A Record 4 High Distinctions for Colyton English ICAS Participants

122 Colyton students sat the English ICAS on August 1 this term. Congratulations to all our participants who achieved some outstanding results across both stages.

Students received:

4 High Distinction
9 Distinction
28 Credit
15 Merit
66 Participation

The following students placed in the top 1 percent of all participants, receiving a High Distinction, a truly superb result:

Samuel Naicker 3C
Kayla Fairweather 5R
Gretchen Pronk 5R
William Burgess 6J

Gardening Club

Our Gardening Club has had a very successful year!

We planted over 300 plants in 10 garden beds in our school grounds. Thank you to Mr Durkin, Mrs Candy and Mr Schembri who assisted during lunchtimes on Wednesdays and an extra big thank you to Melanie Taylor who assisted every week and donated cuttings from her own garden.

Christine Pink
Learning and Support Teacher
OC’s Artibald Presentation Evening

5R and 6J worked for two terms on portraits for their bootleg Archibald prize, the Artibalds and at 7pm on the 21st of September, we presented them to parents, relatives, and others. We had used the Aurasma app to film ourselves, so when the auras of our paintings were scanned, a video of the artist explaining their portrait would play.

First we started with the Principal’s Choice, won by Eon Aniano who painted Supercell founder Ilkka Paananen. The Art Critic’s Choice, picked by Ms Rodger's son Will, was won by Iva Florhea Saquing who painted the inventor of dynamite and namesake of the Nobel Prize, Alfred Nobel. The People’s Choice was won by Lexie Auld who painted Jennifer Lawrence as Katniss Everdeen and the Packer’s Prize (read: Mr Clark and Mrs Rodgers set up the display and need their own prize to feel validated) was won by Kayla Fairweather, who painted English comedian James Veitch.

A big “thank you” to Ms Cooper and William Rodgers for taking time out of their busy lives to present the awards.

Written by Packer Prize Winner
Kayla Fairweather of 5R.

People's Choice (below)

Packer's Choice (below)

Angels Preschool Visit

Colyton Public School is developing a strong link to Angels Preschool. Last week, a group of children from Angels Preschool visited us to see what “Big School” is like. During the visit, the preschool group had a tour of the school before making their way to KC’s classroom with their teachers. They participated in singing songs, listening to a story and then doing a craft activity based on the book. A great time was had by all.
**Fidget Spinners**

The variety of fidget spinners has grown over the past few months. Students are **only allowed to bring plastic spinners** to school for use during playtime.

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**Kindergarten Enrolments**

If your child turns 5 **on or before the 31st July 2018** they are eligible to commence formal schooling in 2018.

If you intend to enrol your child in Kindergarten at Colyton Public School in 2018 please call into the school office and pick up an Application to Enrol in a NSW Government School.

Next term our school will hold a Parent Information Evening as well as Kindergarten Orientation afternoon sessions. Therefore it is important that you apply to enrol your child as soon as possible so that you and your child can be invited to and included in these programs.

Mrs Candy  
Kindergarten Supervisor

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### Term 4

#### Week 1

- **Monday 9th October**  
  Students return to school  
  - School Spectacular Rehearsal 9am-3pm –Netball Central Olympic Park

- **Thursday 12th October**  
  Teddy Bears Picnic – 2018 Kindergarten students 9:30am-11am

#### Week 2

- **Monday 16th October**  
  Kindergarten Orientation Evening **7pm**

- **Tuesday 17th October**  
  P&C Meeting

#### Week 3

**SWIM SCHOOL ALL WEEK**

- **Thursday 26th October**  
  School Spectacular Rehearsal 9am-3pm–Netball Central Olympic Park

- **Friday 27th October**  
  CLC Sport begins
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| Thursday 2\textsuperscript{nd} November | Year 6 Disco  
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| Tuesday 14\textsuperscript{th} November | P&C Meeting  
Kindy Orientation Session 9:30am -11am |
| Thursday 16\textsuperscript{th} November | Kindy Orientation Session 9:30am-11am  
PANIC Night |

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| Thursday 23\textsuperscript{rd} November | School Spectacular Finale/Dress Rehearsal – Qudos Bank Arena  
Kindy Orientation Session 9:30am-11am |
| Friday 24\textsuperscript{th} November | School Spectacular Preview Performance 11am – Qudos Bank Arena  
School Spectacular Evening Performance 7:30pm – Qudos Bank Arena |
| Saturday 25\textsuperscript{th} November | School Spectacular Performance 12pm – Qudos Bank Arena  
Evening Performance 7pm – Qudos Bank Arena |

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| Tuesday 28\textsuperscript{th} November | OC Orientation Day  
Kindy Orientation Session 9:30-11am |
| Thursday 30\textsuperscript{th} November | Kindy Orientation Session 9:30-11am |

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| Tuesday 12\textsuperscript{th} December | P&C Meeting  
Year 6 to Luna Park  
K-2 Presentation Day |
| Wednesday 13\textsuperscript{th} December | 3-6 Presentation Day  
Year 6 Farewell Rooty Hill RSL |
| Friday 15\textsuperscript{th} December | Last day of Term 4 |
FUSION Western Sydney presents

RAISING RESILIENT TEENS
A Talk by COLLETT SMART

LIFE, RELATIONSHIPS AND THEIR ONLINE WORLD

7pm, Friday 27 October 2017. Colyton High School

Cost: $10 per person
Bookings: www.fusionwesternsydney.org.au/events
Or from Fusion Cafe, cnr Queen & Stations St,
St Marys (open weekdays 7am-3pm).

Colyton Cubs
Starting School Group
Colyton Public School

A FREE relaxed playgroup that gradually introduces the family to school life

Thursday Mornings
Terms 3 and 4
9.00am - 11.00 am
Community Hub - Residence
43-81 Nelson St,
Mount Druitt NSW 2770

TO REGISTER
Please call the School
9625 8185
Community Hub
0421 177 613

Please bring a healthy snack, water and a hat for you and your child

Parents stay with their child at the playgroup and siblings can also attend
Congratulations to the following students who were invited to attend the Principal’s Morning Tea on Friday 22nd September.

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Free supported playgroup at Colyton Public School
Welcoming all children 0-3 years, every Wednesday

Helping children learn through play
Playvan is a mobile supported playgroup. Our facilitators are early childhood trained and our programs are specifically designed to promote inclusion and develop skills through fun play-based activities. We encourage children to explore, investigate and problem-solve, amongst lots of other fun activities. Our platform also allows parents and carers to socialise in a friendly, relaxed environment.

Supporting parents and carers
Playvan also provides support to the parents and carers, the most important people in their lives. Together with our Growing Early Minds early intervention service, we can help identify areas where children might be having difficulties and provide tips, strategies, and resources to help them learn, develop and reach their goals. The Growing Early Minds team are an approved Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) Transition Provider and can help families navigate the NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme).

For more information:
[p] 02 9625 0422 [m] 0481 943 360 [e] playvan@childrenfirst.asn.au [fb] www.facebook.com/childrenfirstplayvan
Alternatively please contact SSI:
[p] 02 9625 8185 [m] 0421 177 613 [e] abreen@ssi.org.au

Colyton Public School
(The Residence)
Wednesday 9:30am – 11:00am
(During school term)
43-81 Nelson Street, Mount Druitt
Please bring own morning tea
Children 0-3 years of age
Cost: FREE
PLAY & STAY @ COLYTON

Refugee Playgroup

Colyton Public School

A FREE Playgroup with fun and exciting play activities for
Preschool aged refugee children and their parents

WHEN: Tuesday Mornings

TIME: 9.00am-11.00am

WHERE: The Community Hub
Colyton Public School

YOU ONLY NEED TO BRING A HAT, A SNACK AND WATER

For more Information please contact:

The School on 9625 8185
or
The Community Hub on 0421 177 613

SSI
settlementservices international

Colyton Public School
43-82 Nelson Street
Mount Druitt 2770

Community
Hubs Australia
Parramatta High School

Open Night

Wednesday 18 October 2017
Commencing in the School Library
5pm School Tour
6pm Information Session

An information session for parents of students in the 2018 Selective Classes, and parents of students in Year 5 seeking placement in 2019

Contact the school on 9635 8644 for further details, or visit the school website www.parramatta-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Parramatta High School
Great Western Highway
Parramatta NSW 2150

Respect - Responsibility - Honesty
Year 7 2019
Information Evening
to Year 5 Students and their Parents

Girraween High School is an academically selective coeducational high school with a focus on providing a balanced and positive education experience for our students who aspire to achieve exceptional HSC results. The school has experienced and dedicated staff, providing students with safe, engaging classes.

Entry is via the Selective High School Placement Test that is run by the Department of Education’s High Performing Students Unit. The test will be conducted on Thursday 15 March 2018. Online applications open 10 October 2017 and close 13 November 2017. For more information please refer to our website.

The information evening will feature classroom tours, displays, presentations and the chance to meet students and teachers. The school band will perform from 5:30pm and you are welcome to enjoy this performance. Refreshments will be provided.

Date: Wednesday 8th November 2017
Time: 6pm to 8pm
Venue: Girraween High School
110 Gilba Road
GIRRAWEEN NSW 2145

Tel: 9636 7293 or 9636 7303
Email: girraween-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Web: www.girraween-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

2016 HSC Achievements

Girraween ranked 20th in the state overall with 16 students achieving an ATAR of 99 and over. 25 students of the cohort achieved an ATAR score over 98. The highest ATAR was 99.95 (Maximum ATAR 99.95). There were 17 “all rounder” students who achieved 90% or better in 10 units of study. 100% students received university offers.

State rankings included:
- 4th for Economics
- 8th for Modern History
- 15th for English Advanced
- 20th for Biology
- 313 distinguished achievers; students who achieved 90% or better in a subject

100% of all students achieved in the top two bands for English Extension 1, Maths Extension 2 and Visual Arts. Almost 90% of students achieved in the top two bands for English Advanced, English Extension 2, Maths Extension1, Biology, Senior Science, Modern History, Legal Studies, Society & Culture, Business Studies, TAS & Japanese continuers.
Basketball - MyHoops

With former NBL basketball champion Bruce Bolden.

Date: Tuesday 26 September and Wednesday 27 September 2017
Time: 9am - 3pm
Ages: 7 - 17 years
Cost: $175 per child (2 days) or $105 per child (1 day).

Includes a free basketball.

Cricket - Camp Thunder

In partnership with Sydney Thunder.

Date: Wednesday 4 October 2017
Time: 8.30am - 3pm
Ages: 7 - 12 years
Cost: $75 per child

Gymnastics - Gym Sports

Tumble, balance, swing and jump.

Date: Tuesday 26 September, Wednesday 27 September, Thursday 28 September, Tuesday 3 October, Wednesday 4 October, Thursday 5 October 2017
Time: 10am - 12pm
Ages: 5 - 12 years
Cost: $35 per child

Netball - Captain’s Class

Coached by professional netballers and NSW captains Abbey McCulloch and Paige Hadley.

Date: Monday 25 September and Tuesday 26 September 2017
Time: 9am - 12pm
Ages: 6 - 15 years
Cost: $100 per child (2 days) or $60 per child (1 day).

Rugby League - Footy Clinic

Proudly supported by the NRL.

Date: Tuesday 26 September 2017
Time: 10am - 1pm
Ages: 5 - 12 years
Cost: $40 per child - all participants receive a NRL program pack.

Soccer - Wanderers In The Park

In partnership with Western Sydney Wanderers.

Date: Thursday 5 October and Friday 6 October 2017
Time: 9am - 12pm
Ages: 4 - 12 years
Cost: $120 per child (2 days) and $70 per child (1 day)
All participants receive a Wanderers training jersey.

To book visit
sports-centre.com.au
Quality Education In A Caring Environment

First Memories Early Learning Centre
54 Ball St Colyton
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0 - 6 years
All Inclusive
7am - 6pm Weekdays
Piper-Hunt Academy of Irish Dance

ALL AGES + ALL LEVELS

Based in Western Sydney was formed in 2017 by Kristen Piper (TCRG) and Ashlee Hunt-Renshaw (TCRG).
The school features world class teachers with both
Kristen and Ashlee being world
competitors, place getters and winning many other major
titles including State and National Championships.
Piper-Hunt Academy provides students with the
opportunity learn dance for fun or to compete at local,
state, national and international levels. The Academy
focuses on producing excellent and skilful dancers,
buidling self-esteem, and fostering lifelong friendships.

Enrolments are now being taken for Term 4 2017

For all enquiries please contact:
piperhuntirishdance@gmail.com
Kristen 0406 352 508
Ashlee 0424 555 027
Night work on Carlisle Avenue, Mount Druitt, from Monday 18 September

The NSW Government is funding this $650,000 project at the intersection of Carlisle Avenue and Fuller Street, and Carlisle Avenue and Frank Street, to improve safety for all road users.

Roads and Maritime will be:

- building a concrete median on Carlisle Avenue to stop right turns into Frank Street
- extending the existing northbound right turn bay on Carlisle Avenue into Fuller Street by 70 metres.

This work will improve safety on Carlisle Avenue by not allowing right turns into Frank Street. Stopping the right turn at Frank Street will prevent future accidents at this location. This work will also increase efficiency at the intersection of Carlisle Avenue and Fuller Street by extending the existing northbound right turn bay. Existing southbound left turns from Carlisle Avenue into Frank Street Avenue will be maintained. Existing northbound right turns from Frank Street into Carlisle Avenue will be maintained.

We invited feedback on the night work schedule in March and received six submissions. One submission was in favour of the proposed schedule to work up to five nights a week for a 10 week period. One submission was against the proposed schedule, favouring two nights of work a week. The other four submissions did not state a preference about the schedule but asked additional questions about the project.

After considering all responses, we have decided to proceed with the schedule to work up to five nights a week for a 10 week period, to minimise the disruption period for residents, businesses and road users. We thank everyone for considering the proposal and for their feedback. We have included a map to show the location of the work.

**Our work schedule**

We will be on site for **40 night shifts** and **10 day shifts** between Monday 18 September and Sunday 26 November, excluding public holidays, weather permitting. Our night work hours will be from 8pm to 5am between Sunday and Friday. Our day work hours will be from 7am to 5pm between Sunday and Friday and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. This work will include:

- building a concrete median on Carlisle Avenue to stop right turns into Frank Street
- removing vegetation
- building the pavement work to extend the existing northbound right turn bay on Carlisle Avenue into Fuller Street.
Higher School Certificate

We are planning our future work program and would like to know if there are students living in the area who will be sitting the Higher School Certificate (HSC) examinations in 2017. Please contact our delivery partner, DM Roads, on 1800 332 660 or enquiries_nsw@dmroads.com.au.

How will this work affect you?

The work may be noisy at times but we will do everything we can to minimise its impact, including completing the noisier tasks by midnight.

Following the closure at Frank Street, motorists will be able to access Frank Street by turning right into Fuller Street, turning right into Coates Street and then turning right again into Frank Street. This is expected to add up to four minutes to the average journey.

A site compound will be established on the corner of the Great Western Highway and Carlisle Avenue. This site compound will be used throughout the project to store materials.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact our delivery partner, DM Roads, on 1800 332 660 or enquiries_nsw@dmroads.com.au. For more information on our projects, visit rms.nsw.gov.au. Thank you for your patience during this important work.

If you need help understanding this information, please contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450 and ask them to call us on 1800 332 660.