



Ross Hill Public School

Monday 5th March 2018

Week 6 Term 1

What's On ...

Week 6

Monday 5th March

- Northwest swimming carnival
- Support unit drama classes @ school

Tuesday 6th March

- Support Unit water confidence program

Wednesday 7th March

- Whole school assembly

Thursday 8th March

- School disco for Infants and Primary Students
- Kindergarten Nursery Rhyme Day

Friday 9th March

- Zone football (soccer)
- Stage Two sport @ Complex

Week 7

Monday 12th March

- Support unit drama class

Friday 16th March

- North West boys and girls Basketball trials

Week 8

Friday 23rd March

- Zone rugby league and touch boys and girls

Week 9

Monday 26th March

- Northern boys and girls soccer trials

Parent/Teacher Interviews

On Monday, 12th March we will be giving parents an opportunity to meet with the teachers to discuss student progress so far this year and Personal Learning Support Plans. The booking sheets will go home today—please select 3 possible appointment times and return to your child's teacher as soon as possible. Please note siblings on the booking sheet to assist with making consecutive appointments. The interviews will be held in the School Hall and are in 15 minute slots. At Ross Hill Public School the parent and teacher partnership is valued in the education journey of our students.

Zone Swimming Carnival

We would like to congratulate our students who competed in the Zone Swimming Carnival. We are very proud of the level of competition and success of all students, both in and out of the pool. Congratulations and best wishes to the 14 students selected to go on to the North West Swimming Carnival in Armidale today to compete in individual and relay events.

School Disco

Just a reminder—we hope everyone has bought their tickets for our school disco's on Thursday. This is school fundraiser for Relay for Life.

Infants (K-2) starts at 5pm –6:30pm and Primary (Yr3-6) starts at 6:30pm and ends at 8pm for parent pick-up! School Disco's are fully supervised and lots of fun.



Stage Two Sport



P&C Canteen & Uniform Shop News:

Thank you everyone for supporting the canteen. A big thank you to our new Year 6 monitors. They are doing a fantastic job in their new roles. Uniforms can be brought online from the canteen by using Munch Monitor. This is a great service provided by our wonderful P&C. It helps make life easier when parents are busy. When ordering online primary school children just come and pick up from the lunch window. If your child is in infants the uniforms will be delivered to the classroom and handed out by the teacher. The uniform shop still has plenty of dresses, boys shirts and sport shirts still available all at reasonable prices. We do not handle second hand clothing due to lack of space.

Week 6	Fantastic Helpers
Mon 5/3	Ann Bussey, Josie Sheck
Tues 6/3	Jodie Haidle, Carleigh Hall
Wed 7/3	Therese McGann
Thurs 8/3	Michelle Blackburn, Carleigh Hall
Fri 9/3	Ann Bussey, Kristy Withers

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Library News Week 5

Library Borrowers Raffle

It is fabulous to see so many students borrowing books this week. If a student borrows they receive a ticket in the "Borrowers Raffle". This will be drawn Monday 5th March.

1st Prize: Book

2nd Prize: Pen

3rd Prize: Book mark

Good luck to all those who have entered.

Stage 3 Library Lessons

This week 5/6 students will commence reading "Wonder" by R.J. Palacio. This uplifting and moving novel stars August Pullman, a 10-year-old boy with a severe facial disfigurement. When he joins mainstream school after years of home-schooling. He has to contend with friendships, fall-outs and bullying, but manages to maintain an upbeat attitude throughout it all. There are many underlying messages in this novel and the students are guaranteed to enjoy!

Sports Calender

Cricket

- Zone cricket trials Monday 9th April
- Northern cricket trials Thursday 3rd May
- North West girls cricket trials Friday 4th May
- North West Cricket trails Monday 14th May

Cross Country

- School Cross Country Friday 11th May
- Zone Cross Country Friday 25th May
- North West Cross Country Friday 15th June

Netball

- Zone netball trials Thursday 7th June
- Netball all schools cup Wednesday 13th June

Football (soccer)

- Zone football trials Friday 9th March
- Northern boys and Girls soccer trials Monday 26th March
- North West soccer trials Thursday 5th April

Swimming

- North West Swimming Carnival Monday 5th March
- PSSA Swimming Wednesday 11th April & Thursday 12th April

Tennis

- North West tennis trials Friday 2nd March

Basketball

- North West boys & girls basket ball trials Friday 16th March

Rugby league

- Zone Rugby League and touch for both boys and girls Friday 23rd March
- Northern Rugby League trials Friday 6th April
- North West Rugby Trials Friday 4th May

Rugby Union

- Zone Rugby Union/Trials Monday 7th May
- Northern Rugby Trials Thursday 24th May
- North West Rugby Union trials Friday 1st June

Touch football

- North West Touch trials Monday 21st May

2018 Inverell Show

Once again this year, Ross Hill students supported the Inverell show with 100 entries, exhibiting in needle work, handicrafts and fine arts. A fabulous effort everyone. Success was achieved in each category. All award winners will be acknowledged at our next whole school assembly on Wednesday 7th March. All show entries are being exhibited in the School Hall and front office area, so please take some time to appreciate our artistic students. A special thank you to Mrs Baker and Mrs Evans for helping to collect artworks from the primary students and to the art monitors for assisting with hanging the art works. Congratulations everyone.

UNSW Competitions 2018

We are currently taking entries of students (years 3-6), who are interested in participating in the University of NSW Australasian School Competitions. Every student entering these competitions receives a certificate acknowledging participation. Students are eligible for awards including High Distinction, Distinction and Credit Certificates. There are 6 competitions to enter – Digital Technologies (Computer Skills), Science, Spelling, Writing, English and Mathematics. These competitions are an international benchmark of learning progress, and provide students with opportunities to sit an external test and apply their higher-order thinking and problem solving skills. Data from the competitions gives parents valuable feedback on student progress. Entry forms will be sent home Monday Week 7, and extra entry forms are available from the school office. **All entry forms, complete with payment, are due back by Friday 16th March.** No late entries can be accepted.



Attendance

Did you know if students miss as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a year of education? Once enrolled children are required to attend school each day it is open for instruction. When reasons for absences are provided to the school by parents, Principals are accountable for their decision to record a student's absence as justified. Principals may decline to accept as satisfactory an explanation for an absence and will record that absence as unjustified. Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when absences explained as being due to illness are frequent or prolonged. It is the responsibility of parents or carers to make sure that their children attend school each day that the school is open for instruction or other activity. It is important to understand that parents (including carers) may be prosecuted if children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unjustified absences from school.

Crunch & Sip

Crunch&Sip® is a set time in primary schools for students to refuel on fruit and salad vegetables and rehydrate with water. Research has shown that students who are not hungry and are well hydrated perform better in the classroom, show increased concentration and are less likely to be irritable and disruptive. Crunch&Sip® gives students the opportunity to eat at least one serve of fruit or vegetables a day and can help increase their overall total daily intake.

What to pack for Crunch&Sip®

- A bottle of water

And either: A whole piece of fruit or vegetables (in season to lower costs) - A small container of bite sized fruit or vegetables.

