



November 2018

Term 4 Week 4

Newsletter

Important Dates

Wednesday
7th November 2018
Whole School Assembly
2.15pm in the hall
Change of day due to
gymnastics

Sunday
11th November 2018
Remembrance Day
11am Federal Park

Monday 12th-23rd
November 2018
Swim Scheme

Wednesday
14th November 2018
Cyber Safety Presentation
Years 3-4 at 10am
Years 5-6 at 11.30am
Parents Session 1.45pm

Thursday
29th November 2018
Digital Media Festival
Callaghan WARATAH

Friday
14th December 2018
Presentation Day/
Christmas in the Gully

Monday
17th December 2018
Book Pack Orders Due

Wednesday
19th December 2018
Last day of Term 4 for
students

Principals Message -

Congratulations to all our Children's University graduates and thank you to the parents, grandparents and carers who supported their child/children to achieve and be a part of this amazing experience. The photos in this addition say it all.

Thank you Year 6!! Thank you for the gift of new school signs, they are a big improvement. Special mention to Grandfather Les Duff for putting the signs up and sorting out replacement posts for the signs to be affixed to.

It's Remembrance day this Sunday and the Wallsend RSL Sub-branch will be holding a ceremony on the eastern side Federal Park at the war memorial. Please consider a family stroll to the park to witness this ceremony and share in the tradition of respect and acknowledgement for the fallen. Plattsburg will be represented along with other schools in the laying of a wreath.

Callaghan College Waratah Campus
Thursday 29 November

CEP Outdoor Digital Media Festival 2018

Supported by: **rff** **PHOTOLOOK**

SILVER JEWELLERY
21c LEARNING HUB
AFRICAN HAIR BRAIDING
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
SHOWBAGS
DRINKS
ENTERTAINMENT
NACHOS
HENNA HANDS
LOLLIES
LUCKY DIP
SWEET TEMPTATIONS
CORN ON A COB
CAKES
FAIRY FLOSS
+ MUCH MUCH MORE

Tickets Available at Participating Schools
GlendorePS HamiltonNorthPS IslingtonPS
JesmondPS MarylandPS MayfieldEastPS MayfieldWestPS MinmiPS PlattsburgPS ShortlandPS TighesHillPS
WallsendPS WaratahPS WaratahWestPS
CCWallsend CCWaratah CCJesmond

Digital Media Festival

Plattsburg PS, along with many other local schools, are performing at the CEP Outdoor Digital Media Festival on Thursday 29th November 2018 at Callaghan College Waratah Campus commencing at 4:30pm.

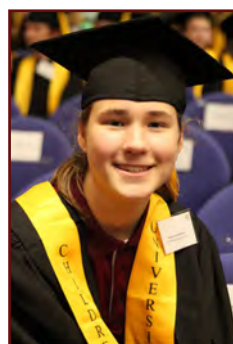
Our P&C is holding a Fairy Floss stall with proceeds going to our P&C Association. We need volunteers to help man the stall, so please let us know at the canteen or office. Tickets are only \$5 per person or \$10 per family and can be purchased by placing money in an envelope and dropped into the P&C locked box in the foyer and your entry ticket will be given to you before the date. Thank you for supporting this very special event.

Children's University



On Monday 5th November Mrs Bax and Mr Hopson took Plattsburg Public School Children's University representatives to the Newcastle University for their awards night. The students were dressed in proper university graduation gowns and received their certificates in the Great Hall of Newcastle University. All of our students had a great night and it was awesome to see their parents there in support of the students. The program will run again next year so enquire at the school office early next year if you want to be part of the Children's University program of 2019. Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the night and Mrs Brooks for organising the bus for the evening. Regards, Mr Hopson

All photos can be viewed on our school website.





EXCURSIONS

Australian Reptile Park

Last week KJ and K/1M visited the Australian Reptile Park. All the students were on their best behaviour and it was great learning all about the different reptiles and other animals at the park. Miss Jasmine was voted as our bravest teacher, as she got to wrap a huge python around her neck and walk it around for all the students to see and pat. It was a great hands-on day! One of the important functions of the Australian Reptile Park, along with education and tourism, is the collection of venom from deadly species of snakes and spiders. The venom is used by the Commonwealth Serum Laboratories - better known as BioCSL Limited, to manufacture the only Australian antivenoms that save human snake bite and spider bite victims. The Reptile Park is the sole supplier of the venoms required by BioCSL Limited in the production of antivenoms for terrestrial snakes (not sea snakes) and funnel-web spiders. To keep up the supply of venoms, highly trained staff of the Australian Reptile Park regularly 'milk' more than 300 snakes and 500 spiders that are included in the program. For more information about the work of the Australian Reptile Park, visit their website at <https://reptilepark.com.au/>



Oakvale Farm

On Thursday 25th October, Mrs Buxton and Miss Evan took 12 very excited children to Oakvale Farm. Everyone had a great time and we learnt so much about all the different animal. Our favourite part was feeding the animals. Mrs Buxton



2019 Class Organisation

As the end of year approaches we will begin our organisation for the 2019 school year. If you are moving out of the area and leaving our school please inform the office of your intentions. Similarly, if you are aware of any students moving into our area who will be attending our school in 2019 please ask the families to make contact with the school. In addition to this, if you have any particular requests for your child for class placement for next year (based on academic and/or wellbeing grounds) please ensure you give these requests in writing to the office as soon as possible. Parent requests are not guaranteed. Please remember teachers know your children and always put a lot of time and consideration into creating classes to ensure students are best placed taking into consideration many factors including friendship groups and teacher compatibility.

Circle of Security

At times all parents feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us. Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you. The Circle of Security® Parenting™ program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened. Using the COS-P model developed by the Circle of Security originators, our trained Facilitators work with parents and care-givers to help them to:

- Understand their child's emotional world by learning to read emotional needs.
- Support their child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of their child's self esteem.

- Honour the innate wisdom and desire for their child to be secure.

Circle of Security is held at Jesmond Neighbourhood Centre, 44 Mordue Parade, Jesmond on THURSDAYS November 15, 22, 29; and 6, 13 and 20 December 2018 at 10.30 to 12.30. There is no cost to parents/caregivers, however it is necessary to commit to attending the 6 week programme from the start date. Tea and coffee provided but please note no child care available. RSVP: Sue Walkom (Child, Youth and Family Counsellor) Jesmond Neighbourhood Centre tel: 4979 8555 and susanw@connectabilityaus.org.au

Selective High School Test 2020

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing education materials at the appropriate level. Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 14th March 2019.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2020, you need to apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-highschools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> (you need to apply using a valid email address, not the student's email address).

Applications for selective high

school placement opened on 9th October 2018 and will close on 12th November 2018. You must apply before the closing date. There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 9 October 2018. You must submit only ONE application for each student. Please make sure you meet the deadline as late applications are not accepted.

Mozzie Alert

At present we are experiencing a lot of mosquitos due to the warm weather and rain over the past couple of weeks. Please make sure your child comes to school with repellent on and/or a roll on repellent.

Library News

Last day for borrowing is 16th November. ALL BOOKS must be returned by Friday 30th November for stocktake.



Hamper Donations

We are asking for new and non-perishable donations for Plattsburg Public School's Annual Christmas Raffle. Donate as little or as much as you like, every little bit is greatly appreciated. You can drop your donations off to the office or the canteen anytime.

FUN AT SCHOOL



Stage 2 and 3 having a blast at Gymnastics Week 2

2A have completed some amazing artworks of parrots and Miss Ashely is so proud that she wanted to share them with you.



Police Talk

On Monday 29th October Police Officer Brett Rose came and spoke to all our students regarding safety in the community, the role of the police in the community and he showed the students some of the equipment police officers use in their job. The students responded well to the presentations and the online safety presentation to our Stage 3 students was well received.



Congratulations to year six 2018 for all of your fundraising efforts and to all of the people involved, whether it was turning a sausage at Bunnings, baking cakes or selling chocolates. You should all be very proud of yourselves to be able to leave such a beautiful parting gift to your school. Just take a look at the before and after, fantastic, isn't it? Enjoy your last term. THANKYOU, you are all amazing.

Our old tired sign below



Staff Training - Wednesday evening all staff attended mandatory Anaphylaxis and CPR face to face training with Tanya from Royal Life Saving Australia. Staff were tested using the latest CPR Annie technology where the mannequins used for CPR training were connected to the Smartboard. Staff had visual data in real time on how effective their compressions and resuscitations were with the program computing compressions per minute, breaths per minute and depth of compressions. All staff passed with flying colours. Sadie found the whole course particularly interesting and wanted to be included too so you can be rest assured staff and students are in safe hands if an emergency does arise.



Save the app that could save your life



The Emergency+ app is a free app developed by Australia's emergency services and their Government and industry partners. The app uses GPS functionality built into smartphones to capture critical caller location details required to mobilise emergency crews.

ANDROID APP ON Google play Available on the App Store

EVERYONE CAN BE A LIFESAVER



Royal Life Saving
ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY - AUSTRALIA

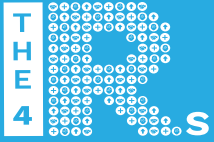
The Emergency + app is free and has been developed by Australia's emergency services. Parents and students are encouraged to download the app as it's features may help save a life. The app uses a mobile phone's GPS functionality so callers can provide emergency call-takers with their location information as determined by their smart phone. 'Emergency+' also includes SES and Police Assistance Line numbers as options, so non-emergency calls are made to the most appropriate number.

An article written by LIA HARRIS, Exclusive, The Sunday Telegraph shows what this app can do in a real-life emergency.

"Hanging upside down in a wrecked car with a broken neck and no phone signal, Evan Cobcroft had no choice but to send his two children to get help. Mr Cobcroft, a female friend and his two children Jessika, 12, and Lachlan, 15, were on their way back from a picnic at Barrington Tops National Park late in the afternoon on September 23 when he lost control of the car on a remote dirt road. "We were coming home and went around a corner and the car just slid out ... we were only doing 40km," Mr Cobcroft said. "I applied the brakes and we just slid into the wall, and I said to the kids 'hang on, we're going to hit'. "It just flipped us straight over and we're not sure if we rolled once or twice ... probably twice." Evan Cobcroft was trapped in this vehicle and was only rescued after his children went to get help. With their father trapped inside the car and no idea where they were, Jessika and Lachlan were forced to take his mobile phone and walk until they found a signal. "It was really scary ... I thought we'd be trapped there forever," Jessika said. "We ran most of the way. we were just going down the hill and kept checking the phone. "When it finally said SOS, we called police." After walking 2.5km away from the crash site in remote bushland near Gloucester, Jessika used the Emergency+ app on her dad's smartphone to give the operator their exact location. Within an hour, a police car had arrived and Mr Cobcroft was flown from the scene shortly after. He said he owed his life to his children. "They're amazing. I'm so proud of them," he said. "Who knows what could've happened if the emergency services hadn't got there as quick as they did. "The doctors tell me I'm a miracle, that there's no way I should be walking."

Mr Cobcroft said the Emergency+ app installed on his smart phone was vital in directing police to the crash site. "I had no idea where we were, I didn't even know what the road was called," he said. "I've been telling everyone, give it to your kids, show them how to use it." Lachlan Cobcroft suffered some injuries to his face during the crash. The Emergency+ app, available for free at the app store, shows the caller their latitude and longitude to pinpoint their exact location for emergency services. "If a Triple Zero operator doesn't know where the caller is, they can't send help," he said.

Download the app today <http://emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au/>



The 4Rs of online safety



Respect

I treat myself and others the way I like to be treated



Responsibility

I am accountable for my actions



Reasoning

I question what is real



Resilience

I get back up from tough situations



Safer Internet Day 2019 Tuesday
5 February
Together for a better internet

**Plattsburg PS
Uniform
Shop**

**CLEARANCE
SALE**

**Limited stock
and sizes**

Girls Tunics \$20
Micro Mesh Tri-Stripe Polo \$10
Micro Mesh Shorts Contrast Panel \$10
Mesh Shorts \$5

Opening Times
Monday, Thursday and Friday
2:30pm to 3pm

PosterMyWall.com

**PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT
FUNDRAISING GOAL**

\$20 000



Total Raised
\$7078

Our Aim



Thank you for supporting
Plattsburg P&C



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Meeting Notice
P&C Meeting
Monday 19th November 2018
9.30am in the library
All Welcome.

Breakfast Club Roster				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5/11/18 HELP Kristie O'Brien	6/11/18 Michelle Baurer (Bread Collector) Kylee Burnett Michele Ryan	7/11/18 Kylie Evans (Bread Cutter) Michele Ryan Nabeel Tawfia	8/11/18 Carly Ackerman Nabeel Tawfia	9/11/18 Carly Ackerman Sheridan Uhrig
12/11/18 HELP Kristie O'Brien	13/11/18 Kylee Burnett Michele Ryan	14/11/18 Michele Ryan Nabeel Tawfia	15/11/18 Carly Ackerman Nabeel Tawfia	16/11/18 Carly Ackerman Sheridan Uhrig
19/11/18 HELP Kristie O'Brien	20/11/18 Allison NM (Bread Collector) Kylee Burnett Michele Ryan	21/11/18 Kylie Evans (Bread Cutter) Michele Ryan Nabeel Tawfia	22/11/18 Carly Ackerman Nabeel Tawfia	23/11/18 Carly Ackerman Sheridan Uhrig
26/11/18 HELP Kristie O'Brien	27/11/18 Kylee Burnett Michele Ryan	28/11/18 Michele Ryan Nabeel Tawfia	29/11/18 Carly Ackerman Nabeel Tawfia	30/11/18 Carly Ackerman Sheridan Uhrig

Canteen Roster
Monday Sandra Moriarty Odette Radburn
Tuesday Amanda Wasowski
Wednesday Bernadette Jopp Kylie Evans
Thursday Sandra Moriarty
Friday Sandra Moriarty Amanda Wasowski Order online at www.quickcliq.com.au



Christmas Hamper Donations

We are asking for new and non-perishable donations for
Plattsburg Public School's
Annual Christmas Raffle.

We have outlined some suggestions for each class to ensure a variety of donations. Donate as little or as much as you like, every little bit is greatly appreciated. You can drop your donations off to the office or the canteen anytime. This is a P&C initiative and all money raised from the Christmas raffle will go towards the new playground.

Raffle will be drawn during Christmas in the Gully.

- ♦ KJ Lollies, confectionary
- ♦ K1M Christmas items eg Bonbons
- ♦ 1/2A Pretzels, nuts
- ♦ 2A Chips, Cheezles etc
- ♦ 2/3FH Biscuits, crackers
- ♦ 3/4K Soft drinks
- ♦ 3/4C Chocolates
- ♦ 5/6R Christmas items eg Candy canes
- ♦ 5/6H Poppers, pop tops
- ♦ 5/6L Chips, biscuits

Christmas in the Gully

Friday 14th December 2018

This year our Christmas in the Gully celebrations will be conducted between 2 p.m. and approximately 6 p.m. Please view the programme below

CHRISTMAS IN THE GULLY PROGRAMME

TEACHER SUPERVISION BETWEEN 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students with pre-purchased wristbands enjoy inflatable rides and activities in the Gully Those students who have not purchased a wristband will enjoy a movie/activities in the library
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PARENT/CARER SUPERVISION REQUIRED FROM 3 p.m. ONWARDS

2:50 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All students return to the COLA where rolls will be marked Those students who have a nominated parent/carer to supervise them return to the Gully Those students who do not have a nominated parent/carer to supervise them go home as usual
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FAMILIES ARE ABLE TO JOIN THE CELEBRATION AT ANY TIME CONVENIENT TO THEM

4:00 p.m.	BBQ
5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities and inflatable rides will be packed up Class performances commence
6:00 p.m.	Pack up



PLATTSY CHRISTMAS APPEAL for the Salvation Army

Food: non-perishable, preferably with a long storage date, that can be used by families over the Christmas and New Year period. Christmas goodies.

Unwrapped gifts: The reason we request unwrapped presents is to allow parents to personally select suitable gifts for their children. This is a more dignified way of allocating gifts. Gifts can be placed in Christmas bags or just unwrapped.

Donations of Christmas wrapping paper, bags or decorations would be useful as parents of children receiving the gifts can wrap them themselves.....all the more fun and joy for those families

GIFTS URGENTLY REQUIRED THIS YEAR

Toddlers: 1-3 years, safe toys

Soft toys: The Salvo's have an abundance of soft toys so we ask that wherever possible you refrain from donating soft toys.

Boys and Girls: Age 12+

Teenagers

THANK YOU for your generosity in helping to make Christmas special for ALL children.

PLEASE DROP YOUR GIFT UNDER THE CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE ADMIN FOYER TERM 4 OR GIVE TO

Ms Bridge before Friday 30 NOVEMBER 2018.

FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF PHONE 1300656336 or visit www.samaritans.org.au





PLATTSBURG Public School Student Packs

Plattsburg Public School - 2019

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ORDERING PACKS ONLINE

1. Go to www.kookaburra.com.au/login (you do not need to register)
2. Enter User Name: **PLATT002** (The first 5 characters are letters and the last 3 characters are numbers)
Enter Password: **Student9**
3. Select Student Packs.
4. Select your student's 2019 Year Level.
5. Add the quantity next to products required by your child, in the "Quantity" box.
6. Once you have added all items required, click "Add selected items to cart".
7. If you have another child to shop for, select their 2019 year level from the drop down and add their items to your cart.
8. When you've finished shopping for your child/ren, click on the cart icon in the header to go to the cart and complete your order.
9. Review your cart, then click "Continue to Checkout".
10. Select a Delivery Method from the drop-down and complete your delivery details.

Note: Please ensure someone will be available to receive the goods at time of delivery. All home deliveries require a signature, unless you have provided an Authority to Leave (ATL). Please be advised that once an ATL has been provided, Kookaburra can only guarantee delivery and quality up to the point that the track and trace advises us that the goods were left for you in the place indicated on your ATL.

11. Complete your child/rens names under "Student Information".
12. Add your phone number.
13. Click "Continue to Payment".
14. Select your payment method and click "Process Payment".
15. You will be emailed an order confirmation.

Your order has now been placed with Kookaburra. If you have any queries, please contact our Customer Experience Team support@kookaburra.com.au

PLEASE NOTE:

- * **The cut-off date for all orders is 17th December 2018 for delivery by 30th January 2019.**
- * Orders received after **17th December 2018** may not be delivered prior to Term 1 2019. Additional fees and charges may apply.
- * **All orders are Firm Sale (i.e. non-returnable).**



Phone: 1300 766 997 Fax: 1300 768 997
www.kookaburra.com.au

The \$10,000 Chase

12 - 16 NOVEMBER 2018

Win

100 x \$50
QuickCliq
Credit to
be won
for parents



Bonus

The first 20
parents to place
their order, like
and share our
Facebook page
and comment
their QuickCliq
Order Number
will win every
day!

From Monday 12th November for one week only, order from your canteen via QuickCliq for your chance to win one of **100 x \$50 QuickCliq Credit**.

To enter simply place an order online, **LIKE & SHARE** our Facebook page and comment your QuickCliq Order Number. The first 20 parents to do this will win **EVERY DAY**.

The first 20 parents will win daily (only valid from 12th-16th November 2018) and will be notified via Facebook. We understand that everyone is busy and volunteering is sometimes just not possible, ordering online not only helps your school but also gives your canteen a chance to win a \$500 donation from QuickCliq.



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