



# St George School 2019 Newsletter

Diana Murphy, Principal

Date: 9 April 2019

## Key Dates:

**11 April – Primary classes  
Easter hat parade and  
Easter egg hunt**

**12 April – Last day of term 1**

**25 April – ANZAC Day**

**29 April – school reopens  
for school staff – school  
development day**

**30 April – students return  
to school**

**1 May - Sailability  
commences at Kogarah  
Bay**

## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to thank families for their support and participation in education. For some of our families it has been a tough term with ill health and hospitalisation. We send best wishes for a speedy recovery to our students who are not well.





## End of term

First term will finish this week on **Friday 12 April 2019**. School resumes for students on **Tuesday 30 April 2019**. School staff will participate in professional learning on Monday 29 April. We will be looking at student wellbeing, code of conduct and using technology in the classroom.

## End of term events

This week we have Anzac day commemoration on Tuesday 9 April.

Easter Hat parade and Easter egg hunt for the primary classes on Thursday 11 April. We are looking forward to joining our primary classes in this event celebrating aspects of the Easter tradition.

Families are welcome to attend. The event commences at 11.20am - just after recess.

Disco for the secondary classes on Thursday 11 April.

## Musica Viva

On Tuesday 26 March the whole school participated in the performance of *Da Vinci's Apprentice*. The four musicians from Musica Viva entertained the students with the history, culture and society, science and music of the times of Leonardo Da Vinci. The musicians provided a combination of acting and singing. Students had the opportunity to listen to the instruments of the 16th century: the theorbo (like a guitar but over a metre in length), the cornetto (similar to a flute with a broad range) and the viola da gamba (similar to a cello).



## Many happy returns to our April birthdays

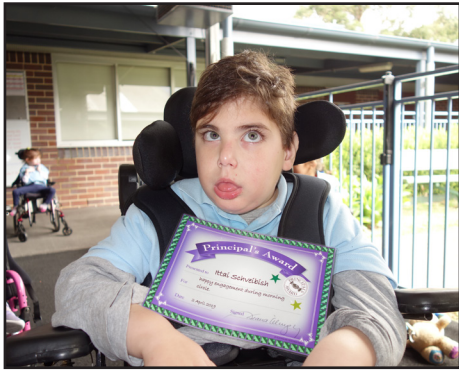
**Ruby Balkwell turning 16**  
on 10 April

**James O'Malley turning 14**  
on 13 April

**Kyah McGroder turning 6**  
on 19 April

**Lauren Green turning 18**  
on 20 April





## Celebrating Ability

*Congratulations to our award recipients for the assembly held last Tuesday 2 April 2019.*

**Johanna Hammoud** for engagement during the Musica Viva performance

**Edith Gilmore** for outstanding participation and trying new things at school

**Oscar Young** for counting to 30 using his head switch

**Ittai Schveibish** for being happily engaged during morning circle

**Oliver Mai** for happy engagement during morning circle

**Eloise Barth** for independently reaching out to push the ball during Bowling

**Nicholas Threlfo** for making very considered choices during the class footy tipping Program

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**Matthew Chiotis** for demonstrating a good understanding of even numbers from 1 – 20.

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## Sports Awards

**Julia Wainwright** for demonstrating captain skills when selecting her Boccia team

**Sophie Groll** for enjoying bowling when using her feet to push the ball down the ramp.

## Sailability

Sailability commences next term on Wednesday. A schedule for classes has been developed. The cost per student is \$10. You will receive advice about this cost when your class teacher sends home the excursion note.

## Mothers' Day Stall

Sarah Parratt, Lauren Scifleet and a number of other mothers are busy preparing gifts for students to purchase at our Mothers Day Stall to be held on Friday 10 May. Sarah and Lauren are preparing potted plants and candles. Our thanks go to our mothers who are working towards playground equipment for the school. They wish to donate the equipment in memory of Fay Chiotis who supported our school for many years in her role as P&C President.





## Community Notices

1. My Time – supporting parents of children with disabilities  
The group is run by Chantal Kayam mother of Vanessa
2. The Shine Shed – all abilities play centre located at 5 Mount Erin Rd Campbelltown.

## Anzac Day Assembly

At school today we held a special assembly to commemorate Anzac Day. During the ceremony the students in the primary classes recognised the contribution of nurses during war times. The classes identified words that captured the spirit and devotion of nurses during in war: healing the injured, writing letters on behalf of the wounded, caring, listening and comforting. The secondary classes captured the role of women during war and the broad range of work that women did to support the war efforts ranging from mechanical work to sewing, nursing, buying war coupons, farm work.

Our school captains Lauren Green and Julia Wainwright laid a wreath under the flagpole before the Last Post and one minute silence.

Special thanks to Violeta Bakrdanikoska for preparing the wreath for the service.

On Anzac Day which will be held during the school holidays, I will represent the school at a special service organised by Kogarah RSL.

## Staffing next term

Next term, following school development day, I will be on leave for three days per week and working at the department state office for the other two days. I will continue to be in touch and involved with the school during the term. I will attend the P&C meeting.

Annette Fuller will relieve as principal during this time. Annette is currently leader of the secondary team and has been an executive at St George School for a number of years and previously assistant principal at Wairoa School in Bondi. Annette is a generous, dedicated and successful leader. She has relieved as principal previously at St George School.

Eve Campbell will relieve as assistant principal. Eve will be the team leader for the primary team and Janelle Ferguson will move over to be the team leader of the secondary team. Eve is an outstanding leader and has had many years as a substantive assistant principal at Bates Drive School and Wairoa School. We welcome Eve to the assistant principal role at St George School.