
**Demerit points:** 2



### NO PARKING

You have two minutes to drop-off or pick-up and  
must stay within three metres of your vehicle.

If no spaces are available you cannot queue on the  
road way or in any other zones while waiting for a  
space. You will need to drive away and park elsewhere,  
only returning when there is space to pull up.

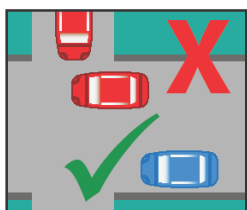
**Fine:** exceeds \$194  
**Demerit points:** 2



### FOOTPATH, DRIVEWAY OR NATURE STRIP

You must not stop across a driveway,  
footpath and nature strip for any reason.

**Fine:** exceeds \$349  
**Demerit points:** 2



### NO STOPPING

You cannot stop in a no stopping zone for any  
reason (including queuing or waiting for a space).

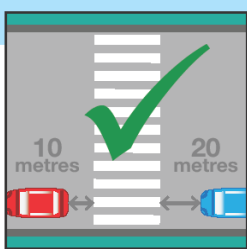
**Fine:** exceeds \$349  
**Demerit points:** 2



### PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

You must not stop on or within 20  
metres before a pedestrian crossing or  
10 metres after a crossing (unless a sign  
allows you to park there).

**Fine:** exceeds \$464  
**Demerit points:** 2



### BUS ZONE

You must not stop or park in a bus zone for any  
reason (including queuing or waiting for a space)  
unless you are driving a bus.

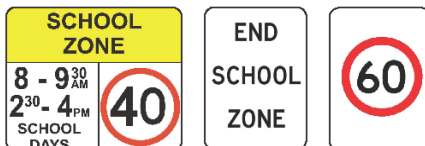
**Fine:** exceeds \$349  
**Demerit points:** 2



### SPEEDING

40km/h school zones are in force on all days which are not a weekend, a public holiday or  
a publicly notified school holiday for government schools. School zone days include school  
development days, also known as  
student-free days.

**Fine:** maximum penalty \$3,995  
**Demerit points:** +7



### PEDESTRIANS

#### STOP

one step back from the kerb

#### LOOK

for traffic to your right, left and right again

#### LISTEN

for the sounds of approaching traffic

#### THINK

whether it is safe to cross

Information effective at 1 July 2020 and subject to change.



# 学校地带: 交通安全法规须知

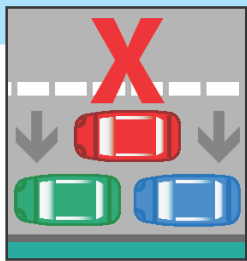
儿童很小, 很难看到,  
行为无法预测,  
是非常脆弱的。  
当您在学校地带行驶或者停车时,  
请特别小心儿童。

## 请不要为了一时方便而忽略了交通安全。

为了帮助您了解学校地带的交通规则, 请参阅我们的快速参考指南。

### 双行停车

任何时候您都不能在路上已停放的车辆  
旁边再停车。  
罚款: 超过\$349  
扣分: 2分



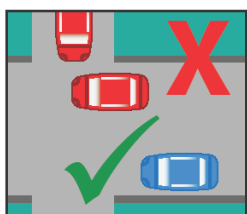
### 禁止泊车

您有两分钟接送孩子并且您必须保持在距离您的  
汽车的3米之内。如果路边没有位置可以停车, 您  
不可以在道路中或者任何其他路段滞留排队等待车  
位。您必须开车离开并停在别处, 直到有空位了才  
可以返回。  
罚款: 超过\$194  
扣分: 2分



### 人行道, 行车道, 绿化隔离带

严禁以任何原因在人行道, 行车道和绿  
化隔离带停车。  
罚款: 超过\$349  
扣分: 2分



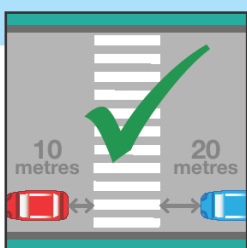
### 禁止暂停

严禁以任何原因在禁止停留区段滞留 (包括排队等  
待停车位)。  
罚款: 超过\$349  
扣分: 2分



### 人行横道

在人行横道前20米或后10米范围内不得  
停车 (除非有停车标志允许在此停车)。  
罚款: 超过\$464  
扣分: 2分



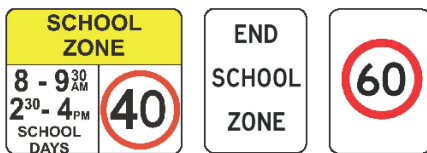
### 公共汽车停车地带

除非您驾驶的是公共汽车, 否则严禁以任何原因在  
公共汽车停车地带停车 (包括排队等待停车位)。  
罚款: 超过\$349  
扣分: 2分



### 超速

学校周围时速限制为40公里/小时在除了周末, 公共假日以及公立学校的学校假期以外的  
所有日期都有效。学校地带限速的日期包括学校发展日(无学生日)。  
罚款: 最高罚款\$3,995  
扣分: 7分以上



### 行人

停

与路边保持至少一步的安全距离

看

观察行驶车辆, 右边, 左边, 然后再右边。

听

留心听车辆驶近的声音

想

想一想是否可以安全通过

信息于 2020 年 7 月 1 日生效, 如有更改。



# Message from the Office

## Payment

When making a payment online you can pay up to 3 DAYS before the due date of the payment. This is due to online transactions taking 48 hours to process.

Other payment methods such as cash or cheque can also be sent to the front office and placed in the blue box labelled **"School Post"**.

Please note that we do not accept online payment for uniform or canteen orders. Please see the uniform or canteen order form for payment details.

## Permission Notes

If you have more than one child we need to have a note for each child, not all on one note please.

## Change of Contact/Address details

Please inform the office immediately if you have changed your contact or address details, so we can contact you in case of an emergency.

## Bicycle and Scooter Guidelines

If you give permission for your child to ride a bicycle or scooter to and/or from school and store it on the school grounds, please carefully read and sign the **'Bicycle and Scooter Guidelines'** document (obtained from the Front Office). These signed forms are to be returned to the office. Once we have received the signed documentation, the school will record that your child has permission from you to ride to school. Please see the office for details.



# Concord Public School on Twitter



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 Joined September 2017

**63** Following **248** Followers

**Are you aware that we are on Twitter?**  
**Follow us and see what is happening at Concord Public School**

## **Concord Public School**

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Website: [www.concord-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.concord-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

Ph: 02 9744 8427