#### CARDIFF NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

A hidden treasure where every student is known, valued and cared for

### BULLETIN

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Term 4 Week 6 20th November 2019



#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### Friday 22nd November

Senior Touch Gala Day

#### Fridays until 6th December

Dance2BFit

#### **Monday 25th November**

Aboriginal Education Workshop - 2.30pm in Library

#### **Tuesday 26th November**

Swimming Carnival

#### **Tuesday 3rd December**

Cardiff High School Orientation Day - 9.15am-1.30pm Parent Information Meeting - 5pm

#### Wednesday 11th December

Presentation Day - 9.15am

#### **Thursday 12th December**

Year 6 Farewell

#### Wednesday 18th December

Students' last day of school for 2019

#### **Permission Notes and Payments Due**

#### **Swimming Carnival \$11**

Payment due Thursday 21st November

**Voluntary Contribution \$40** 

#### **OVERDUE**

**Walkathon Sponsorship Money** 

#### Stage 3 Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser

Money & leftover chocolates

#### Stage 3 Excursion \$345

Payment, Medical Note & Online Medical Details

#### Dance2BFit \$26

MusicaViva \$6.50

**Swimming Scheme \$85** 

#### Walkathon

Permission Note

#### **Absence Notification by SMS Note**

**PSSA \$50** 

Matific \$11

#### **Assistant Principal's Message**

This term staff success stories have been celebrated via our Staff Chronicle, introduced and created by our extremely talented Instructional Leader, Mrs Kuba. Staff have been working with the instructional leadership team to implement best practice in writing.



All classrooms display visible learning intentions and success criteria to support each students' understanding of what it is they need to do to achieve in each lesson. The writing process that the students are working through can be seen in the classrooms, with samples of student work at each stage of the process. This is often accompanied by an artwork that compliments the text that they are working on.





We are so lucky to have such a dedicated and highly skilled staff in front of our students' every day at Cardiff North PS. All staff at CNPS are committed to being 'lifelong learners' and continually reflect on their own practice to ensure they are the best they can be!

#### Chloe Lindsay

Relieving Assistant Principal
Cardiff North Public School
A proud member of the Cardiff Community of Schools

#### Sick Bay

From time to time, students visit our sick bay if they are feeling unwell or need minor first aid treatment. From this week, students who visit sick bay and are well enough to return to class will be issued with a 'sick bay slip' to take home. This slip provides parents with a brief summary of their child's sick bay stay.

As usual, if your child is not well enough to return to class, parents will be phoned.

#### **Home Reading**

Our home reading program will conclude on **Friday 29th November**. Please ensure your child's home reading journal is returned to school on this day. At Presentation Day, students with 200 nights home reading will be rewarded with a book prize and students with 220+ nights home reading will be rewarded with a medal.

#### **Aboriginal Education Workshop**

We will be holding our next Aboriginal Parent and Community Workshop on **Monday 25th November from 2:30pm - 3pm in the Library**. The draft Acknowledgment of Country will be presented. We will also be planning key events and ideas to be implemented in 2020.

Everyone is welcome to attend to share ideas and have a yarn!

Aboriginal Education Team

#### **Overdue Payments**



A reminder to families who have recently received a Statement of Account that these fees are overdue. Please pay any outstanding amounts by **Wednesday 4th December** to allow the office to meet their end of year financial obligations.

You may request student assistance through the office to help with these payments.

Payments can be made by cash or EFTPOS at the school office or online via the school website <a href="https://cardiffnth-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/">https://cardiffnth-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/</a>.

#### **Swimming Carnival**

Our whole school Swimming Carnival is being held next **Tuesday 26th November** at Lambton Pool. Please ensure that your child is at school before 9am to ensure the buses are able to leave on time. Buses will depart Lambton Pool at approximately 2pm to return to school.

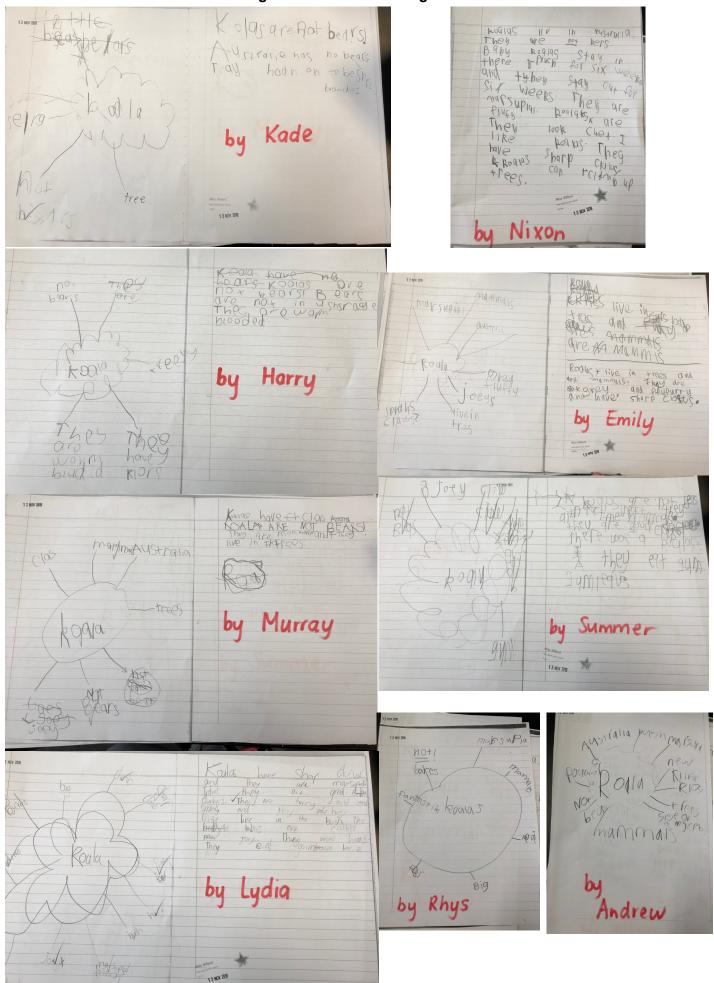
The cost of the Swimming Carnival is \$11 which covers pool entry and the bus fare. The payment deadline has been extended until Monday 25th November to allow us to finalise numbers with Lambton Pool.

Students who have not paid will be unable to attend the Swimming Carnival. You may request student assistance through the office to help with this payment.



#### KG

#### A Light Touch of the Writing Process





## P&C NEWS



#### **P&C MEETINGS**

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th December 2019 at 6pm in the library.

#### **Uniform Shop Hours**

TUESDAYS and

**WEDNESDAYS** from 2.45pm

Order forms available from the office

EFTPOS is now available in the Uniform Shop during Uniform Shop hours.

Please note that there is a 1.9% transaction fee to use this facility.



Have your kids grown out of their school uniforms?



The Uniform Shop accepts pre-loved uniforms.

Please send in via the school office any day or directly to the uniform shop on Tuesday or Wednesday afternoons.

#### **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DONATIONS**



Helpers are required to source and collect donations for our Christmas Raffle. A letter will be provided by the P&C to assist and can be given to potential donors. Please see Kimberley Bristow or the school office if you are able to help.

#### **P&C Positions To Be Filled**

The P&C are seeking volunteers to fill the following positions:

- ⇒ Treasurer
- ⇒ Canteen Supervisor

Please see the office if you are interested in either position or would like more information.

## **End of Term Reward...**

Despite our best efforts, we were not able to source a local organisation who could provide a bubble soccer experience at our school. With current water restrictions in place, we are also unable to organise a 'water play' experience for students. We are, however, able to provide free play on the oval for all eligible students. This was one of our three options students voted for last term. Please see below for a sneak peek of some of the exciting free play activities that will be provided.

No more than one day in the SOS room for a negative incident

No more than one day sent to buddy class for a negative incident

## WHOLE SCHOOL FREE PLAY

Enjoy some free play on the oval with lots of games, obstacles and fun!





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## insights

# Spending time with kids: How much is enough?

by Dr Jodi Richardson



The need to spend time with their parents differs for different kids. For some, there's no end to the time they'd spend with you. However, other kids feel differently. There's no right answer.

I'm fortunate to have the flexibility that allows me to spend a great deal of time with my children. However, my nine year old daughter wants to spend more time with me. My eleven year old son, on the other hand, is content either way.

#### Australia ranks first

According to a recent study Australian parents rank number one among OECD countries (including most of Europe, North America, the UK and Finland) when it comes to spending time with their kids. The lion's share of this time is still invested by mums, but Australian dads are ahead of those from many other countries, averaging around 70 minutes a day with their children.

#### The source of misplaced parental guilt

According to research published in the Journal of Marriage and Family, not spending enough time with children is the biggest source of parental guilt in Australia.

The researchers also found that it's quality, not quantity of time children spend with parents that's important for their emotional wellbeing, achievement and behaviour for kids aged 3-11 years. The researchers concluded that volume of time doesn't matter. It's much more important how time is spent with your children when you are together. This in no way advocates for absentee parenting. It's about making the most of the family time you have and reducing feelings of stress for you if you can't be around as much as you'd like to be.

Here are some ideas to help make sure you optimise the time you spend with your kids:

- Create a tradition of one-on-one time with each of your kids around an activity that you both enjoy, such as a cafe catch up over a milkshake, shooting hoops or playing a favourite board game
- Read regularly to each other, as these are special times of connection, especially in bed at night
- Eat meals together as a family so you can all catch up and connect this is worth its weight in gold when it comes to quality time
- Pay attention to your children, watching for cues that they're in need of extra time with you
- Adolescents benefit from spending extra time with their parents. Through interactions with their parents

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teenagers can learn to make better decisions about their health, improve their academic achievement and experience better wellbeing

- Take an interest in their interests. Connect with your children through the activities that they value such as
  music, sport or games, even if they aren't hobbies you don't normally enjoy. Your kids will appreciate you
  making the effort and will respond accordingly
- Be present when you're with your kids. Research shows our minds can wander up to 47% of the time when we
  are with our loved ones. If you're present with our kids, you won't miss out on nearly half of that precious
  time.

Be mindful of the importance of unstructured time for kids. That is, time they spend playing alone or with siblings and friends. Play is essential for our kids' wellbeing and development. Play changes as our kids grow up but as long as whatever they're doing is child-led, it's play. This is the time to leave them to it.



#### **Dr Jodi Richardson**

Jodi is a happiness and wellbeing speaker and writer, and is mum to two primary school aged kids who light her up. For more great ideas on flourishing mental health for the whole family, subscribe to her newsletter at drjodirichardson.com.au and say hello on facebook.com/DrJodiRichardson. Enquiries to jodi@drjodirichardson.com.au