

Cambridge Park Public School

Exceptional learning opportunities for all



Term 1 Week 2



Cambridge Learning Community
Bridges to Learning

Thursday 6 February 2020

Upcoming Events:

- Tue 11 February**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
- Thur 13 February**
Family consultative group - 9.15am
Cyber safety Yr 4 & 5
- Fri 14 February**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
Heartkids awareness mufti day
- Mon 17 February** —
Twilight swimming carnival
Scholastic Book order due
- Tue 18 February**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
Meet & greet backyard BBQ
- Fri 21 February**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
- Tue 25 February**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
- Fri 28 February**—
Penrith cricket cup
- Tue 3 March**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
- Fri 6 March**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
PBL assembly K-2
- Wed 11 March** —
School photos
- Fri 13 March**—
Playgroup 9-10.30am
PBL assembly 3-6
- Mon 16 March**—
Life Education
- Tue 17 March** —
Playgroup 9-10.30am
Life Education
- Wed 18 March**—
Life Education

Welcome back to a brand new year at Cambridge Park Public School. To those who are new to our Cambridge Park family we wish you a very warm welcome and hope you are settling into the school well. To our returning families, welcome back and we hope you have all had a fantastic holiday and that the students have had a chance to rest and relax ready for a big year of learning. Over the last few days our final numbers for the school have been submitted and it looks as though our classes will now stay fairly stable. There may be a few adjustments to allow for personalities within a class, but otherwise the teachers will remain the same for the remainder of Term 1 2020.

Newsletter and Notes home

This year our newsletter coming home once a month, on the first Thursday of the month. Thursday weekly will remain notes home day. Paper copies and e-mails will be sent with all upcoming

events and schedule changes so please check student bags. Please make sure you have also added the School Star app to your phone and that your contact details are correct as this is our main form of communication for last minute changes and messages.

Meet the Teacher

On Tuesday 18 February all parents/ carers are invited to come up to the school for a BBQ in the backyard with our staff to give parents a chance to introduce themselves to the class teachers if you haven't met them yet. This will be an informal event where teachers and parents can share information on individual students, as well as the practices within the classroom. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at this session.



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Staffing

Mrs Binns' retirement at the end of 2019 and some staff movement to other schools and positions has resulted in a few changes to our staffing arrangements. For the entirety of Term 1, I will be in the role of Acting Principal and look forward to working closely with all students, staff and community of CPPS in the coming weeks on setting goals and aspirations for our school through 2020. I can be contacted through the office for an appointment or by e-mail and welcome your feedback and comments.

This change has had a flow on effect on our leadership team and our executive team with their contact details for 2020 are as follows:

Role	Name	Supervising	Email
Principal	Mr Neil Bourke	Executive staff & Preschool	Neil.r.bourke@det.nsw.edu.au
Deputy Principal	Mrs Leanne Vancuylenberg	Release from Face to Face staff	Leanne.vancuylenberg@det.nsw.edu.au
Instructional Leader	Mrs Jennifer Hines	Years 2 – 6 Support	Jennifer.hines@det.nsw.edu.au
Instructional Leader	Mrs Melissa Copeland	Years K-2 Support	Melissa.copeland@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Mrs Jane Wade	Support Unit	Jane.wade@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Mrs Deepa Ahuja	Learning and Support Team	Deepa.ahuja4@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Mrs Elinor Wallace	Kindergarten	Elinor.wallace@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Mrs Alicia Junge	Year 1 and 2	Alicia.junge@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Mr Stuart O'Neill	Year 3	Stuart.oneill5@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Miss Jessica Pellizzon	Year 4	Jessica.pellizzon@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Mrs Danielle Wiggins	Year 5/6 – W-F	Danielle.wiggins@det.nsw.edu.au
Assistant Principal	Mrs Julie Richards	Year 5/6 – M-T	Julie.richards@det.nsw.edu.au

During Term 1 2020, the role of Principal for Cambridge Park Public School will go to advertisement and the results of this process will be communicated to students, staff and community as soon as we are notified.

As always the staff and I look forward to working with you to support the educational growth of all our students.

Mr Bourke

Acting Principal



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Kindergarten News

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our families and the new families that have joined our school this year. All our classes are settling in well and we are enjoying meeting and getting to know our new class members and their families.

Kindergarten have been learning how to be safe, respectful, active learners in our classrooms and in the playground. We have started learning our first set of phonemes, looking at rhyme and learning about numbers and counting forwards.

The Kindergarten teachers are looking forward to meeting our families at meet the teacher BBQ on Tuesday 18 February. We'd love to get to know you as soon as we can. Teachers are more than happy

to speak to you after school as well. Please remember that we are always available if you have any questions. If you need to speak with your child's teacher urgently please contact the office to make an appointment.

A reminder to please label all hats, drink bottles, lunch boxes and jumpers so we can return any of these items that are misplaced.

Mrs Wallace
Kindergarten supervisor



Preschool News

Welcome to all our new preschool families.

The children are all settling well into the preschool routine, are interacting with their peers and engaging in experiences offered in the indoor and outdoor environments.

During Term 1 the children will be outside first in the morning so please apply sunscreen either before you arrive or as you arrive at preschool. Sunscreen is supplied on the table at the front of the preschool doors and please tick the sunscreen section on the sign in form.

Preschool weekly programs are found on the yellow benches above the lockers for families to look over to see what will be happening over the days your child is at preschool.

Please ensure that your child brings a hat daily to preschool. Children who do not have a hat will be required to play in the shade only.

Labelling all your children's items is important so that items do not get lost or confused with other children's belongings, especially lunch boxes and drink bottles.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask any of the educators.

Preschool Educators

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Stage 1 News

Welcome back to all of our students and families! We hope you all had a nice relaxing holiday. We are looking forward to a productive and exciting year ahead. Our classes are all settling in well and we are enjoying getting to know our new class members and learning class expectations.

Thank you to all our families who have already purchased the equipment for the school year. We really appreciate your generosity! We now have an oversupply of soap and chux cloths but are always in need of tissues and whiteboard markers throughout the year.

We will be continuing with the very successful L3 Literacy Program in our classrooms this year. L3 (Language, Learning, Literacy) is an effective research-based program. It targets all components of Literacy and increases opportunities for students with diverse learning needs to achieve required outcomes. Stage 1 teachers will be training throughout the year to ensure that all teaching procedures remain consistent and refined based on current best practice.

This year all classes will have a ClassDojo account. We are looking forward to being able to share snapshots of the learning that takes place in

the classroom with you through this account. Notes will be sent home explaining how this will work and how to join your child's ClassDojo account.

This term our sports day is on Fridays. Please ensure students have appropriate sports uniforms and sports shoes to ensure they can safely participate (school dresses and slip on shoes can be restrictive during sport). If the weather is extreme, we will still continue with sport but it will be held in the hall.

Later this term we will be having a visit from Life Education. The Life Education team present an interactive and informative health-based education program that is aligned to the NSW PDHPE syllabus. You will receive a note with further information in the coming weeks.

Please remember that we are always available if you have any questions. If you need to speak with your child's teacher about any concerns, please contact the office to make an appointment. We are really looking forward to seeing you all at our meet and greet Backyard Barbeque on Tuesday 18February and getting to know you so we can work together for your child's learning.

Mrs Junge
Stage 1 Supervisor

Anaphylaxis and Us

As mentioned in previous newsletters we have several children and staff members at our school who are anaphylactic. If you are sending food to school to be shared with other children eg: birthday cakes or cakes for sale, please be very careful to read the ingredients and ensure that they do not contain peanuts, tree nuts and nut products. Some of our children are also allergic to eggs and milk.

Please also send in the packet ingredients so that we can check them for ourselves.

Other ways to support us to keep everyone safe are:

1. Talk to your children about allergies and how serious they can be for some people so they must not ever share their food with other children. Its not mean to not share food its keeping people safe.
2. Discuss how important it is to wash hands before and after eating so that food allergens don't get transferred onto other people or their food.

Thank you for working with us to keep our children safe.

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Stage 2 News

Welcome families to the 2020 school year. On behalf of the Stage 2 team, we'd like to welcome back returning families whilst also extending a warm greeting to all our new families who have joined Cambridge Park Public School this year. We look forward to working with you and your enthusiastic children to make this year one to remember.

Our students have made an excellent start to the term and have settled quickly into their new classrooms. It has been so enjoyable getting to know our new crop of students. Already the signs for the year to come are exciting!

All teachers on our stage would like to thank our parents for how well-prepared and well-equipped our students have returned to school. Your efforts to ensure your children have everything they need to jump straight into learning has made a significant difference with how smoothly we have moved into our learning. Thank you.

We have a fantastic team this year in Stage 2 and the Stage 2 supervisors' names and contact details are listed below.

We understand that parents are extremely busy and often the time to catch teachers before or after school does not match with your work and home commitments. Should you need to clarify anything, to arrange an appointment or just to touch base and say hello, feel free to send us an email anytime. We endeavour to respond to all emails within 48 hours and if we cannot answer your question in that time, we will still respond to let you know we are working on finding the answers you need and provide a rough timeframe on when we might know the answer.

Emailing is an efficient and effective way of contacting your teachers. Emails go straight to our work inbox and quite often you will get the in depth answers you need much faster.

We are also using ClassDojo this year. A note will be sent home soon explaining the system in more depth. Here is a basic overview.

ClassDojo is a reward system used to encourage students to maintain positive behaviours inside the classroom. Each student will also have their own online wall where they can post images throughout the course of the year. While students can post to their walls, this is a private wall that only a student's parents can see. All posts are monitored and approved by teachers. You can also message the teacher directly through ClassDojo between specific times.

We are sure to have a fantastic year and look forward to working with you and your children to make this an amazing, unforgettable year in Stage 2.

Miss J Pellizon & Mr S O'Neill
Stage 2 Supervisors (relieving)
Jessica.pellizon@det.nsw.edu.au
Stuart.oneill5@det.nsw.edu.au

Support Unit News

The Support Unit would like to take this opportunity to welcome our families and many of the new families that have joined our school this year. We have many exciting opportunities and learning activities happening in the Support Unit this year including the Kitchen Garden Program, the Support Unit camp to Brewongle Environmental Education Centre in Term 3 and building the Sensory Garden. This year our Support classes are as follows:

- Sugar Gliders – Miss Maul and Ms Binns
 - Cassowaries – Mrs Sakowicz and Mrs Free
 - Fairy Penguins – Mr Sirmais and Mrs Brown M-Th and Mrs Riley- F
 - Quokkas – Mrs Wade and Mr Giblin
- Check out some of our great work!

Mrs Wade
Supervisor Support



Huntsman spiders are
carnivorous and eat
other spiders.

Date: 4/1/2020

Capital letters ABC

Full stops .

Finger spaces

Sight words

Sound out

How I feel about my work today: Very happy Happy Not happy

How I feel about my work today: Very happy Happy Not happy

How I feel about my work today: Very happy Happy Not happy

Ethan - Quokkas



Blue-tongue lizard... blue has sharp
claws... he likes to climb and hide
under the rocks.

Blue is cold blooded!

How I feel about my work today: Very happy Happy Not happy

How I feel about my work today: Very happy Happy Not happy

Narra - Quokkas

Stage 3 News

Welcome back to our Stage 3 students and parents. We hope that you all had a wonderful and relaxing holiday and are ready for a busy Term 1.

We have a variety of events coming up this term, including our swimming carnival and the Penrith zone swimming carnival which our school is organising. This means that many of our Stage 3 students will be called upon to demonstrate their leadership skills and help out leading up to and on the day. We also have cricket and AFL gala days later this term. Notes will go home in the next few weeks for our 2020 camp to Canberra and also for our Year 6 shirts.

In Stage 3, it is important for our students to lead by example and make sure that they are wearing the correct school uniform every day, most

importantly, a hat. They also need to ensure that all necessary equipment is at school so that they are ready to learn!

Our Stage 3 teachers for this year are as follows:

Year 5 Echidnas- Ms Poole

Year 5 Flying Foxes- Mr Howlett

Year 5/6 Eagles- Mrs Richards and Mrs Wiggins.

Year 6 Emus- Mrs Sanders

Year 6 Dingoes- Mrs McGilvray.

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact the office to make an appointment with your child's teacher or with stage supervisors, Mrs Richards and Mrs Wiggins.

Important information for parents and students

The Department recognises that some families will be subject to family breakdown. In the absence of any notification to the contrary, it will be assumed that both parents retain a shared and equal parental responsibility for their children and have been involved in making any decisions regarding their children's education.

This means that the school will recognise that each parent has equal duties, obligations responsibilities and opportunities in relation to matters involving the school.

If any changes occur in your family relationships which have the potential to impact on the relationship between the school and your family, you are required to advise the school immediately. This includes providing copies of any court orders that may be obtained.

Newsletter

All newsletters will be emailed to families each fortnight.

If you wish to receive a hardcopy of the newsletter please complete below and return to the office.

Child's name _____ Class _____

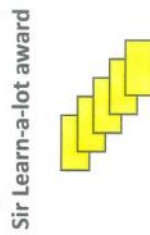
I wish to receive a paper copy of the newsletter.

Parent/Caregiver

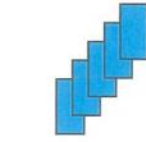
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How do I earn PBL Merits?

5 yellow safe tokens/dojos = 1 Lady Safe-a-lot award



5 blue respect tokens/dojos = 1 Sir Respect-a-lot award



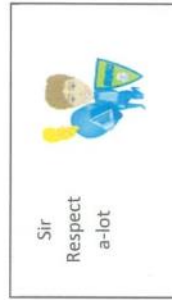
5 green learner tokens/dojos = 1 Sir Learn a-lot award



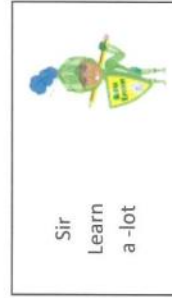
How do I go up to Bronze Level? To get a PBL Bronze Award you need **3 PBL Merit cards**. You must have **1 Safe, 1 Respectful and 1 Active Learner**.



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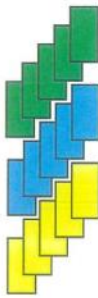
Bronze Star



How do I go up to Silver Level? You need to have a Bronze Award then you collect 5 of each colour token again to get and 1 Safe, 1 Respectful and 1 Active Learner Merit card



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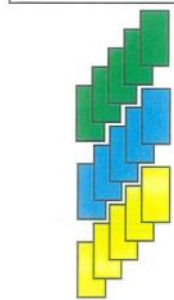
Silver Star



How do I go up to Gold Level? You need to have a Silver Award then you collect 5 of each colour token again to get and 1 Safe, 1 Respectful and 1 Active Learner Merit card



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Gold Star



From Gold you will graduate onto your PBL Quest booklet. The PBL Quest booklet is designed for our primary students and involves them being creative and being a role model, whilst choosing their own destiny in how they display good citizenship.



CPPS MAKE N MOVE OUTDOOR PLAYGROUP

JOIN US!

TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS
9AM -10:30AM

FREE!

PLEASE BRING A HAT, A BOTTLE OF WATER AND ALSO A
PIECE OF FRUIT TO SHARE FOR MORNING TEA

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Behaviour code for students

NSW public schools

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

In NSW public schools students are expected to:

- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers
- Strive for the highest standards in learning
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly
- Comply with the school's uniform policy or dress code
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Respect all property
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

Behaviour Code for Students: Actions

Promoting the learning, wellbeing and safety of all students in NSW Public Schools is a high priority for the Department of Education.

We implement teaching and learning approaches to support the development of skills needed by students to meet our high standards for respectful, safe and engaged behaviour.

Respect

- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code
- Take care with property

Safety

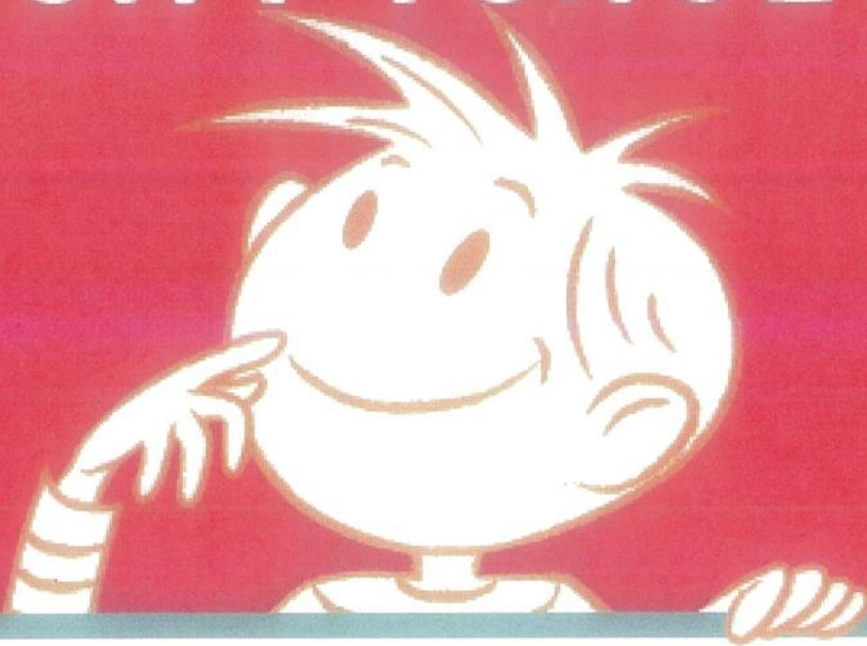
- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct
- Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy
- Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions
- Care for self and others
- Avoid dangerous behaviour and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour

Engagement

- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Arrive at school and class on time
- Be prepared for every lesson
- Actively participate in learning
- Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning

The principal and school staff, using their professional judgment, are best placed to maintain discipline and provide safe, supportive and responsive learning environments. The department provides a policy framework and resources such as Legal Issues Bulletins, access to specialist advice, and professional learning to guide principals and their staff in exercising their professional judgment. In this context the NSW Government and the Department of Education will back the authority and judgment of principals and school staff at the local level.

DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

orders are due:

Monday 17 February 2020

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OUR SCHOOL

Expectations



To Be **Safe**

To show **Respect**

To be **Active Learners**

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For your convenience when your child is absent from school please complete the note below and return to your child's teacher

ABSENCE EXPLANATION NOTE

STUDENT'S NAME CLASS.....

DATES OF ABSENCE

REASON.....

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PARENT/CAREGIVER'S NAME

SIGNED DATE

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