

Week 10

Term 3

26 September 2019

What's on?

SEPTEMBER

27 Last day Term 3

OCTOBER

- 14 First day Term 4 for Students and Staff
- 15 RSS Choir Rehearsal
- **16 Sports Team Photos**
- **18 RSS Choir Dress Rehearsal**
- 22 Grandparents Day
- 23 Film by the Sea Festival: Event Cinema Miranda
- 24 RSS Performance
- 30 Paul Sironen Gala Day
- 31 Year 6 Fun Day



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to Mrs Carly Hockley (formerly Miss Byrne) who was married last weekend. 4B are eagerly awaiting the wedding photos.

Congratulations to our very talented debating team, who under the guidance of Putney's debating Coach Mrs Hedge, won the Ku-ring-gai / Ryde District debating Competition. This is a first for Putney and it w as a proud moment seeing our team awarded their trophies by the Ku-ring-gai Mayor.



Our senior choir are getting very excited about their performance at the Sydney Opera House on 24th October. We congratulate Sophie A who has been selected to sing a solo part during the performance. Thank you to Mrs Fowler for coordinating rehearsals and ticket sales so efficiently. I look forward to seeing the performance, which is always a spectacular show.

Thank you to all the members of the Putney Public School community who attended Student-Led Reporting last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many parents/friends in attendance, providing opportunities for our students to showcase their learning. As I walked around the school I was extremely impressed with the confidence demonstrated by our students as they discussed their learning in regards to the content learnt, the process followed, the skills developed and their goal setting and achievements.

Online applications for Selective High School placement for 2021 will open on 8 October and close on 11 November 2019. Details have been given to year 5 students today and also emailed to year 5 parents. We ask that parents intending to apply for Selective High School placement return the slip either by email or to the class teacher before the 11th November.

NAPLAN reports were sent out to parents last week. I encourage parents to contact their child's teacher if they have any queries or concerns. Staff will be accessing and analysing this data to help valuate programs and guide future planning.

Congratulations to our Putney Athletes who will be representing the school and Ryde Zone at the Sydney North Regional Athletics carnival on Wednesday 16th October at Sydney Olympic Park at Homebush. We wish Sora W, Kobe T, Nathan P, Charlie B and our Senior Boys' relay team-Thomas G, Soliman I, Jonathan G and Charlie B.

Thank you to everyone for the support of the Putney disco coordinated by our P&C. The students thoroughly enjoyed the event and demonstrated exemplary behaviour. Thank you to the staff and parents who volunteered to assist on the night, it was much appreciated.





Congratulations to Ms Kerrie Sheehan who was presented

with her Metropolitan North Director Award for her significant contribution to teaching in Public School reflecting the values of the NSW Department Of education's Strategic Plan 2018-2020. Ms Sheehan is pictured here receiving her award from Mr Brad Griffith Director, Educational leadership Ryde Network and Mrs Cathy Brennan, Director, Public Schools NSW, Department of Education and Communities. Mr Brad Griffith visited our school during the week to see first-hand the wonderful work being implemented in ICT.

Ms Sheehan has accepted a permanent teaching position, beginning next term and it is with sadness that we say goodbye but thank her for her valuable contributions to our students and the community. We have been very fortunate to employ Mr Scott Kemp to continue the wonderful work that Ms Sheehan and Ms Thomas have implemented over the last two years in ICT.



Congratulations to all Stage 3 students who recently showcased their Project Based Learning Lunar Theme Park to the Stage 2 students. The students worked collaboratively and learnt about financial concepts such as: income,



expenditure, calculating wages and providing services through the invention of a Lunar Theme Park on the moon in the year 2150. The PBL engaged students creatively while mastering new mathematical calculations.

The changeover to summer uniform begins next term. We are being vigilant about students wearing school hats on the playground during break times, which is being adhered to by most students. We do however find that some students go to lost property to take a hat that is not theirs so they can play with their friends. As a result, school hats that are clearly marked with a name that have been misplaced and are in lost property are being taken by others to wear. I will be speaking about this problem with the students. I ask if you can assist us by checking that your child does indeed have their own school clothing and it is clearly labelled.

Mr Koletti will be returning home next week. He has been moved from St George hospital and continuing with his rehabilitation. Mr Koletti has extended his leave for Term 4 and I have been asked to continue in the relieving position. I'd like to thank the community for your support during my time in the position and look forward to the term ahead. I might even cheer on the Roosters, just for Mr Koletti!

M. Brooks Relieving Principal



Ryde District Debating Champions 2019

On Wednesday 18th September, our competitive debating team consisting of Alanah S, Zoe C, Josh O, Jordyn C, Catherine D and Tahlia H represented our school at the Grand Final of the Ryde/Ku-ring Gai Debating Competition. The final debate took place in the Council Chambers before a large crowd of supporters including the Mayor of Ku-ring Gai, Ms Jennifer Anderson.

Arguing that "Australia should become Vegetarian", our fearless debaters challenged a very strong team from Ryde East Public School who had not lost a debate this season. Alanah argued that the livestock industry through methane output adversely affects the environment and contributes to climate change. Zoe argued that many Australians already embrace a vegetarian diet and as our final speaker, Josh argued that a change was necessary for the future.

In a unanimous verdict before three adjudicators, Putney was named the winner! This outcome is as a result of months of hard work and dedication on the part of these talented students. Countless lunchtimes, evenings and weekends were spent researching, writing and preparing their speeches. I am so proud of each student for their dedication and commitment to the team.

While our Friendly debaters still have two debates to complete, the Grand Final brings to a conclusion the Competitive Season. I am looking forward to seeing what fantastic things these debaters will achieve in high school.

Linzi Hedge

Debating Co-Ordinator





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On Friday 20th September, parents were given the opportunity to visit classrooms and be guided through a series of learning opportunities with their children. It was great to see so many parents here at the school!



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Getting to know our Staff



Danni Camage Putney's Dance Teacher

On Wednesday the 18th September we had the opportunity to interview Putney's Dance group choreographer Danni Camage. We asked her about her career as a dance teacher. She has always loved to dance. Danni started dancing when she was three years old and has continued to dance ever since. She has taught at Putney since 2012 as well as owning her own dance studio, Avenue D. Danni puts in a lot of effort each week by choreographing and teaching dances to Putney students.

Danni has accomplished many of her dreams including going to America and dancing at Disneyland when she was only fourteen! Danni loves teaching students and seeing them enjoy themselves. The hardest part of Danni's job is coordinating thousands of costumes and the administration side of her work.

Danni loves to dance and teach others because dancing is an expressive art. She enjoys creating movement to music and loves seeing everyone's faces when they hit the dance floor.

We asked Danni if she had always wanted to open her own dance studio and she said that she only just found a folder that she made when she was eight years old. Inside was a time frame and plan for her own studio. Danni wanted to name the studio Attitude and Style. She has worked hard to make her dreams come true and now has her own dance studio Avenue D.

Danni is a very experienced dancer and choreographer. Her students always look forward to seeing her each week as she makes dance group fun. We are so lucky to have her and her expertise as we have won many awards.



Ms Sheehan Technology and 4/3ES Teacher

On Wednesday the 18th September we had the opportunity to interview our ICT teacher Ms Sheehan.

Ms Sheehan is the best technology teacher in the world. She says technology is great for everybody because it levels the playing field for everybody and it challenges all of us to keep improving our ideas. It is also super fun.

Ms Sheehan's favourite NRL team is the West Tigers. Her favourite football team is Arsenal because of the funny name. Mrs Sheehan would love to go to Wimbledon one day and also see the Monaco Grand Prix.

Ms Sheehan loves teaching and meeting new kids. She loves Dolly Parton and her favourite adventure ever was going to Dollywood in Tennessee.

Ms Sheehan went to Chester Hill North primary school and Sefton high school. She completed a sport degree at U.W.S., a teaching degree at U.N.E. and is now studying her Master's degree in Special Education.

When Ms Sheehan was young she played softball and baseball for Australia. She played professional Softball in Italy for a year. Mrs Sheehan also lived In Fiji for a year and taught English on a remote island. She is a great AFL coach and Tee ball coach.

We are very lucky to have Mrs Sheehan teaching technology we are learning so much from her great skills. We are very sad that Mrs Sheehan will not be with us for Term 4 2019. We will miss her awesome coaching and teaching.

By Dan P and Will M



By Sophie B and Holly O



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JUDO News

On the 15th of September **Leon P** represented Putney Public School in Judo NSW's Junior Schools Cup. He won the following medals in the competition: 1 Gold, 0 Silver, 0 Bronze. Judo is a sport where individuals compete against each other to score an 'Ippon' which is awarded for a controlled throw or for pinning an opponent down for 20 seconds. Judo has many practical uses and teaches using opponents momentum to your benefit. Overall I would like to congratulate Leon on behalf of our school for his efforts!

Joshua Riddett, Judo NSW

Grandparents Day Photography Competition

As part of Grandparents Day this year, we will be holding a school photography competition, inviting all students from Kindergarten to Year 6 to enter. The competition aims to foster relationships between younger and older generations by creating and capturing special moments together.

The details include:

- Entries: Each student may submit <u>one photo</u> for the competition. The photo needs to be printed out (either on photo paper, framed, on a canvas, etc) for their entry to be displayed on Grandparents Day in the school hall.
- **Theme:** The theme for our competition is 'Connecting Generations'. Capture a special moment with your grandparent/ grandparents or grand friend. Photo entries must feature a grandparent/s or grand friend. Please ensure students have been given permission from their grandparent/s to include the photo in our school competition.
- Special Effects: Students may add special effects, use websites/ apps to edit their photos and print them in colour or black and white.
- Due Date: All entries must be given to Mrs St Flour by *Friday 18th October* 2019 with the *student's name* and *class* clearly labelled.

If you require additional information, please contact to Mrs St Flour or Mrs Brooks.



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FESTIVAL OF



We are looking for a volunteer parent from each year (K-6) to help coordinate their year's involvement in the Putney Public School Fete.

If you will help out - please contact Marcia Lazo at scotty.marcia@gmail.com ASAP

SUGGESTED STALLS

We are looking for the following legends:

1. FETE SPONSORS 2. RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS 3. MARKET STALLS 4. PEOPLE TO DUNK AT THE FUNKY DUNKING STALL

We already have our first few sponsor applications, raffle prizes donated, some market stalls locked in and we have our first four nominees for the dunking station. They include a mayor, an MP and a relieving Principal!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING A FUN FESTIVAL LEGEND?

Wanna sponsor? www.putneypublicfete.net/sponsors/pricing Wanna donate a prize? www.putneypublicfete.net/donations Wanna run a stall? www.putneypublicfete.net/market/stalls/ Wanna nominate somebody to get FUNKY DUNKED? www.putneypublicfete.net/entertainment/funky_dunk

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL FETE@PUTNEYPC.ORG.AU

Cake Stall Second-hand book stall Facepainting Grass-heads Popcorn Fairy Floss Slushies Lolly and Lucky Dip Badge Making Plaster painting



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