

Keeping In Touch

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Issue 8

Term 4 Week 5 2018

Outstanding Mathematics ICAS Results for 2018

Colyton students finished their third ICAS examination with exceptional results! The Mathematics test had the most competitors out of the three categories with 194 Year 2-6 students participating.

The students received the following results:

97 Participation Certificates

11 Merit Certificates

46 Credit Certificates

33 Distinction Certificates

7 High Distinction Certificates

Special mention to our highest performing mathematicians who managed to get a place in the top 1 percent of all competitors and receive a High Distinction.

Rytham Singla, Aashna Thakur (Yr 2)

Abir Abdullah, Lamein Oatsomm (Yr 3)

Umar Atiq Rana, Vikram Prasad, Yash Singla (Yr 4)



Mrs Rodgers

State Athletics Carnival medal for Ariik



On Thursday November 1st, **Ariik Pech** from 6K attended the NSW PSSA State Athletics Carnival. He participated in the 11 Year Boys Long Jump where he competed against students from across NSW. Ariik jumped an impressive 5.09m which resulted in a bronze medal!

Great Job Ariik we are extremely proud of you!



Jump Rope for Heart



A huge thank you to all participants for their efforts skipping and fundraising for the Jump Rope for Heart program this term. Together we rose over an incredible **\$3000**. Special congratulations to **Joshua Dickinson (6T)** for raising over \$500. This money will go towards vital heart research and education programs. We have loved seeing so many smiling faces skipping on the playground and in sports lessons. Our Jump off Day was a huge success!

Miss Todorovic and Mr Jones

Panthers Legend's Gala Day

On Wednesday 24th October, Mrs King and 16 students participated in the Panthers Legend's Rugby League Gala Day. The day was both enjoyable and successful with a few wins, a draw and a couple of very close losses.

Most importantly, we all had a great day, improving our football skills, teamwork and sportsmanship. We even managed to get a photo with Royce Simmons!

Thanks to Lino and the other Game Development Officers from Penrith Panther's for this fabulous opportunity!



Fun Day

Year 6 students, teachers and Mr Wood would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported and participated in our Fun Day. The day was a success, raising \$5514.95 which Year 6 will use to purchase their gift for the school and will contribute to the cost of end of year celebrations.

Students were able to sponge teachers, tests skills in 'minute to win it' and sports games, bounce around on jumping castles and eat many delicious snacks and treats. Well done to Year 6 who worked very hard in organising and running their chosen events.

Thank you again to all of the families and community members who were generous in their donations. A special thank you to the following businesses that also helped with donations:

- Supercheap Auto Marsden Park and Mt Druitt
- Creative Spirit Centre Minchinbury
- Hoyts Mt Druitt
- The Coffee Emporium Mt Druitt
- EMB Solutions

Also to Mr Puliueva for the generous donation of the jumping castles.



Schools Spectacular



During Term 4, 16 Colyton students have been working hard rehearsing our amazing dance for the School Spectacular Performances on Friday 23rd November and Saturday 24th November.

Our segment is called 'The Greatest Stories'. Students tell a story of friendship and features many of the Winnie the Pooh characters, The Hungry Caterpillar along with Snuggle Pot and Cuddle Pie. If you would like to come along to see this wonderful performance and support our students, matinee and evening tickets can be purchased at:

<https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=SCHLSPEC18>.

If you are unable to make it to the performance, be sure to watch Channel 7's coverage in December.

On behalf of all staff and students, we wish the girls good luck for their big performance!



Public Speaking Competition

On Wednesday 25th October four talented students made their way to Ropes Crossing Public School for the St Mary's District Public Speaking Competition, escorted by Mr Wilkinson.

The students were to present their speeches to an audience of approximately eighty people, with four expert judges watching and scoring their performances. A student from each Primary year group had been selected to represent their cohort, each having come first in their Colyton PS year group competition in Term Three.

Out of 18 schools for each year group, our students performed marvellously.

Melissa of Year 5 came 2nd in her year group

Giannie of Year 3 came 3rd in her year group

Saarana of Year 4 and **Tyrone** of Year 6 both performed commendably.

Well done Melissa, Giannie, Saarana and Tyrone.

ANSTO Excursion

On Wednesday the 31st of October, Stage 3 headed out on excursion to Australia's Nuclear Science & Technology Organisation (ANSTO). There they had the opportunity to go on a tour of the site, which includes the OPAL nuclear reactor and some of Australia's most important research facilities.

For many, highlights of the day included being checked over by the Australian Federal Police before entering, seeing the "plane shredder" construction atop the reactor, and learning how crocodiles in the Northern Territory have been found with lead in their bodies years after eating bullets.

Back at school the next day students were faced with a mock radiation hazard which closed off a large part of the senior area. After some frenzied discussions, they were able to use the knowledge and high level vocabulary developed on excursion to put together some amazing pieces of creative and persuasive writing.

Kielle Murillo: "I loved learning about how they make medicines there. It was interesting to learn about how something dangerous can be turned into something to serve others."

Zia Saquing: "I liked learning about phosphorus luminesce. I was amazed how plumbers use this technology to detect leaking pipes".



Kindergarten Orientation Visits

We are in the first week of our Colyton Kindergarten Orientation visits. The students have been visiting our Kindergarten room and have participated in a range of activities. Whilst the Kindergarten 2019 children are having lots of fun in the classroom, parents have been participating workshops. This week's workshop was "How to Help Your Child at Home".



Our Kindergarten students are helping their new Kindergarten 2019 friends settle into school by working with them in the classroom. It was lovely to see the students so eager to help. They were showing the children how to go safely, respectfully, responsibly and as a learner.

The Possums wrote about their experience with the Kindergarten 2019 students:

Today was the first time to see the new Kindy kids. We saw all of them at school. They were nice to me.

By Salar

Today the visitors came to our school. I played with Mohammed and I packed up with Kamran.

By Rishan

Today the little Kindy kids came to our room. We got to help them. They were nice to us. They were good in the room. They looked good too.

By Rania

Today we helped the Kindy kids. We got to have a buddy. It was fun. I liked my buddy. My buddy was Katie.

By Anisha

Teddy Bear's Picnic

On Thursday 25th October our 2019 Kindergarten students joined us for a Teddy Bear's Picnic. It was a great success and was very well attended by our 2019 Kindergarten students and their parents. Firstly we gathered in the Hall to sing a few songs and then we had a Teddy Bear parade. A special guest visited us as well, Raggedy Ann, who joined us for our parade. Then we went outside and our Teddies watched us rotate through sporting activities before we all returned to the Hall for morning tea. A great time was had by all.



Stage One Excursion to 'The Gruffalo's Child'

On Friday 2nd November, 2018 students from Year 1 and Year 2 went on an excursion to The Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre in Penrith to see the musical adaptation of "The Gruffalo's Child". We have been learning about imaginative writing and the creative features in which writers use to engage readers. The picture book was brought to life through the use of physical theatre, music and puppetry. The musical adaptation used themes, creatures, costumes, rhythms and rhymes which had all of us filled with infectious laughter.



Jessica Palmer
Class Teacher

K-2 Athletics Carnival

Thank you to all the families and friends that attended the K-2 Athletics Carnival and supported our students. It was a great day that began with age races and continued after recess with novelty events. Well done to all students for participating in the events and congratulations to the race winners!

Thank you to the staff and parent helpers for making it a successful day.



Mrs Sabellico and Miss Gillman
K-2 Athletics Carnival Organisers

Term 4

Week 6

Tuesday 20th November

DISCO – Year 6 Fundraising

Wednesday 21st November

Kindergarten Assembly – 2pm

Thursday 22nd November

Stage 3 Assembly – 2pm

Friday 23rd November

Play and Stay @ Colyton – 9am in the Community Hub

Week 7

Wednesday 28th November

Parent Helpers Morning Tea
Stage 1 Assembly – 2pm

Friday 30th November

Play and Stay @ Colyton – 9am in the Community Hub

Week 8

Monday 3 rd December	OC Orientation Evening
Tuesday 4 th December	OC Orientation Day
Wednesday 5 th December	Sports & Service Assembly – 9:30am Kindergarten Assembly – 2pm
Friday 7 th December	Play and Stay @ Colyton – 9am in the Community Hub

Week 9

Tuesday 11 th December	OC Bunnings Christmas Carols
Wednesday 12 th December	Years Presentation Night – 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Friday 14 th December	Year 6 Fun Day – Luna Park K-2 Presentation Day

Week 10

Monday 17 th December	K-2 Fun Day Year 6 Graduation Assembly – 9:30am Year 6 Farewell - 6pm
Wednesday 19 th December	Last day of school for students
Thursday 20 th December	Staff Development Day – NO STUDENTS
Friday 21 st December	Staff Development Day – NO STUDENTS



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November 2018**

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**VENUE: Mt Druitt -
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provided upon
registration**

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ARE FILLED WITH BIG
EMOTIONS, IT IS OUR JOB
TO SHARE OUR CALM, NOT
JOIN THEIR CHAOS.**

About Dr Amanda Mullin - Director
Mindworx Psychology

Dr Amanda Mullin, MAPS, FCCLP, is a Doctor of Clinical Psychology, with extensive and specialist training in Clinical Psychology. She has worked with a wide range of clients in private practice, and completed specialist training at the Macquarie University Centre for Emotional Health, a world leading research clinic which specialises in understanding the causes of anxiety, and developing highly effective treatments for anxiety disorders.



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