

# St George School Newsletter

Diana Murphy, Principal

11 March 2016

## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for supporting your child's learning program in 2016 by attending the personalised learning plan meetings we are holding this term.

We received positive feedback from families regarding the intensive swimming program. As discussed at last week's P&C meeting our second intensive swimming program that we ran in late November last year clashed with other end of year priorities. We are currently investigating a second program earlier in term 4.

## Upcoming Events



### Easter Hat Parade

On **Monday 21 March**, our Primary classes will star in the Easter Hat parade. We are looking forward to joining our primary classes in this event celebrating aspects of the Easter tradition.

### Harmony Day

We will be celebrating Harmony Day on **Tuesday 22 March** at our Assembly. Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and share what we have in common.

On Harmony Day we wear **orange**. The central message is 'everyone belongs'. This year, each team will be coming together, during assembly, to focus the diversity of cultures at St George School. The primary team will coordinate the visual representation of the 28 countries that come together at St George School. The Middle team will play instruments to the song 'We are Australian' and the Secondary team will demonstrate dance movements to the song.

### Easter Show

We are looking forward to our whole school excursion to the Easter Show on Thursday 24 March 2016.

On that day students will go straight to Homebush. In the afternoon, there may be some minor variations to the time of drop off in the afternoon as the drivers will be driving from Homebush. Please ensure you have the contact number of your driver.

Coordinating transport is a challenging task and I would like to thank Ana for her efforts in doing so.



## Key Dates:

Friday 18 March

**Coffee & Chat**

22 March **Harmony Day**

Thursday 24 March – **Easter Show School program excursion**

Friday 25 March - Monday 28 March

**Easter long weekend**

Friday 8 April – **Last day first term**

## March Birthdays



### Many happy returns to:

Kara Crawley – 17 years on 3 March

Angela Zhu – 18 years on 5 March

Dean Parratt – 11 years on 7 March

Thomas McMahon – 17 years on 10 March

Anthony Qiu - 6 years on 13 March

Ben Rein -10 years on 16 March

Ashleigh Kelly – 10 years on 17 March

Adania Evans – 9 years on 24 March

Lachlan Guiotto – 11 years on 26 March

## Celebrating student achievement this fortnight:

Congratulations to our award recipients:

Primary1: George Yu  
Primary 2: Winnie Lawrun  
Primary 3: Ben Rein  
Middle 1: Mark Maurizi and Hailee Scifleet  
Middle 2: Lauren Green  
Secondary 1: Mohammed Jomaa  
Secondary 2: Elliot Austin  
Secondary 3: Nafez Mohamad

Congratulations also to our Library award recipients.

Congratulations to students who participated in Operation Art last year. The artworks have been selected for a touring exhibition.

## Coffee & Chat

Our first Coffee & Chat session for this year is scheduled for **Friday 18 March**. I am continuing to investigate a guest speaker on NDIS to speak at one of Coffee & Chat sessions this year. On 18 March we will be looking at the NDIS site to become more familiar with the information available.

## Community Information:

- Smiles for Life –dental service for children with disabilities

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# CONGRATULATIONS

# ST GEORGE SCHOOL

Your artwork has been selected for  
the Operation Art 2016 Touring Exhibition

After being exhibited at the Art Gallery of New South Wales, it will tour regional art galleries  
and will then become part of The Children's Hospital at Westmead's permanent art collection.

*Operation Art is an initiative of The Children's Hospital at Westmead  
in association with The New South Wales Department of Education.*

*Young people creating artworks for children in hospital.*

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9<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Westmead Centre for Oral Health- Special Care Dental Unit has a strong focus on the oral health of young people attending special schools and also believe that parents and caregivers are important partners for oral health. Therefore, we would like to invite all parents/caregivers to our oral health education seminar called "**Smiles for Life- Oral Health Matters**"

**The program includes interactive presentations on:**

- Oral hygiene instruction and dietary advice
- How to recognise common dental conditions
- Practical advice for providing oral care for young people
- Tour of Westmead Centre for Oral Health (including Special Care Unit, Paediatrics Department, Emergency/Acute, Clinical Support Unit, Ambulatory Surgical Unit and Radiology)

**Location:** Westmead Educational Block –Seminar Room 3, (Main Hospital Entrance) Corner of Darcy Road and Hawkesbury Road, Westmead.

**Date:** Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May

**Time:** Registration from 10am. Program runs to 2pm - Morning tea and drinks will be provided.

**Please note that is program is free!**

Please fill in the attached form and return by email, post or fax marked-

Attention to: Special Care Dental Unit  
The Smiles for Life Team  
Westmead Centre for Oral Health  
PO Box 533, Wentworthville, NSW 2145.  
Fax to: 9845 5740

**RSVP by 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016**

**Please note that this seminar is aimed at parents and caregivers and is not appropriate for children to attend.**

We look forward to seeing you and if you have any queries please contact 9845 7423 or by email at [WSLHD-SmilesForLife@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:WSLHD-SmilesForLife@health.nsw.gov.au)

Thank you,

Yours Sincerely,  
**The Smiles for Life Team**





**Enrolment Form**

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Yes, I / We \_\_\_\_\_

will be attending the Smiles for Life

Program on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016.

Telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile No: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School your child attends: \_\_\_\_\_



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