

# BATES DRIVE BUZZ

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TERM 3 WEEK

20th September 2018

## Principal's Message

At the P&C meeting last week we started by discussing plans for the Christmas raffle, yes Christmas is looming down on all of us. It's starting to get really busy again. Preparations and planning for the Year 12 Graduation is well under way and with 11 students graduating, it is a lot bigger than usual. Graduation date is Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Carols in the Park will be slightly different this year with The Feros Group (who own the Prince hotel at Kirrawee, Taren point Hotel and The Highfield at Caringbah) agreeing to do the catering for the event. Carols in the Park date is Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

In week 7, it was Administration and Support Staff (SASS) Recognition Week, a time to acknowledge and thank the often unsung heroes in our public schools. Our SAS staff play an important role in the school community. They are often the first people you see when you enter a school and are essential to maintaining positive relationships with our students, parents and the community. SAS staff at Bates Drive School work in the office, classrooms, maintain and care for our school grounds and buildings and ensure the efficient management of our school financial and administration functions. At Bates Drive, our SAS staff are much more than those functional sounding words, they care deeply for all our students and go above and beyond what their job description is. Our school celebrated on Wednesday morning of that week by organising a coffee van and then the Teaching staff on Friday put on a beautiful morning tea. As Principal, I am so proud of them and the efforts they go to every single day.



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On Friday 7 September the classroom Teachers and I attended an “ACE” Australian College of Educators’ awards night. This is the citation that was read out on the night:

## **Social Justice & Community Service Award Marian Botros & Lee Carey**

“The Friends Program”  
Kirrawee High School / Bates Drive Public School

The Friends Program is a partnership between Bates Drive Public School and Kirrawee High School and has been successfully running for approximately 10 years. Its success is due to the dedicated efforts of Lee Carey (Bates Drive PS) and Marian Botros (Kirrawee HS). It is a wonderful example of cross-school cooperation, a synergy that helps meet learning and social outcomes in both schools.

The Friends Program involves weekly interaction as student mentors from Kirrawee work with their peers from Bates Drive. Marian mentors and trains the student leaders and Lee provides expertise in relation to the targeted lessons. They work together to ensure high-level outcomes for students from both schools. A range of SRC/Prefect initiatives, mentored by Marian, include community support for Bates Drive projects, and the annual Kirrawee HS Bake for Bates Drive event, which raises funds to support learning programs.

The Friends Program is a true social justice and community approach to learning in relation to its overarching goals, the lives it directly impacts in relation to the students from both schools, and the wider school awareness and acknowledgement it represents. Ultimately, it reinforces the values for which we strive so hard to instil in every citizen our schools help to nurture.”

It is a truly deserved award that recognises Bates Drive as leader of social justice and holding our community close to our hearts.



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#### NEPTUNE

Hello dear Families and welcome to the end of term 3!

The Neptunes class have been extremely busy, as always, completing a range of programs. We have continued with the Rhythm Village, Sports Ready, Scripture and non-Scripture programs, with students particularly enjoying interacting with the puppets that Roxanne brings to Scripture. Roxanne has some ventriloquist experience and knows just how to keep us all entertained! Our favourite puppet seems to be the parrot with a hat – Roxanne places the hat on students who want to participate and the parrot collects the hat and makes some jokes. For Education and Book Week, we joined with the Venus class and completed some activities with our families and teachers relating to the book, 'I'm Australian Too' by Mem Fox. This session went so quickly, but we really enjoyed seeing everyone engaged in their learning with their family and staff members assisting. Rebecca did go on a wonderful holiday to Europe and she has now returned to work – she missed everyone dearly while she was away.

Take care and we'll catch up again in term 4!

Victoria on behalf of the Neptunes class



#### COMETS

Term 3 has been loads of fun!

The Comets had a blast at Science day, organised by Matt and Gen (our amazing science teachers) earlier in the term. We all enjoyed the different science experiments they provided for us. Sink vs float was a real hit. We also had a lot of fun in our Book / Education / Multicultural week—we read lots of stories that focused on cultures and had a wonderful outdoor picnic with our Neptune neighbours where we tried different foods from around the world.

We have had a BIG emphasis on PECS this term with the boys making amazing progress and surprising us each and every day with how they communicate their needs—well done, boys! As usual, we have loved all our outdoor movement activities. We have focused on turn taking and waiting on the big trampoline. As the weather is getting warmer it is a lot of fun to be outside.

Until next time,

Ciara , Carmen, Connor, Brady, Aaron, Oscar Jeremy and Akif



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#### VENUS

Hello dear families and welcome to week 9 of term 3! Wow, this term has passed us by so quickly... maybe we were all having too much fun... In addition to our regular Rhythm Village music sessions, Sports Ready and Integration programs, we have also had several extra special programs to participate in during the term! In week 5, we all welcomed families in to classrooms for our special Book and Education Week extravaganza! Thank you so much to all of our wonderful families for your ongoing support and communication, we really appreciate it! It was wonderful to see our students interacting with families and completing some multicultural themed book activities. We have also continued our cooking programs, however, we are cooking twice each week now with the addition of Pancake Monday! Once we make our delicious buttermilk pancakes, students select their topping options and try these for dessert after lunch time. On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September, we also had a special Integration program for 30 minutes at Jannali Public School. During this time, we thoroughly enjoyed exploring their play equipment as it is different to ours here at Bates Drive and we also had some help from the year 6 students to complete an obstacle course. Last Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September is Fun Farmer Friday! It will be lots of fun with staff dressing up and donating non-perishable items to the farmers. I am sure you will get to see lots of photos from the day! While we're here, I would like to say Happy Birthday to Emily who celebrated on the 31<sup>st</sup> of August and also Happy Birthday to Deb, who is celebrated last weekend on the 16<sup>th</sup> September – we hope you both enjoyed your celebrations!

As we are coming towards the end of term 3, we will be busy preparing some new and exciting events and programs for term 4, so please relax for now and stay tuned for some more information soon!

Victoria, Deb and the Venus class



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#### KSTARS

K-stars' community access visits to the library have been fantastic this term. We all look forward to the even weeks of term to see Ingrid and Susan and listen to some great literary works. On our next community visit we are helping our year 12 students out by recycling bottles and using the money for the year 12 graduation. We are more than happy to help out our 11 year 12 friends and the environment. Next term we are visiting the Bird Cage cafe as well.

Another favourite session for the K-Stars is Tuesday morning visits from our special friend, Pat during scripture. Pat has been with us as our scripture teacher for well over 20 years and every single student that participated in scripture loves her and she adores us. Pat is helped by Kathy and Roxanne - Kathy has great craft activities for us and Roxanne's awesome ventriloquising skills with her array of puppets keeps everyone enthralled.

If you see Pat or the ladies out and about, please say hi! Pat loves a chat and is always talking about how great we all are at Bates Drive School!



#### MERCURY

Hello Mercury families!

The Mercury class has been doing exciting things!

This term we have gone on various excursions and participated in community learning programs. Each Monday we go somewhere different on the bus. We have been to the library to check out books and listen to stories from the librarians. We still continue our shopping program to Kareela Coles and get hot chips for lunch at Portico. Recently we started going for a drive around the Sutherland Shire to work on our self regulation skills, particularly in waiting and staying calm. The students have been absolutely fantastic in remaining calm while we drove to Tom Ugly's bridge, the Como Marina and the Woronora River. It has been so nice to see our local flora and fauna while practicing our skills to stay in the 'green' zone.

During week 7, we spent a whole day at the Early Discovery Centre at the University of Wollongong. The students used their imaginations while they were pirates on the big ship, explorers in the dark deep cave, café workers at the wood fire pizza station and tradies in the construction zone. The students also enjoyed the water play station outside, the big gurgling tummy to crawl through and the shopping centre. We had the best time! To end the term, we are headed to Symbio Wildlife Park for a full day excursion during week 10. The Mercury class love going out on the bus!

Stay tuned for our biggest excursion yet - a sleepover at the Taronga Zoo in November!



Molly, Natalie, Donna and the Mercury class

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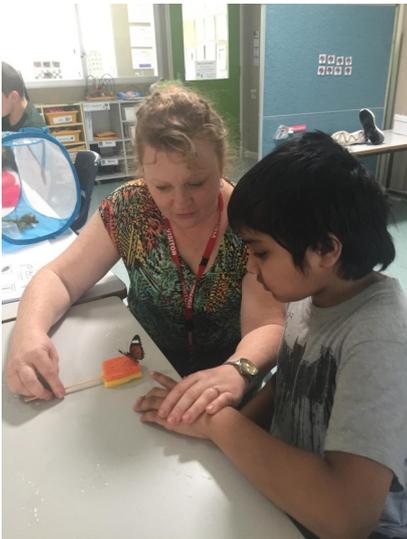
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#### HSC

Students in HSC have been kept busy during Catherine's 2 week leave of absence. Casual teacher, Raeleen introduced students to live Orange Lacewing Butterflies. Native to northern Australia, the butterflies supported the Term 3 Science focus on Australian Animals and reinforced the Term 1 study of Life Cycles.

In cooking, students made sherbet using four simple ingredients. They measured quantities and learned how each ingredient contributes to the recipe (eg. sweetness, tang, fizz and flavour).

Students were also keen to strum Raeleen's ukulele during class singalongs and enjoyed listening to music by Debussy, Mozart and Tchaikovsky. Special thanks to SLSO Jen for her dedication and support during Catherine's absence.



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#### HSK

Our term is speeding past and we cannot believe that we have arrived at week 9. In HSK, we have been very productive in our life skills program. Students have shown improvements while participating during the gardening program. Weather has held us off from this program a bit during the term, however, when we do get out there, students remain on task and put in a massive effort to contribute to the Spring clean up. Students are working on life skills task boxes this term where the new focus is on matching containers and pairing socks. Students have responded well to these new challenges and are sorting socks with greater accuracy as they become more familiar with the activity (get them to help at home too, wink wink!) High school have recently participated in a few fun filled theme days: Maths Day we explored different concepts at a variety of stations. Activities included Bowling to compare class high scores, squirting water as far as we could and measuring it, purchasing goods from a shop (the \$100 meat pies were delicious) and rolling dice to match with the numeral. Students were keen to explore all the stations and everyone had a great time. We also dressed up like Mad Scientists for our theme day in the garden and what a time we had. Fantastic work by the Science teachers for putting on great activities such as paper airplane competitions, building Frankenstein, layering liquids and heaps of other experiments all students were excited to do. Book/ Education week was another exciting day where families came to see what we do in our classrooms and participated in a read along of Mem Fox's 'I'm Australian Too'. It was great to see such an excellent turn out for this day. A lot of things happening, stay tuned for the next update.



#### HSS

We are almost at the end of the year! Well done to all our students on a great term! We have begun our next Geography unit on 'Australian Environments and Landscapes' and we are exploring The Great Barrier Reef and the Daintree Rainforest. In Sports Ready we have been practising our hockey and footy skills, and the last few weeks have been our most successful all year! In cooking, the favourite recipe again is pizza (who doesn't love pizza?!) but a close second was sponge cake, jam and cream! Our high school Maths Day was fantastic – all of HSS were interested and joined in most activities. We decorated mugs for our dads for Father's Day and all enjoyed being creative in the colours and patterns we chose to put on them. We've been implementing the Zones of Regulation with more consistency and have regular sensory breaks throughout the day. We also meditate and practise deep breathing, which is having a huge impact with everyone (teachers included!). We have seen an improvement in all students behaviours and mood, well done HSS!

From Shinead and Narelle



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#### HSV

A warm hello to family and friends from HSV, as the end of another term fast approaches.

The students of HSV have had an enjoyable final half of the term, marked by new and fun learning experiences and the steadiness of our classroom routine.

In the second half of this term, our focus of learning has turned to literacy, including studying the text 'Possum Magic', by the much-loved Australian author Mem Fox, and linking this to other Key Learning Areas. The students really have a love of being read to; a regular occurrence in our classroom.

In Week 7, all High School students participated in Maths Day, which saw everyone explore hands-on maths stations, equipped with dynamic and sensory learning experiences centred around maths outcomes from the High School syllabus.

Our attention in the classroom has turned to learning about rainforests and the Great Barrier Reef – the focus themes for Geography, and the students continue to enjoy their Community Access Outing on the bus: exploring the local area and manning the collection of lunch orders for the school community.

We had a terrific Education Week in Week 6, with families paying the classroom a visit on the Friday, and sharing in an enjoyable classroom experience based around the celebration of multicultural Australia and the cultural diversity within the class of HSV.

The staff and students of HSV wish all families a well-deserved break in the upcoming school holidays and look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

Jennifer, Kelly and Teresa

#### HSA

We have had very busy term 3. Recently, we had a high school Maths Day. Students in high school had lots of fun doing different maths activities. We measured cordial, used water pistols to determine distances, sequenced number water bottles, made shapes from paddle pop sticks and exchanged money for selected shopping items.

Last week (week 8), we had Farmer Friday. Thank you to everyone for their generous donations for the farmers—it was very much appreciated!

This week we also participated in pirate day activities, where we celebrate international Talk Like a Pirate Day. Ships Ahoy!

This term, we celebrated Eamon's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. Happy special 18<sup>th</sup> birthday to you, Eamon! The birthday ice cream cake and fairy bread was very yummy. HSA enjoyed celebrating your 18<sup>th</sup> birthday with a class party.

HSA have started learning about Australian animals and our famous landmarks. We have been viewing Australian icons and matching pictures to goanna's, wombats and kangaroos. We have continued to play different instruments during the Rhythm Village program. Spring has sprung! With the nice weather we have been exercising during the Sports Ready program. HSA's recycling program has been very successful. We are raising money for our Year 12 graduation.

During weeks 9 and 10 I will be taking leave, Shirley and Lauren will be HSA's teachers while I'm away.

Happy holidays, 'til next term!

Robbie, Reece, Rick, Eamon, Samuel and Jessica

Annemarie and Cassandra



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#### HSL -

Each term and year seems to get quicker and quicker!

HSL have had a very happy, settled and productive term and have been doing great work and excelling in their school activities!

Term 3 has seen HSL continue with the COGS program (Cognitive Rehabilitation) students have been completing a range of activities that strengthen short and long term memory, auditory processing, listening skills, social skills development and students are encouraged to think more than do. We have seen some great outcomes in the classroom! Music continues to be a key component in our learning and the band is sounding hot! Stay tuned for HS Hell's music debut soon!

Besides working the brain, we continue to work the legs! Bike riding skills are at an all time high at the moment. Some of the students in HSL had not experienced bike riding until this year, now all students in HSL are riding confidently and it is the high light of our day at school.

Term 4 is set to be action packed as we prepare for Carols in the Park and our Year 12 Graduation. 5 students in HSL will be graduating. We will miss them greatly next year!.

Have a great holiday and will see you in Term 4!

Lee and Belinda



#### RFF—Science

##### National Science Week @ Bates Drive

This year's theme for National Science Week was "Games Changers and Change Makers" where the whole school celebrated scientists and innovators who have solved seemingly unsolvable problems. Students participated in experiments where they predicted, explored, created and observed experiences based on the past and present games changers and change makers. Students made paper planes to appreciate the work of the Wright brothers. They predicted whether objects would sink or float like the Greek mathematician Archimedes did. Frankenstein masks were created to be imaginative like Mary Shelley, amongst other activities. Many staff and students came dressed as a crazy scientist. Everyone looked great! The best dressed for Primary was Blake Marciano who came dressed as David Attenborough and Magnus Poulsen for High School who received a voucher to spend at the school canteen kart. Thank you everyone for your participation in Science Week!

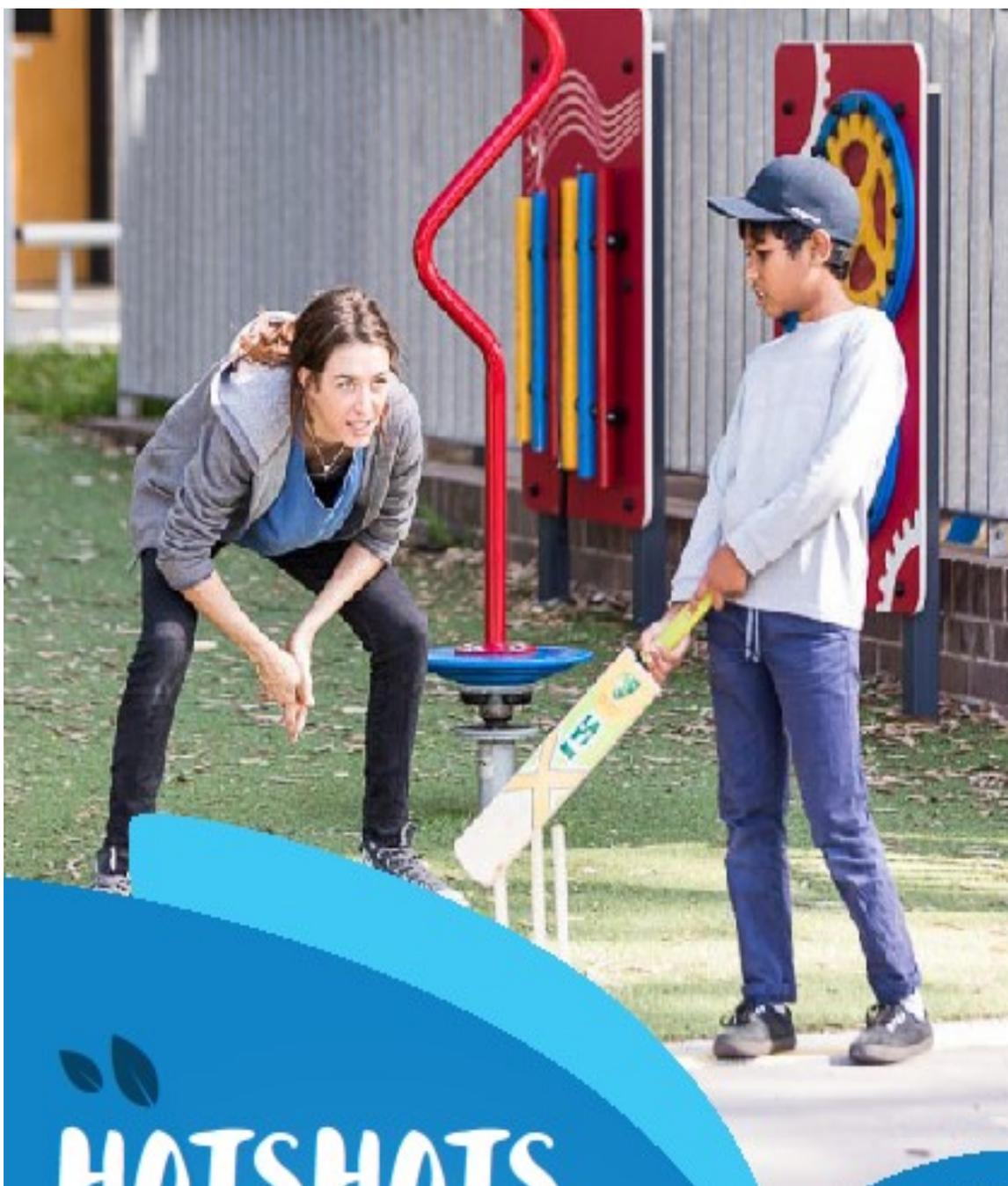


# September 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 High School Math's Day	4	5	6 Transition Clinic	7	8
9	10 P & C Meeting	11	12 Medical Clinic	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Pirate Day	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Transition Clinic	28 Last day of Term	29

# October 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Staff & Stu- dents return	16 Hairdresser	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Grandparent day	24 Medical Clinic	25	26	27
28	29 P&C Meeting	30	31 Halloween			



# HOTSHOTS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

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# IT'S ALL FUN AND GAMES

You don't need to go away to have a great holiday during school break.

Hotshots has everything you need to have loads of fun close to home with all sorts of super cool activities for children aged 6 - 11 and young people aged 12 - 17.

You'll kick goals, try new things, do crafts, catch a movie (with popcorn of course), get active and make loads of new friends.

## Program dates

Tuesday 2 October - Friday 12 October 2018

Weekdays

## Time

9am - 3pm

## Location

Minerva School Elton Street Sutherland

## Cost

As per the NSW NDIS Price Guide

Fee for Service is set as per the NSW NDIS Price Guide plus GST.

Registrations close Friday 25 September 2018 to confirm your space contact

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# HOTSHOTS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Program commences Tuesday 2 October 2018 - Friday 12 October 2018

Note: We will be travelling to Wangee Park School for the Performability and Music Man activities.

**MONDAY**  
1 October 2018



**TUESDAY**  
2 October 2018



**WEDNESDAY**  
3 October 2018



**THURSDAY**  
4 October 2018



**FRIDAY**  
5 October 2018



9am – 10.30am	<b>Public Holiday</b>	<b>Cooking Program</b> Pizza & Cup Cake Day Yummy Yummy Yummy	<b>Musical Day</b> We will be making trumpets out of cardboard so we can join in with the Music Man fun	<b>Bubble fun, Arts &amp; Crafts Day</b> Bubble fun game	<b>Performability</b> We get ready for the day
10.30am – 11am	<b>Morning Tea</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>
11am – 12.15pm	You are going to love this day of baking cupcakes and making Pizzas	We have a Music Man that plays guitar and will sing any song that you desire. Music you can dance to all day. I'm guessing the wheels on the bus will be a popular song that day	Pick 2 Bubble fun game	Get ready to dance your socks off with the wonderful dance and exercise program that Nadia our Performability Teacher brings	
12.15pm – 12.45pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
12.45pm – 2.15pm	Popcorn & movie	Bike riding, drawing & trampoline	Bike riding, drawing & trampoline	Hop scotch & jump rope	
2.15pm – 2.30pm	<b>Snack</b>	<b>Snack</b>	<b>Snack</b>	<b>Snack</b>	<b>Snack</b>
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8 October 2018



**TUESDAY**  
9 October 2018



**WEDNESDAY**  
10 October 2018



**THURSDAY**  
11 October 2018



**FRIDAY**  
12 October 2018



9am – 10.30am	<b>Sports Day</b> We get ready for the day	<b>Cooking Program</b> Pizza & Cup Cake Day Yummy Yummy Yummy	<b>Musical Day</b> We will be making trumpets out of cardboard so we can join in with the Music Man fun	<b>Performability</b> We get ready for the day	<b>Bubble fun, Arts &amp; Crafts Day</b> Bubble fun game
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## Too sick for school?



Generally if your child feels unwell, keep them home from school and consult your doctor. This chart and the information it contains is not intended to take the place of a consultation with your doctor.

<b>Bronchitis</b>	Symptoms are coughing, a runny nose, sore throat and mild fever. The cough is often dry at first, becoming moist after a couple of days. There may be a slight wheeze and shortness of breath. A higher fever (typically above 39°C) may indicate pneumonia.	 ... until they are feeling better. Antibiotics may be needed.
<b>Chickenpox</b> (Varicella)	Slight fever, runny nose and a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab.	 ... for 5 days from the onset of the rash and the blisters have dried.
<b>Conjunctivitis</b>	The eye feels 'scratchy', is red and may water. Lids may stick together on waking.	 ... while there is discharge from the eye unless a doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious cause.
<b>Diarrhoea</b> (no organism identified)	Two or more consecutive bowel motions that are looser and more frequent than normal and possibly stomach cramps.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.
<b>Fever</b>	A temperature of 38.5°C or more in older infants and children.	 ... until temperature is normal.
<b>Gastroenteritis</b>	A combination of frequent loose or watery stools (diarrhoea), vomiting, fever, stomach cramps, headaches.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea and/or vomiting stops.
<b>German measles</b> (Rubella)	Often mild or no symptoms; mild fever, runny nose, swollen nodes, pink blotchy rash that lasts a short time.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
<b>Glandular Fever</b> (Mononucleosis EBV infection)	Symptoms include fever, headache, sore throat, tiredness, swollen nodes.	 ... unless they're feeling unwell.
<b>Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease</b> (HFMD)	Generally a mild illness caused by a virus, perhaps with a fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet, and perhaps the nappy area in babies.	 ... until all blisters have dried.
<b>Hayfever</b> (Allergic rhinitis) caused by allergy to pollen, from grasses, flowers and trees, dust mites, animal fur or hair, mould spores, cigarette smoke	Sneezing, a blocked or runny nose (rhinitis), itchy eyes, nose and throat, headaches.	 ... unless they feel unwell or are taking a medication which makes them sleepy.
<b>Head lice or nits*</b> (Pediculosis)	Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found on the scalp.	 ... while continuing to treat head lice each night. Tell the school.

<b>Hepatitis A</b>	Often none in young children, sudden onset of fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine, pale stools.	 ... for 2 weeks after first symptoms (or 1 week after onset of jaundice). Contact your doctor before returning to school.
<b>Hepatitis B</b>	Often no symptoms in young children. When they do occur, they can include fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine.	 ... if they have symptoms. Contact your doctor before returning to school.  ... if they have a chronic infection (not the first outbreak) and no symptoms.
<b>Impetigo</b> (School sores)	Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted, usually on the face, hands or scalp.	 ... until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.
<b>Influenza</b>	Sudden onset fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and headaches.	 ... until well.
<b>Measles</b>	Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore red eyes for a few days, followed by a red blotchy rash that starts on the face and spreads down the body and lasts 4 to 7 days.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
<b>Meningococcal Disease</b>	Sudden onset of fever and a combination of headache, neck stiffness, nausea, vomiting, browiness or rash.	<b>Seek medical attention immediately.</b> Patient will need hospital treatment. Close contacts receive antibiotics.
<b>Molluscum Contagiosum</b>	Multiple small, lumps (2-5mm) on the skin that are smooth, firm and round, with dimples in the middle. In children, occur mostly on the face, trunk, upper arms and legs. Symptoms can last 6 months to 2 years.	
<b>Mumps</b>	Fever, swollen and tender glands around the jaw	 ... for 9 days after onset of swelling.
<b>Ringworm*</b> (Tinea corporis)	Small scaly patch on the skin surrounded by a pink ring.	 ... for 24 hours after fungal treatment has begun.
<b>Runny nose or common cold</b>		 ... unless there are other symptoms such as fever, sore throat, cough, rash or headache. Check with school.
<b>Scabies*</b>	Itchy skin, worse at night. Worse around wrists, armpits, buttocks, groin and between fingers and toes.	 ... until 24 hours after treatment has begun.
<b>Shigella</b>	Diarrhoea (which may contain blood, mucus and pus), fever, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.	 ... until there has not been a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. Antibiotics may be needed.
<b>Slapped Cheek Syndrome</b> (Parvovirus B19 infection, fifth disease, erythema infectiosum)	Mild fever, red cheeks, itchy face-like rash, and possibly cough, sore throat or runny nose.	 ... as it is most infectious before the rash appears.
<b>Whooping Cough</b> (Pertussis)	Starts with a running nose, followed by persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts may be followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.	 ... until the first 5 days of an antibiotic course has been completed. Unimmunised siblings may need to stay home too until treated with an antibiotic.
<b>Worms</b> (Threadworms, pinworms)	The main sign of threadworms is an itchy bottom. Sometimes children feel 'out of sorts' and do not want to eat much. They may also have trouble sleeping, due to itching at night.	 ... and tell the school as other parents will need to know to check their kids.

\*It is important that the rest of the family is checked for head lice, scabies and ringworm



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