



15 JUNE 2020

TERM 2 WEEK 8

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Dear parents and carers,

### [Updated Return to School Guidelines](#)

Late last week, schools were provided with updated advice about various aspects of operation. Although some of the current restrictions in place within schools will soon be relaxed, at Brooklyn Public School we will maintain the status quo until the end of Term 2. This means that previous advice remains current.

In Term 3 we will be able to slowly re-introduce some extra curricular activity groups and other 'incursions'. We have been highly successful in our implementation of safety protocols since students returned to school fulltime on 25 May. Students wash their hands regularly with soap and water and the Department of Education's enhanced cleaning program is still being maintained. Thank you to all our parents and carers who have adapted well to the drop off and pick up routines. We have been advised that the current drop off and pick up procedures will continue into Term 3 and that parents and visitors will still have restricted access to the site.

### [Student Reports – Semester 1](#)

Student Reports will be issued on the final day of Term 2, Friday 3 July. As communicated previously, this report will be a streamlined document that differs from previous reports and will not contain achievement grades. Reports will contain brief commentary about areas of achievement and areas for growth. A full written report containing achievement grades is planned for Semester 2.

### [Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability \(NCCD\)](#)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability.

These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- Year of schooling
- Category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- Level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- Formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools,
- Consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools,
- Develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information.

## CALENDAR

Fri 3 Jul	Last Day of Term 2
Mon 20 Jul	School Development Day—Staff only
Tues 21 Jul	All students return for Term 3

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD portal. <https://www.nccd.edu.au/>.

### [New Dates for Opportunity Class 2021 Intake](#)

The application process for Year 5 opportunity class placement for entry in 2021 is about to begin. Important dates in the application process are as follows:

- Tuesday 9 June 2020: Online applications open
- Friday 26 June 2020: Online applications close
- Wednesday 16 September 2020: Opportunity Class Placement Test

Parents and carers must apply online between Tuesday 9 June and Friday 26 June 2020. No late applications will be accepted. To apply, visit <https://hpsuplacement.org.au/register>.

### [Parents Please Keep A Distance](#)

Parents and carers are reminded to keep a safe distance from one another at drop off and pick up times. We kindly request that as soon as parents or carers have picked up students, that they leave immediately and do not linger having conversations. Teachers are unable to conduct interviews, however brief, on site in accordance with guidance from the Department of Education.

### [No Birthday Cakes](#)

Students who celebrate birthdays and would like to bring treats for classmates are asked not to bring cakes. In cases where cakes are brought to school, they will not be distributed to children. This is a common sense approach to minimise risk of infection. An individually wrapped and commercially produced alternative, such as fun sized confectionary bars are permissible.

### [New Details, Let us know!](#)

It is critically important that the information we hold on our databases about family contact details is accurate. If not already done so, parents are kindly asked to update their details at the school office.

### [Uniform Reminder](#)

One of the great things about Brooklyn Public School is the pride we have in our uniform. The wearing of our school uniform promotes a sense of belonging and creates a positive identity for the school community. It is a highlight that stands out among the wider community. This is a friendly reminder that students must wear the correct uniform. This includes hats, jackets and school shoes.

We ask parents and carers to support us in ensuring that students are in the correct uniform each day. It is also crucial that student uniforms are clearly labelled. Whilst parents and carers are not currently permitted on site to look for lost items of clothing, teachers are regularly going through lost property and returning any items that are clearly labelled. There is support available for families who require assistance to purchase the uniform. Please enquire at the office on (02) 9985 7315.

### [Library](#)

We ask that students return any library books on Thursday that they currently have out on loan. Unfortunately students will not be borrowing from our school library until next term.

**Kelly Cartwright**  
Principal

## Opportunity Class - Year 5 2021

Year 5 Opportunity Class placement for entry in 2021 is open. Entries will close on 26 June 2020.

A email has been sent to eligible families, as entries need to be made online.

If you need further information please contact the school for more details.

*This week 6/5/4M have been designing and making maths games. We brainstormed ideas for games, negotiated the rules and worked collaboratively to realise our plans. We then took turns playing our games and it was really fun. Mrs Cartwright was very impressed with the variety of games and our ingenuity. We are very proud of our efforts.*



More maths games photos...



## Live Life Well @ School

### GRATITUDE TO BUILD HAPPINESS

Today I am grateful for

#### 3 simple ways to promote gratitude with your child today:

1. Keep a gratitude journal. Write down 3 things you are grateful for today.
2. Take photos or draw or cut out 3 things that make you smile.
3. Keep a gratitude jar or board and put a note in each day of what you are grateful for.

Gratitude is an essential part of building happiness.

It can be helpful when going through tough times to take the time to reflect on the good things you have in your life.



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## Live Life Well @ School

### WEEKLY WELLBEING

BODY  
MIND  
SPIRIT

Children with good wellbeing are healthier, happier, more engaged and successful learners.

Good wellbeing involves children's physical, emotional, social, cognitive and spiritual dimensions.

Help your kids achieve better wellbeing with the help of the NSW Department of Education's *Weekly Wellbeing Challenge*.

Search for 'Weekly Wellbeing Challenge at: [www.education.nsw.gov.au](http://www.education.nsw.gov.au)



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# Hills District & Inner West Winter

# CARTOONING CAMPS



## COVID Safe Program

- Correct social distancing
- Limited class sizes
- Hand washing & sanitising
- Drop off service
- Stay at home Zoom classes also offered



With restrictions being lifted - we are now able to reschedule our cartoon camps. Children need to play, learn & have fun. An exciting, fun art & cartooning adventure week awaits. Join us this Winter holidays or stay home & Zoom in.



**Short Day:** \$45 per child per day (9.30<sup>am</sup> - 3.30<sup>pm</sup>)

**Long Day:** \$50 per child per day (8<sup>am</sup> - 6<sup>pm</sup> or part thereof)

Long Day is a service we provide for those families that are working or for children that want to do more activities, cartooning, craft or games.

**Night Camps:** \$25 (6<sup>pm</sup> - 9<sup>pm</sup>) per night (Tuesday & Thursday)

## EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

Book & pay for 4 Long Days Monday to Thursday & we will add your child manually to the Friday list for free here in our office.

Payments must be before Friday June 26<sup>th</sup> 5pm. Creative Kid vouchers can also be accepted. Get the Vouchers from Service NSW & call our office to make the booking over the phone.

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[bookings@cartoonkingdom.com.au](mailto:bookings@cartoonkingdom.com.au)  
[www.illustrating-man.com.au](http://www.illustrating-man.com.au)

### Inner West

Monday July 6<sup>th</sup> - Friday July 10<sup>th</sup>  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Abbotsford Sea Scout Hall  
 End of Great North Road,  
 Abbotsford (Next to the wharf)

### Hills District

Monday July 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday July 17<sup>th</sup>  
 West Pennant Hills Scout Hall  
 Wlga Street,  
 West Pennant Hills