



ESCHOL PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Grapevine

Term 2 week 4

Dear parents & caregivers

NAPLAN

The students in year 3 & 5 completed the Language, Writing, Reading and Numeracy assessments last week. Their behaviour was excellent and their attitude to the testing even better. All children tried hard and no one has been concerned about the tests. Thank you to the parents who did not over dramatize the tests and sent the children to school happy and reassured that they only need to do their best.

Kids, social media and privacy

Regardless of your child's age, the world may already know a lot more about them than you suspect.

According to recent research:

- 92% of children under the age of 2 have a digital shadow (- it starts with proud parents posting newborn baby photos on Facebook or Instagram)
- a quarter of Australian children 8 - 12 years old use Facebook, but the minimum age for a user is 13 years
- more than 20 per cent of tweens publish photos of themselves on Instagram
- young people 14 - 19 have an average of 453 fans, friends or followers on social media

Please review your family's privacy settings and discuss online security. You'll find lots of practical information and resources to share with your kids at

www.ipc.nsw.gov.au

Is your child making friends at school?

Kids who get on at school tend to be more engaged in learning. Here are some ideas on how to help your child with social skills:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning>

OUTSTANDING SPORTS CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to Caleb and Hunter for their recent fine sporting efforts. Caleb represented Sydney South West School Sport in Boys Basketball competing at Maitland. His team came 10th. Hunter represented Sydney South west in Primary School Tennis competing at Inverell. His team came 12th. Well done to both boys. We are very proud of you.



YOUNG CHAMPIONS AWARD

Congratulations to Elizabeth who was a Finalist in the Macarthur Young Champions Awards for her charity work and Youth Leadership in Scouting. Well done Elizabeth, we are very proud of you.



Mrs Karen Masciocchi
Principal



Dates for your diary

May

- 27 Swimming Scheme Starts
- 28 3K Drama Play Day Excursion
- 29 Year 6 High School Taster day
- 31 GALA Day 1

June

- 3-7 Swimming Scheme
- 11 P&C meeting @ 9am
- 14 Gala Day 2
- 19 9am K-2 Assembly, 2pm 3-6 Assembly
- 20 Stg 3 Quarantine Station Excursion
- 21 Book Club Due
- 25 Semester 1 reports sent home
- 27 3 Way Interviews (more information coming later)

Learning Awards

From Term 1 Week 9

KM	Kinder children will start to receive these awards in Term 2		
KW	Sapphire A		
K1P			
1JS	Ashwin P	Miranda H	
1H	Cooper S	Lilianas H	
2B	Cooper A	Oliviya C	
2J	Ashton B	Joshua H	
3K	Isabelle M	Jamil H	
3/4B	Caleb D	Riley E	
	Ashton H		
3/4S	Lily V	Logan G	
4H	Madison S	Keisha J	
5/6K	Luke C	Layla T	
5/6G	Miqueas A	Abdul T	
5/6N	Isaac-Paul E	Aisha F	

Awards : Positive Behaviour In our School playground

Term 2

Week 2: Natalie KM, Isabella 2J, Leah KW, Riley 4H, Mary-Kay 5/6K, Chase 3/4B, Ariel KM

Week 11: Andrew 1JS, Maya KM, Ashwin 1JS, Ahana 2J, Isabella 2J, Charlotte 2J



ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to our students who participated in the cross country carnival on Thursday. I know they represented our school with fabulous sportsmanship regardless of the place they come in the races. Thank you to the parents who manned the canteen on the oval. Your support is much appreciated by our teachers and students. Full details about place getters etc. will be in the next newsletter.

Lost property

Now that it is getting cooler in the mornings, lots of children wear a jacket to school, take it off at lunch time when it warms up, leave it on the playground and then forget to take it home. Sadly, many of the jackets in our Lost Property Box have no names on them and so can't be returned to their owners. PLEASE write your child's name on their belongings. If you are missing any clothing please come and look through the Lost Property Box and you may find your child's clothes there.

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