



August 2019

Term 3 Week 4

Newsletter

Important Dates

Thursday
15th August 2019
Aladdin Jr CCWC

Monday
19th August 2019
Staff Development Day
No Students/No Staff

Thursday
29th August 2019
Fathers Day Stall

Friday
30th August 2019
Fathers Day Breakfast
Wear you footy colours

Tuesday
10th September 2019
Photo Day

Tuesday
17th September 2019
Whole School Performance

Saturday
21st September 2019
Koombahla Aged Care Fete

Friday
27th September 2019
Colour Run

Principals Message -

Congratulations to the whole of our school community for joining together to celebrate a successful Education Week and Book Week. I had the privilege of attending Callaghan College Wallsend Campus NAIDOC celebrations was proud to see so many of our Plattsburg students taking leadership roles and pursuing cultural connections. I'd like to bring attention to one of our past students who has embraced Food Technology at the High School. I have now attended two events where he has had a big hand in catering. He is planning to be a chef in a submarine. Seeing our kids succeed at high school is so rewarding. Our current year 6 are getting ready to take on the challenges of high school and they and their parents/careers should know that there is achievement, opportunity and good times ahead.

REMINDER
NO SCHOOL

No Staff - No Students
will be at school on
Monday 19th August 2019

The opportunity has arisen for our teachers to participate in a full day workshop with internationally renowned speaker Dylan William and colleague teachers from across our network of schools.

Parents/Carers are to provide alternative care for their child and not send them to school this day.



**Every student,
every voice.**

education.nsw.gov.au/education-week
#EdWeek19



Head Lice Alert

We have had a number of cases of head lice within the school and are asking that you please do your part to support our school community in preventing the spread of this infestation. Please check your child's hair this weekend for nits/lice and if you find any nits or lice commence treatment immediately.

To see nits (eggs) and lice in your child's hair:

- Use a strong light so you can see the nits on the hairs or lice on the scalp
- Use a comb to separate small amounts of hair
- Check the whole head paying particular attention to the area behind the ears and back of the head
- It is essential to REMOVE ALL EGGS by pinching them with your fingernail and pulling them completely off the hair shaft
- Using a hair straightener will also help to kill the eggs.

Treating head lice does not need to be expensive. Treatment with a medicated shampoo is recommended for the first two treatments but the most effective treatment recommended by James Cook University and Westmead Hospital is the "conditioner and comb" treatment, which involves combing conditioner through an infestation and dunking all lice and eggs in hot water to kill them. Store-bought head lice shampoos or white conditioner must be applied to all parts of the hair, ideally with the same precision with which a hairdresser applies colour to hair, doing it in sections and applying it close to the scalp. No head lice product or insecticide currently kills all eggs, but is likely to kill the live lice. The problem is that eggs hatch at various stages of the life cycle and reinfestation occurs. If retreatment is not performed. Manual removal of all eggs is the only effective treatment. A complete regime to remove headlice consists of two to four treatments a week. The first treatment kills the climbers, and the second kills the juvenile lice hatched from the eggs over the intervening week. In all headlice cases, a second treatment is needed as no head lice treatment kills 100% of the eggs. You must retreat on day 7 with the same headlice treatment product used previously. Thank you for your cooperation.

Breakfast Club Volunteers

Can you butter toast? Are you a wizz at pouring milk? Any chance you can spare 30 minutes a week? Plattsburg Breakfast Club is a volunteer run initiative. Toast, cereal, milk and water is provided to students between 8.30am and 9.00am each morning to ensure they have full tummies for a day of learning. We need more volunteers to help and would love to hear from you. If you can't donate your time, we are always looking for **donations of margarine, honey, disposable gloves and paper towel** to keep up with demand. Thank you for your continued support of our Breakfast Club. A reminder too that a silver coin donation from students is always welcome when coming along to breakfast club, to help with the ongoing costs of the program. See the office for further details.

Education Week Awards

Congratulations to the students from our school who were awarded a 2019 CEP Education Week Certificate for STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE at the prestigious Education Week Ceremony at Callaghan College Jesmond Campus.

The recipients were as follows:-

Payton Bauer:
excellence in Numeracy

Marni Reid:
application across all learning areas

Jayarni Townsend:
demonstration of school values

Djarayi Henry:
demonstration of school values

Sinthiou Diaw:
application across all learning areas

Phoebe Lee:
demonstration of school values

Layla Foster:
application across all learning areas

Tanna Brown:

Father's Day Breakfast

You're Invited!

Join us for a delicious breakfast to celebrate all the wonderful Dads, Fathers, Grandfathers and significant males in your life.

Breakfast from 8am

Friday 30th August

Wear your Footy Colours

Zone Public Speaking

Our Zone Public Speaking Representatives have represented our school with pride this week and we are looking forward to receiving the result. Results will be published as soon as they become available.

Microphone Donation

We were in desperate need of a new microphone and stand before the public speaking finals. We asked Lucas Walters, parent and technician at A1 audio Adamstown for a quote and they generously donated a new microphone and stand. Thank you!

School Photos

School photos will be taken on: Tuesday 10th September 2019.

All students be given an envelope with their name, package options and payment details closer to the date. Students must bring their photo envelope **ON PHOTO DAY**. Please do not send it to school before photo day. Students will need to be in FULL school uniform

SIBLING ENVELOPES are available to be collected from the front office. They each have a unique shoot key for online ordering. Ordering can be completed online (www.msp.com.au) or by payment on the day. Please ensure your child's details are correct on the envelope (i.e. spelling). On completion of an online order, the website will display an order reference code which should be written on the back of the envelope, in the box provided. Each child is still required to bring their envelope on photo day. Orders can be placed online up to one week after photo day.

Stranger Danger

There has been a number of incidents recently in our local area of children being followed and/or intimidated by strangers. Families please make time to discuss with their children the need to travel safely to and from school and also around local sporting fields, in groups where possible and to never engage with strangers. Should any child be approached they should as quickly and safely as possible leave the area and seek assistance from a responsible adult, eg. their parent/caregiver, school staff. We have reinforce 'safe people, safe places' with the students. If you could also do that at home and be vigilant when children are walking to and from school.

Sign-on Requirements

The Department of Education Visitors sign on requirements All visitors to the school site are reminded to please sign on and off in the office visitors book every time you visit between the hours of 9am to 3pm, eg. canteen helpers, volunteers, classroom helpers.

Volunteer Requirements

The Department of Education requires any parent and close relative volunteers to complete an Appendix 5 - Declaration for Volunteers and provide 100 points of proof of identify. Please refer to the link to obtain an Appendix 5 form or attend the school office to obtain a copy.

Extended Leave

If your child is going to be absent for over five (5) school days, you must fill in an Extended Leave Form before you go on holidays. The Principal will approve and sign the form and a 'Certificate of Leave' will be returned to the parent. These forms are available from the school office. The period is still marked as "absent" from school, but it will be explained and recorded as a justified absence.

Lost Property

Our lost property tub is overflowing! If your child has lost their jumper please check the tub under the COLA.

Free Dental Care

The child Dental Benefit Scheme (CDBS) provides up to \$1000 over two consecutive years in dental treatment or eligible children aged 2 to 17 years. Patients can use their full benefits within the first year if required; however, additional benefits will not be made available in the second year. CDBS Dental services include: examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure sealing, fillings, root canals, extractions and partial dentures. Ring to check Eligibility. Special offer this soccer season for School kids, NO Gap for MOUTHGUARD. Select your favourite team colour for the mouthguard. Additionally, we also offer Family Dental care and braces for all ages. Log on to www.mfdental.com.au Make an appointment with us today at Macquarie Family Dental.

Kindergarten 2020

Planning is well underway for next year's Kindergarten! Please remind family and friends to contact the School regarding any students who will be enrolling in Kindergarten next year. Enquiries should be directed to the School Office where enrolment forms are available.

Staff Development Day

Our Staff Development Day is Monday 19th August. **STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL ON THIS DAY.** Parents/carers will need to make alternative arrangements for their children. All staff will be attending the Dylan Williams conference in the Hunter Valley on Formative Assessment.

No Hat No Play

No Hat no playing in the Gully. Plattsburg Public School is a sun safe school and we require students to wear their hats on the playground. If your child does not have a school hat they will be asked to stay under the COLA. If your child has lost their hat, there are numerous hats in the lost property.

REQUEST FOR ALL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE LOCAL TRADES PROVIDERS AND SUPPLIERS



The NSW Government has committed the largest investment in planned maintenance at public schools in the history of NSW. A record \$1.3 billion is being spent on an ambitious delivery program, focused on employing local businesses and contractors across the state.

To assist in addressing regional school maintenance issues and at the same time provide work for local trade's persons and suppliers across the Hunter / Central Coast regions, over \$100 million is being invested to upgrade and maintain our school infrastructure.

Given this record spend by School Infrastructure NSW, you are invited to an Asset Management Unit industry breakfast briefing. This will provide information to existing and new contractors on how you can get involved.

To find out more by attending our Industry breakfast register at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/industry-engagement-information-session-tickets-65766578607...> or contact your Asset Management Unit on 4088 3500.

Please share this initiative from the Department of Education to engage with local businesses and tradespeople.

Book Week Celebrations

A big thank you to everyone for supporting our annual book fair and ensuring Book Week was a huge success once again.

It was exciting to see the variety of costumes walk through our school gates, there were many wonderful and excited comments about the ideas and creativity of the costumes.

Our annual Junk Sculpture competition winners were announced, this year we received the largest number of submissions we have ever had.

Our Junk Sculpture winners were:

K-2 Mackay Pritchard, Jacob Lowe and Jacob Grbic.

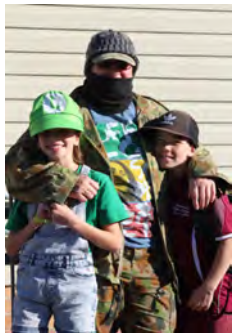
3-6 Callen Cosstick, Skylah Partridge and Tanna and Charlee Brown

Around the school classroom doors were decorated with superheroes. The classroom door competition winners were 6I with their I am Groot door display.

It was fantastic to see our students purchase so many books and show such enthusiasm towards reading. With all the books we sold, we are able to purchase new resources for the school and classrooms for all students to enjoy.

Regards, Miss Anne.







KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 2020 ORIENTATION DAY DATES

NOVEMBER 2019

13th Information Night 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

19th Student Orientation 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

20th Student Orientation 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

28th Student Orientation 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Welcome to Plattsburg 2020 Kindergarten



Mr Hopson and Miss Casey worked on persuasive writing in Term 2 with Miss Casey's class. The students had discussions, researched, completed word walls and mind maps. This lead up work linked in with a debate held on Friday 9th August with Mr Hopson and Miss Casey. The debate linked in well with the school's book week activities. The topic was "Circus Animals Should be Banned."

All students who participated presented their arguments well. It was great to see the students express their arguments in front of their peers.

A massive thank you to Mel d'Arbon and James Wallace who came in to help judge the debate.

We look forward to continuing the debating skills in Stage 3.



On Thursday 8th August K-6 listened to Lifeguards talk about water safety. Students learnt how to be safe when they are swimming at the beach, in pools and other bodies of water such as rivers.



Zone Athletics

On Tuesday the 6th of August, students from Plattsburg Public participated at the Crossroads Zone Athletics Carnival. All students gave their best efforts competing in their races. Many students were successful in making it through to the finals of their races. Our junior and senior relay teams demonstrated improvement in baton handover and teamwork. Special mention goes to Cooper Marks who was named Crossroads Junior Boy Champion. Cooper will now represent the school at the Hunter Primary Athletics Carnival. Good Luck Cooper! Miss Casey. All photos taken on the day can be viewed on our school's website.



Father's Day Family Night

FREE


Bunnings Wallsend Thursday 29th August 6pm-8pm

- Ruby The Clown
- Bricks 4 Kids
- Jumping Castle
- Kids D.I.Y / Face Painting
- Light Refreshments

For more information or to book please contact us on 49416400
or visit www.bunnings.com.au/wallsend

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6-12 years: 1.5L

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Age Rating in the App Store: 12+

YUBO

(Formerly Yellow)

Yubo is a social networking site where users are able to make new 'friends'. Yubo is very much like Tinder as you are able to swipe right if you like someone and left to pass. If both users swipe right then they will be matched and are then able to chat, send photos and videos within the app.

Yubo is free to download. In order to create a new profile the user must give their name, date of birth and gender. The user is then able to freely choose who they would like to connect with, whether it be girls, boys or both. The user can upload up to 5 photos of themselves and make a biography using emojis.

The application allows users to turn on their location settings to find other users near by in their proximity. Yubo also has a Live feature mode. This means that users are able to create a live video with up to four of their 'Yubo' friends. There are obvious dangers regarding this type of activity.

Concerns

In Yubo's terms and conditions it says that users must 12+ to sign up to sign up, it also states that users between the ages of 13 - 17 years old must have parental permission before signing up and creating an account.

Warnings about inappropriate content can be found on the app store when downloading the app and include the following flags:

- Infrequent/Mild Sexual Content and Nudity
- Frequent/Intense Mature/Suggestive Themes
- Infrequent/Mild Profanity or Crude Humour
- Infrequent/Mild Alcohol, Tobacco, or Drug Use or References

Even though Instagram and Snapchat are no longer integrated into the application, many users upload a picture of their Snapchat account details on to their Yubo account biography.

How do I report another user?

Users can report other users profiles if they are exposed to inappropriate content. This can be done simply by clicking on the flag icon in the top left corner of the profile the user wishes to report. The app will then ask users to select a reason for the report from a list of options.

It is important for parents to be aware of what apps and social networks their child is using. We would recommend using caution with the Yubo app, parents need to consider whether the app is age appropriate for their child.

How do I delete my Yubo account?

Go to the settings and to 'Manage my Account' and press delete my account.

If your child is using the app or wants to start, talk to them about the potential risks and what they hope to gain from using the application. Also, consider whether your child is emotionally mature to be exposed to the kind of content that may be posted on the app.

Advise them to be careful about what personal information they are sharing and the potential risks of sharing too much with a potential stranger.

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Age Rating in the App Store: 17+

WHISPER

Whisper is a social anonymous confession application. It allows users to superimpose text over a picture in order to share their thoughts and feelings anonymously. However, you post anonymously, but it displays the area you are posting from. You can also search for users posting within a kilometre from you.

All too often, those whispers are sexual - and sometimes so are users trying to meet with other users for sex. There's copious strong language and sexual images (though no actual sex is shown). The app also encourages private communications in which users can exchange images and personal information.

Anyone can post an anonymous message to the service in the form of an image with text overlaid on a picture. When the user opens the app, they will see six such images. Each one has a "secret" on it. The user can then respond to a message publicly or privately.

Users don't have a public identity in the app. While they do have persistent handles, there's no way to contact them except through the messages they post.

Concerns

Due to the anonymity, kids are posting pics of other kids with derogatory text superimposed on the image. Also, users do not have to register to use Whisper and can use the app to communicate with other users nearby through GPS. Sexual predators use the app to locate kids and establish a relationship.

How do I block a user on whisper?

To block a user from within chat, tap on the ellipsis in the upper right corner and click the 'Block' icon. You can also block a user if you swipe left across a chat in the inbox screen and press Block.

How do I delete my Whisper account?

Unfortunately there is no quick way to delete your whisper account. This is the information about the process from the Whisper website. 'Upon your request, we can delete your account. You may make such request by emailing Support from the app. You can elect to delete all of your Whisper content OR completely delete your account. **Note:** Completely deleting your Whisper account will prevent you from joining the Whisper community in the future on your device. You will only be able to browse content.'

Many whispers seem to be an attempt to get replies and likes (called 'hearts'). Talk about how to evaluate whether a user might be stretching the truth to get a response.

The images in Whisper could lead to some uncomfortable discussions about the sexualization of everyday topics.

The Carly Ryan Foundation does not recommend the use of Whisper for anyone under the age of 18.

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Age Rating in the App Store: 12+

TIK TOK

(Including Musical.ly)

Tik Tok is a social media platform for creating, sharing and discovering short music videos. Every day, millions of people use Tik Tok as an outlet to express themselves through singing, dancing, comedy, and lip-synching. The app celebrates creativity with videos recorded in 15 seconds or less and shared across the Tik Tok community.

You have the ability to make cool, short videos-songs or short dialogues - that you can share with the world, and people can see them. Think MTV meets SNL meets karaoke meets Dubsmash meets American Idol meets Instagram.

Concerns

- 12+ content in the songs lyrics. Swearing and adult concepts in the provided music.
- Pornography, graphic content, suicide notes.
- Tik Tok users can search for other users to view or follow near their own location/city.
- User generated videos can be viewed and shared onto other social media and messaging apps increasing exposure.
- Bullying in comments.
- Users can publicise their messenger usernames or social media profiles on their Tik Tok profile.
- Many fake user accounts, used to hijack views or set up to bully.
- Hacking of accounts by promotional accounts (Free Tik Tok Crowns) within the app.
- Not easy to report accounts for being fakes or underage inside the app.
- Many underage accounts with large amounts of followers.
- Easy for users to create multiple accounts and hide them from their parents.
- Fake Tik Tok apps on the app store that charge for download or offer followers.

How Do I Delete My Tik Tok Account?

- Open the Tik Tok app and login.
- Tap on the person icon at the lower right of your screen to open your profile.
- Click on the three dots located in the upper right corner.
- Click on 'Privacy and Settings'.
- Click on 'Manage my Account'.
- Add a phone number if you haven't already. A verified phone number is a requirement for removing your Tik Tok account.
- Scroll to the bottom of the page where it says 'Thinking about removing your account?' Tap it.
- Tap 'Send Code'.
- Wait for the code to be sent.
- Enter the 4-digit code within 60 seconds of it being sent to you. Then hit continue.
- Read over the implications of removing your account. Hit continue if you agree with the terms.
- Hit 'Delete Account'. You'll be logged out and your account will be deleted.

How Do I Block a Tik Tok Account?

- Open the Tik Tok app and login.
- Tap on the magnifying glass.
- Search for the user you want to block.
- Tap their name or photo.
- Tap on the --- icon.
- Tap 'Block'.

How Do I Report a Tik Tok Account?

- Open the Tik Tok app and login.
- Tap on the magnifying glass.
- Search for the user you want to block.
- Tap their name or photo.
- Tap on the --- icon.
- Tap 'Report' and fill out the user report.

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FORTNITE

Fortnite is an online gaming platform allowing up to 100 users per game to drop on to an island/map in the hunt for weapons and equipment. The users then hunt each other down in the hope to become number 1.

Battle Royale mode provided by epic games is free to download and available for everyone. Users have the choice to buy cosmetic items (micro transactions) which allows their character to look unique to others.

Concerns

Users are able to connect with other random users around the world. When holding down "T" the game will allow the user to chat with any other user. This poses potentially inappropriate contact between users.

Be aware if your child is using your App Store / Google Play Store to play Fortnite they may be able to use the micro transaction function which will spend money off the linked credit card to the account.

How do I report / unfriend another user?

Users can report other users for harassment, inappropriate language, bullying and hacking.

To report

Fortnite recently updated their standard contact interface to accommodate player reports. Just click 'Email Us' and fill out the required fields. After selecting the Product and Game Mode, select Report Player as the Issue Type. This will make sure these reports are routed to the correct team.

A few helpful tips when reporting players:

Make sure to include the player's full in-game name, spelled as accurately as possible! If it looks like the player is using unusual or uncommon characters in their in-game name, screenshots are totally acceptable documentation. Speaking of screenshots: screenshots & video are incredibly useful for validation. If you captured screenshots or videos of the offence, attach them. If you have links to streaming video of bad behaviour, include them!

<http://fortnitehelp.epicgames.com/customerportal/articles/2843190>

If a user wants to delete a 'friend' within the game they can simply go to the icon on the top right of the screen with the three figures and select the user and click 'unfriend'. There is no way to block a user in the game. If a user is harassing another user they should follow the appropriate steps above to report them.

Make sure you talk to your child about appropriate behaviour whilst they are playing video games. It is never okay to bully or be mean to other players. If your child is getting bullied or harassed make sure they know that they can always come to you or a trusted adult for assistance.

If things get too intense within the game, make sure they know that they can always mute other players or simply leave the game. Your young person also needs to be aware to never disclose personal or private information to other users within the game and to only talk to people about the game itself.

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