Dear Parents/Carers

Time to enrol for 2015
Kindergarten Orientation is now being finalised for the Kindergarten 2015 cohort. If your child is planning on starting school at North Sydney Demonstration School next year please download the enrolment forms from the school website and return these forms to the office as soon as possible with original documents. Your child will then be placed in an orientation group.

Festival of the Arts
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Art Auction
The Art Auction is tomorrow night and it promises to be tremendous fun. If you have not booked your tickets yet and you would like to attend then please visit the Trybookings website at www.trybooking.com/FLOD.

Thank you to the many parents who have visited classrooms this week to view the children’s masterpieces and to purchase their child’s self portrait (you decide the price!). Today is the last opportunity to view the art before the final auction. You can view your child’s artwork this afternoon between 3pm – 4pm in your child’s classroom.

McGrath Real Estate will also be auctioning a commission free house sale on the night. If you know of someone who will be selling their home soon please let them know. Bids can be made for this item over the phone on the night and proceeds will go to the North Sydney Dem P&C and the New North Sydney High School P&C. For more information please contact Nigel Mukhi from McGrath Real Estate on 041269666.

I’m looking forward to seeing you there at this child free night of fun!
Well Done Senior Band!
Last Friday evening, the Senior Band enjoyed the opportunity to perform at the North Shore Primary School's Concert Band festival at Chatswood High School. Conducted by Danika Allars, the band played 3 pieces, after which students benefitted from an on-the-spot, expert tutorial by Brian Hogg, adjudicator and composer of 'Camel Train', one of the pieces played by the band. Congratulations boys and girls on another successful performance.

Book now for Interrelate
Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 85 years experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. These sessions are for children in Years 3 to 6 and their parents. All students must be accompanied by a parent or carer to be able to attend. There are two sessions being offered.

  - Session 1: Where did I come from? – Years 3-6
  - Session 2: Preparing for puberty – Years 5-6

Looking for parents interested in assisting with the 3-6 Playground Project
We are looking for parents interested in being part of a working group responsible for working with the school and P&C in planning a playground that provides for the social and physical needs of students from Years 3-6. As you are aware, this year we saw the successful completion of a great new playground for students in Years K-2 and we would now like to address the needs of our older students. If you are interested in being part of this group please contact me at myra.janes@det.nsw.edu.au

Parent Forums for parents born overseas
This week a letter went home with the youngest child in every family inviting you to be part of a parent forum. The forum will focus on how we can ensure that parents feel that they have a voice and feel connected to our school community and will be used to assist the school executive in planning for the next three years. If you did not receive your invitation this week please see page 8 of this newsletter. RSVPs are essential as we are providing morning tea.

Myra Wearne
Principal
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JUNIOR CHOIR

Just a quick reminder! The junior choir has their third choir rehearsal on Thursday 11th September at the Ryde Civic Centre. Please meet Mrs Farag outside the tuck shop by 8:45am. Please remember to wear full school uniform and bring recess, lunch and a bottle of water.

SPECTRA SCIENCE PROGRAM

If your child is in years 1-6 you will have received a letter this week informing you of an exciting science program that we are offering again this year - SPECTRA, which is intended to encourage students to do science experiments at home.

It has close links to the Australian Curriculum and has been developed by the Australian Science Teachers Association. It offers a range of science topic cards where students complete activities related to their chosen topic. Students carry out a range of practical and observational activities, research, experiments and projects.

If you are interested, please return the form to your child's class teacher or the office by Friday 12 September. After you have paid please quote your receipt number on the bottom of the permission slip. Please note that this is identical to last year's program, so please take care to order different topic cards. A copy of the letter is on the school website, but if you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jo Penn.

CHILDRENS ART EXHIBITION - 'Once upon a time'

Entries for the Children's Art Exhibition 'Once upon a time' to be held at the Stanton Library close tomorrow, Friday 5th September at 4pm.

All entries must be delivered to Customer Service by this deadline. Addressed to: Arts & Culture Officer, North Sydney Council, 200 Miller St, North Sydney.

Please ensure you have attached a completed parental/guardian guidelines form.

For more information please call the Arts & Culture Officer on 9936 8100 or visit www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au
BAND NEWS

Dates for your Diary

10 September – Festival of the Arts (Senior and Intermediate Bands)
16 October – Junior Band Concert
19 October – Crows Nest Festival Senior and Intermediate bands – to be confirmed

*******Junior Band Concert*******

The Junior Band Concert, which was to have taken place on Thursday September 11, has been rescheduled to Term 4. The new date is in week 2 of next term - Thursday October 16th, 2014. This change will allow more time for Junior Band students to organise and prepare pieces for solo, duet and / or trio performances. Please encourage your child to volunteer for an individual or small group performance as it is an excellent opportunity for them to develop confidence playing in front of an audience – and a lot of fun too. The event will commence at 6.30pm in the school hall.

Festival of the Arts

The Senior and Intermediate Bands have another performance coming up shortly at the Festival of the Arts. The Senior Band will be performing Camel Train and Rum-bah. Intermediate Band members should be practising The Dragon's Lair and Rolling in the Deep.

An information note containing all the required details for the evening will be emailed to parents and issued to students at band practice this week. Both bands will be performing early in the evening, so please ensure that your child arrives on time and dressed in their band uniform.

Crows Nest Festival

The Senior and Intermediate bands will be performing at the Crows Nest Festival on Sunday 19th October, 2014. The performance times for both bands are: Intermediate Band: 11.55-12.15pm and Senior Band: 1.10-1.30pm. Further details will be provided closer to the date of the Festival. Students, who have not yet returned their notes, please do so asap – notes are available on the school website and at the office.

Enquiries

Band Committee Secretary, Melissa Lanigan MELISSA.LANIGAN@det.nsw.edu.au
Year 5 Camp Report

On Monday 18th August, Year 5 students and their teachers set off bright and early for the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens. While we were there we did many challenging activities such as the giant swing, dual flying fox, high ropes, archery, fencing, orienteering, abseiling, canoeing and pioneering. Whilst the weather was very wet we continued to participate and felt proud of the fact that although we were wet and uncomfortable we kept going. The instructors were very organised, fun to be around and taught us some funny chants as well as lots of good safety tips.

Before each activity we had to have a safety briefing and learn how to use the equipment safely and responsibly.

We used helmets, harnesses and carabineers as well as wearing closed in shoes. The cabins had seven or eight people in them and we had to keep them tidy and quiet. The food was tasty and there were lots of snacks. Every day at recess and afternoon tea we ate a snow cone for energy. The food was self-serve and we could eat as much as we liked. We were never hungry.

At night we participated in a County Fair where each group had their own stall and had to make as much money as possible. We also watched a movie called the Little Rascals. Unfortunately on our way back to our cabins it bucketed down and many of us got soaked. Mrs Smith and Ms Costello dried lots of wet clothes in their cabin. But the hot chocolate and biscuits helped to keep us warm. Most students voted the giant swing and flying fox as their favourite activities.

We would like to thank our parents for paying for us to go and the teachers (Mr Grimmond, Mr Keeble, Mr Adcock, Ms Milicevic, Ms Costello and Mrs Smith) for caring and supporting us.

By Tom, Santa, Elli, Claudette and Camila 5SS
Recognising Our Cultural Communities at North Sydney Demonstration School

Dear parents/carers of North Sydney Demonstration School,

First of all, it is my great pleasure to be able to work at the school every Monday for the next two years.

My name is Isabella Kim, a Community Engagement Officer and my role during this time is to meet with all community groups and to build a better connection between the school and the groups. The partnership with parents and caregivers is a critical part of supporting young children’s education and development and it would be greatly appreciated if the community groups listed below join our Morning or Afternoon tea to discuss ways to assist our children. The outcomes of these consultation meetings will be forwarded to you through either the school newsletter or at another meeting. Interpreters are available if requested and children who are under school age and grandparents are welcome to join.

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**Venue:** Connected Classroom in River Building - please sign in the office and proceed to our meeting place.

RSVP by filling in the form below and handing it to the school office.

For more information, please contact Isabella Kim at tae.kim70@det.nsw.edu.au.

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**Parent Morning/Afternoon Tea**

I will attend the meeting on ____________________________ Time__________________

Child’s name: ____________________________ in class ____________________

Parent’s name: ____________________________ Contact No: ________________

Interpreter required? Yes No If yes, what language? ______________________

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FABStar! Features

FABStar! is an initiative to recognise positive behaviours in the playground.

Two FABStar! slips were drawn from all the students who received FABStar! slips in recognition of their positive behaviours on the playground last week.

This week’s 3-6 Fabstar! is Yuko in Year 5 who supported a Year 1 student who was upset by showing concern and empathy.

NSDS Skipping Showcase: Thursday September 11 2014

Class and Grade Skip-Offs are happening over the next week. The Skip-Offs are being held to promote skipping as a fitness activity and to raise funds to support The Heart Foundation.

Thursday 11 September 11:15am-12:30pm will be our NSDS Skipping Showcase.

Parents are invited to attend. Students are asked to wear RED and make a gold coin donation in support of The Heart Foundation.

Thank you
Anamaree Williams
Skip-Off Co-ordinator
NORTH SYDNEY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL OPEN MORNING: Wednesday 10 September 9.30am to 11.30am
Address by the Principal and performances by students until 10.30am followed by tours of the school. A great opportunity to see the programs which will help develop your children into resilient, connected and innovative girls. Please note: there is no parking available in the school grounds. Enquiries: 9922 6666.

Parenting Programs
by NSW Government Health Northern Sydney Local Health District in Term 4
Enquiries: Child and Adolescent Parenting on 9887 5830.
Workshops covering all aspects of kid parenting from 1 year olds to adolescents.

The NSW Health Go4Fun is offering FREE 10 week programs for kids aged 7 to 13 years and their families to help them become fitter, eat healthier, and improve their self-esteem commencing Wednesday 15 October. Register now on 1800 780 900.

BROTHERS OZ TAG (Non Contact Rugby League) Competition

Our Summer OZ TAG Competition will start on Tuesday 14th October 2014 at Tunks Park, Cammeray. The competition is for both Boys & Girls from ages 5 to 16. OZ TAG is a game For all enquiries please contact Annette Hema on Ph: 0404 610 048 or email: brothersoztag@hotmail.com or visit our website: www.brothersoztag.com.au to register online.

HMAS Pinafore by the Savoys Art Company to be performed at the Smith Auditorium Lyric Theatre, Shore School on 26, 27, 28 September and 3 and 4 October. Details and Bookings 0420 678 595

Junior Science Academy, Macquarie University. Three day programs during school holiday. See website for more details www.juniorscienceacademy.com.au
SCHOOL BANKING

Account Opening Session
Thursday 11 September

You can get involved in the school banking program by opening a Youthsaver account. Staff from the Commonwealth Bank will be available at school on Thursday 11 September at 8:30am at the Pacific Playground or in the ESL room by the Uniform Shop if it is raining to take the application forms of any parents who wish to sign their child up for School Banking.

Remember to bring photo identification for you (driver’s licence/passport) and your child’s birth certificate if possible.

Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

School Banking at the Dem is every Thursday.
Our kids really enjoy participating in the programme. It is a fun, engaging way for young Australians to learn lifelong money-management skills.

Please contact us through dembanking@gmail.com with any queries
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info@gbcrownsnest.com.au
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Week 1
Monday 22nd - Friday 26th Sep. 9AM - 3PM
Week 2
Monday 29th Sep - Friday 3rd Oct. 9AM - 3PM

WILLOUGHBY SQUASH CLUB
PH: 02 9958 1399 443 Willoughby Road, Willoughby

Advertised by Geoff Spotswood
Cricket School Holiday Clinics
Multisport clinic also available for children looking for a variety of sport experiences (cricket, soccer, softball, Aussie rules & netball)
St. Ives – Hassell Park 22 – 24 SEPT *
North Sydney Oval No. 2 23 – 25 SEPT *
Lindfield - Tryon Oval 29 SEPT – 1 OCT *
Moore Park – Cleveland St
30 SEPT – 2 OCT (3 days)*
Includes SCG Tour, SCG & SBHS net sessions
Baulkham Hills - Ted Horwood Reserve
2 – 3 OCT – 9am – 2pm (2 days)

Contact Geoff
0401 382409 geoff@cricketcoachingclinics.com.au

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Sydney Opera House presents

School Holidays

**The 26-Storey Treehouse**
LIVE ON STAGE

Join Andy and Terry on their latest adventure - full of 78 flavour ice-cream-dispensing robots, inhaling underpants and piranhas!
20 Sep – 5 Oct
For ages 6+
Tickets from $39

Kids get half price for $10+
Use code: SCHOOL/10

**Fluff**
A Story of Lost Toys

An ukelele, cheeky production about the adventures of lost toys and their journey to an exciting new home.
26 – 30 Sep
For ages 3+
Tickets from $30

**The Junior Tour**
Take the kids on a fun, interactive tour of the Opera House. Explore the stages, unravel the hidden elements that make up a show and create your own soundscape.
20 Sep – 5 Oct
For ages 6+
Daily, every hour
Tickets from $20

**The Junior Lunch**
Kids love a treat. So it’s good to know there’s a menu just for them. Now serving at Opera Bar, Opera Kitchen & The House Espresso by Nougat.
20 Sep – 5 Oct
11am to 3pm
No bookings required
Price: $15 and under

Book now or for more information
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**Skillful Minds Holiday Workshop**

**Who:** any child ages 7-10 years  
**When:** 22, 23, 29, 30 September 2014  
**Where:** 1st North Sydney Scout Hall  
1 Munro St, McMahon's Point, NSW 2060  
**Time:** 9:00am - 3:00pm each day  
**Price:** $395 (total for all 4 days)  

Early bird price of $360 for booking before the 5th of September

Kerry and Sarah are psychologists who are passionate about supporting children to learn valuable skills whilst having fun!

For bookings and more information, please contact us on:  
Kerry Gordon | 0411 276 552  
kerry@colourfulminds.com.au  
Sarah Peterson | 0429 462 665  
sarah@colourfulminds.com.au

**In Spanish**

Spanish at North Sydney Dem starts Term 4 on Tuesdays after school

- Quality classes of 45 minutes (K to Year 2) and 1 hour (Year 3 to 6)  
- Maximum 12 kids per class  
- Support material includes a CD and a Student's workbook  
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For more information, contact Carolina Posadas on 0408 559 300 or carolina.posadas@inspanish.com.au

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