

St George School Newsletter 29 June

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Diana Murphy, Principal

2017

Key Dates:

Pupil Free Day
Monday 17 July 2017

School resumes for students – Term 3
Tuesday 18 July 2017

NAIDOC week celebrations
Tuesday 25 July 2017

Superhero Day Fundraiser
Thursday 27 July 2017

Jeans 4 Genes Day Fundraiser
Friday 4 August 2017

Education Week Open Day
Wednesday 9 August 2017

Crazy Hair Day Fundraiser
Friday 11 August 2017

Musica Viva Performance
Thursday 17 August 2017

Message from Ana and Diana

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ana for leading and managing the school this term. It has been a very busy term and Ana has managed the operation of the school effortlessly and with the utmost efficiency. We would both like to wish you a wonderful break....especially from daily school routines. We look forward to continued learning and valuable experiences in Term 3. Students return to school on **Tuesday 18 July 2017**.

Some highlights from last week....

Visit from a Paralympian....Daniel Michel

On Monday 19 June we were fortunate to have a visit from Daniel Michel. Daniel is a Paralympian who competed in Boccia in the 2017 Rio Olympic Games. Daniel shared his journey and experience of participating in the Olympic Games. It was wonderful to gain an insight as to the training and daily commitment of being an elite athlete.





June Birthdays

Happy birthday to.....

Joshua Sale who turned 17 on 1 June

Matthew Chiotis who turned 13 on 10 June

Alysia Dalianis who turned 12 on 2 June

Oliver Mai who turned 10 on 16 June

Lara Palmer who turned 9 on 4 June

Ismail Flewellen who turned 8 on 24 June

Sophie Groll who turned 7 on the 4 June

Joshua Welch who turned 7 on the 16 June

Mateo Farinaro who turned 6 on the 24 June

Celebrating Ability.....

Student Assembly Awards

Congratulations to our award winners for the assembly held on 27 June

Principals Awards

- **Shafia Diab** for using her hands to colour & paste in activities
- **George Yu** for great communication during mealtimes
- **Joshua Welch** for pressing the switch during storytime
- **Lara Palmer** for her willingness to use her walker for 15 mins
- **Oliver Mai** for using eye gaze technology to communicate in morning circle
- **Ben Rein** for making great leisure choices
- **Darcie Glacken-Tonnet** for making clear choices during canteen duty
- **Tahlia Chigioni** for remaining seated during morning circle for 2 consecutive days
- **Oscar Young** for peddling a bike with some independence
- **Oscar Young** for excellent sitting and standing during his Physiotherapy program
- **Charlie Cash** for looking and tracking objects during his play program

Sports awards: Gerisimos Kizi

Boccia Team: Jordan Hunt, Joshua Sale, Mohammed Jomaa, Brett Houdek, Lauren Green, Julia Wainwright, Jay Smith,

Library award: Kevin Yun

Music awards: Angel- Rose Papapavlos, Josh Welch, Kevin Yun, Hailee Scifleet, Luke Hanna, Shafia Diab, George Yu, Josie Fishwick, Allegra Watkins, Ittai Shveibish

School Uniforms for Sale



If you would like to purchase uniform items for your child, the school has a uniform pool with both new and second hand clothes which can be purchased.

Contact the office to place an order or to buy items in stock 95882400



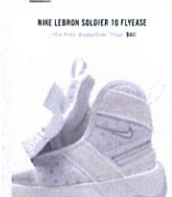
Important events next term

We are celebrating **Education Week** on **Wednesday 9 August 2017**.

Please mark this date in your calendar. An invitation will be forwarded early next term. See details of Education Week across NSW in this newsletter.

We are also celebrating **Book Week** in the week commencing 21 August. The theme for this year is **'Escape to Everywhere'**

For your information: Josie has a new pair of books to wear when we put her AFOS on. They have 3 Velcro tabs that basically open up the front of the shoe for easy placement over AFOS. They are easy and fail proof (no more squashed toes) *The Nike Lebron Soldier 10 Flyease*



Sibling Drumming Workshop

Our annual sibling drumming workshop was another success last week. Families came together to share in some music and develop some drumming skills facilitated by *The Rhythm Village*. Students enjoyed sharing this experience with their siblings. We would like to thank the St George Children with Disabilities Fund for providing the funds to enable this event to occur.



Education Week Theme

#EDWEEK17

I LEARN.**WE LEARN.**

Education Week is a state-wide, annual event to celebrate public education in NSW. This year it will be held from 31 July to 4 August. We are celebrating on Wednesday 8 August 2017. This year's theme is *I Learn, We Learn*. It is a celebration of our schools' commitment to ensuring:



System-wide improvement

Every student, every teacher, every leader and every school will improve every year.



High expectations for all

A culture of high expectations for our students and our educators sets high standards, which leads to high achievement.



Personalised student learning

By teaching to the strengths and needs of each individual, students will be better able to reach and exceed their potential.



Wellbeing

Every student will be known, cared for and respected.



Creating stronger ties with local communities

Parents and carers are our schools' partners in the education and wellbeing of each student. Partnerships with local businesses and industry create opportunities for our students to contribute to and thrive in society.

Working with Children Check

The Working with Children Check (WWCC) was introduced in NSW a number of years ago to ensure that all child related work environments including schools followed procedures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children.

All staff in NSW schools will need to have a WWCC by November 2017 in order to retain employment with the Department of Education.

The WWCC also impacts on all volunteers, contractors, therapists and other professionals working in schools. From next term all therapists, volunteers and other professionals will need to complete Appendix 11 in order to work, paid or unpaid, at St George School. I have attached Appendix 11 for your information.

The link to Appendix 11 is also available on the department's site at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/working-with-children-check-policy>

Your support of the department's policy and implementation procedures is appreciated.

Staffing next term

Ana Mowle will continue to relieve as Principal in term 3 as I will continue to work in the State Office of the department. I hope to return to school some time in third term. I have continued to be involved with the school and will continue to do so.

Ana's support and the support of the school are sincerely appreciated.

Payment options at St George School

There are various ways families can make payment to the school, as required:

- 1) POP (parent online payment) – on the school website, click on Make a Payment

<http://www.stgeorge-s.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

- 2) Eftpos, if visiting the school
- 3) By phone for credit card payment
- 4) Cash
- 5) Cheque.

Direct deposit, electronic funds transfer is not available as an option.

Community Notices:

1. Rhythm Village – Holiday workshops
2. Go4Fun

St George School
2a Marshall St
Kogarah NSW 2217
Ph: 9588 2400

Website: <http://www.stgeorge-s.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Join us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgessp>

Email: stgeorge-s.school@det.nsw.edu.au





Appendix 11 – Declaration for child related work – Specified volunteer/child related contractor



This declaration must be completed by:

Volunteers who are

- Working as part of a formal mentoring program (whether or not a parent or close relative at the school at which they are volunteering) or
- Involved in intimate, personal care of children with a disability (whether or not a parent or close relative at the school at which they are volunteering) or
- Not a parent or close relative of a student at the school at which they are volunteering

Contractors who are

- Ordinarily involved in direct contact with children (for e.g. Speech Pathologists, health workers, band tutors, music tutors)

Those workers **listed above** need to provide the school with this completed form, a WWCC clearance and 100 points of ID in order that they can be verified via eCPC. This documentation will be filed in secure storage at the school for 7 years post employment/engagement.

Category of worker:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Specified volunteer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child related contractor
<input type="checkbox"/>	Duke of Edinburgh Assessor

Surname	First Name	Middle Name
Previous Names/Aliases	Date of Birth	Gender
Employee ID (if known)	Telephone	Mobile Phone
Email Address		Work Phone
Address 1 (Number, Street Name)		Mobile
Address 2 (Suburb/City)		State Postcode
Suburb/City/Town of Birth	State of Birth (Australia Only)	Country of Birth
Country of Citizenship	DOB	WWCC clearance

Please provide details of the approved documents according to the 100 point proof of ID check (100 point proof of ID is not required for Duke of Edinburgh Assessors)		
Document Name	Issuing Agency	Reference number

I declare that:

1. I have no criminal convictions in the past ten years and am not subject to any pending court proceedings relating to a criminal matter in Australia or overseas.
2. I have no convictions that cannot become spent within the meaning of the *Criminal Records Act 1991* including but not limited to:
 - (i) convictions for which a prison sentence of more than six months has been imposed; or
 - (ii) convictions for sexual offences.
3. In making this declaration, I understand that "conviction" is defined in the *Criminal Records Act 1991* and includes a conviction, whether summary or on indictment, for an offence, and includes a finding or order that an offence has been proved, or that a person is guilty of an offence, without proceeding to a conviction.

I am aware that providing false or misleading information in this document may lead to the following:

- the department withdrawing any offer of engagement that it has made to me; or
- the department terminating my engagement, or taking disciplinary action which may include my dismissal; and
- the department considering any false or misleading information I provide, when considering any future applications by me for engagement.

Signature	Date
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Do you have a child with special needs?



Come and join us for a **FREE** music event July school holidays

Bayside Council & South Eastern Sydney Local Health District "Doing it Differently" grant recipient **Sam Steele** is hosting **The Rhythm Village** to deliver interactive music workshops that are fun and engaging; ensuring everyone is entertained and participating, by hitting some drums, shaking maracas, or by simply dancing and moving along to the music!

Run in a group, each participant is given the opportunity to 'shine', to create sound and music, to explore their own creativity and push their physical boundaries.

Come and meet some other carers ☺

We look forward to seeing you and your child on the day for a fun session of creating music and making memories!



*****Siblings welcome*****

Thank you to sponsorship and support through their "Doing it Differently" Community Grants.



THE RHYTHM VILLAGE
MUSIC SPEAKS BEYOND WORDS

July School Holidays

Thursday 6th July

Thursday 13th July

All workshops will be held at:

Kogarah Community Services

49 English Street

Kogarah NSW 2217

Music session 10:30 - 11:30am

light lunch 11:30 - 12:30am

Limited numbers RSVP essential

Please call **Sam** on 0425820625 or email sammi.131@hotmail.com

There is a strict number limit so first in first served

These workshops are for children **under the age of 18**

Please note that a carer or parent must be present at all times!



Healthy • Active • Happy • Kids

Go4Fun is a healthy lifestyle program to improve the health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence in children aged between 7-13 years. Go4Fun runs for 10 weeks during school term for children and their parents.

Term 3 Locations:

HURSTVILLE AQUATIC CENTRE - MON 17TH JULY 4-6pm

MIRANDA SKYZONE - WED 19TH JULY 4-6pm

RANDWICK COMMUNITY CENTRE - THUR 20TH JULY 4-6pm

UNSW UNIGYM - SAT 22ND JULY 9-11am



Local Contact: 9382 8641



Free call 1800 780 900
Or visit www.go4fun.com.au