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## Term 4 Week 2 2021

### COVID update



#### Masks and face coverings

Masks are mandatory for all staff and all students in Year 7 and above while they are indoors and outdoors on school sites unless they are eating or exercising. Masks are strongly recommended

for primary students both indoors and outdoors unless eating or exercising.

Students should bring their own masks where possible, but schools will have back-up supplies just in case.

Masks are mandatory for all travel on public transport for children 13 years and older.

#### Physical distancing

All adults must keep 1.5 metres distance from each other, including teachers and support staff, and parents and carers waiting to collect children.

Physical distancing between children in the same class is not required under the latest health guidelines. Mixing between class groups will be minimised and students will be supported to follow strict hygiene practices like:

- regularly washing hands
- not sharing drinks or food
- coughing or sneezing into their elbow, or else using a tissue which should be put in the bin straight away
- filling water bottles from bubblers rather than using the bubbler directly

#### School cleaning and hygiene supplies

Schools continue to receive additional cleaning in line with advice from NSW Health.

We have received extra supplies of soap, hand sanitiser, toilet paper, paper towels, disinfectant wipes and personal protective equipment and can order more as needed.

#### School activities

Many school-based activities remain on hold, including large celebrations such as presentation days and graduations, arts and sports events. For a full list of what is permitted and

what is on hold, refer to [education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families](https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families).

#### Visitors

Only essential visitors are allowed on school sites at this time. When dropping off or picking up your child, parents and carers need to stay outside school grounds, you will need to wear a mask and physically distance. Some exceptions may exist for:

- schools for specific purposes
- vulnerable students
- students with disability
- preschools.

In these instances, follow the vaccination and mask-wearing requirements and sign in using the Service NSW QR code when entering the school.

### Congratulations Callum

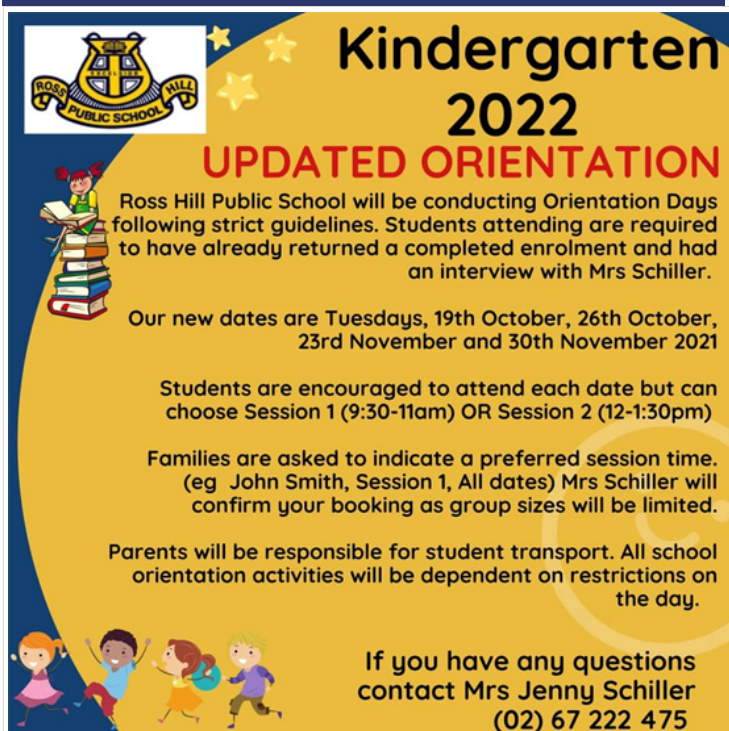


Congratulations Callum! Our local member Adam Marshall reported that "It was great to meet budding designer and Ross Hill Public School student Callum Walls recently - and his mum Cassie - to

discuss his plans to massively expand the Inverell Skatepark. Callum, and avid user of the skatepark, worked feverishly during the school holidays on his plans to add new elements to the park, based on his visits to skateparks in Coffs Harbour and Tamworth."

Callum also met with Inverell Shire Council General Manager Paul Henry to discuss his plans.

## Kindergarten Orientation



**Kindergarten 2022**  
**UPDATED ORIENTATION**

Ross Hill Public School will be conducting Orientation Days following strict guidelines. Students attending are required to have already returned a completed enrolment and had an interview with Mrs Schiller.

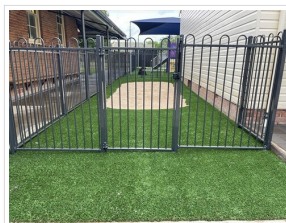
Our new dates are Tuesdays, 19th October, 26th October, 23rd November and 30th November 2021

Students are encouraged to attend each date but can choose Session 1 (9:30-11am) OR Session 2 (12-1:30pm)

Families are asked to indicate a preferred session time. (eg John Smith, Session 1, All dates) Mrs Schiller will confirm your booking as group sizes will be limited.

Parents will be responsible for student transport. All school orientation activities will be dependent on restrictions on the day.

**If you have any questions contact Mrs Jenny Schiller (02) 67 222 475**



## Library News

### Scholastic Book Club Issue 7

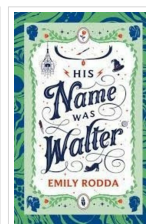
Issue 7 of Book Club have been distributed to students. Please ensure all orders are returned to the front office by Wednesday 21st October. If you are ordering online, please place your order by this date also. Late orders will not be accepted.

### Overdue Books

Due to home learning in Term 3, many students' library books are overdue. Overdue notices will be distributed to students over the next two weeks. If you have an overdue book, please return to the library ASAP. Please endeavour to return books on a weekly basis to avoid receiving a notice.

### New Titles

We are updating our library collection each week. Keep an eye out for new and exciting titles ready to take home and enjoy!



## Principals Assembly awards



I am very pleased to share that our Term 3 Principals Awards will be presented to students this week. As we are currently unable to hold assemblies, I will be presenting each award in class and look forward to sharing some photos in our next newsletter.

Congratulations to all those receiving awards. We are very proud of your efforts and achievement.

## Year 2 Swimming School



**SAVE THE DATE.** Year 2 Intensive Swimming lessons are booked in for weeks 5 and 6 (Monday 1st November to Friday 12th November). The intensive

program provides daily instructions for all ability and water confidence levels with skills being practised and reinforced over the course of 2 weeks. This activity is dependent on Covid restrictions being lifted to allow this activity to occur.

## School Works

We are very excited to share photos of some of the projects that have been completed at school. Our Special Education Unit received a new sandpit and softfall for their play area and 2 wet areas were installed for classes. The staffroom also gained some new cupboards and an oven which will be great for class cooking. A huge thank you goes to Mr Luxford for his management of the projects.

## EOI - Aboriginal position

A temporary position for relieving Aboriginal Education Officer is currently available at Ross Hill. For further information please contact Ross Hill on 6722 2475.

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## Mathematics Challenge

Can you find the value of the ?. Hint: You will need to work out the value of each symbol first.

