



# NEWSLETTER

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SHELLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

24th July 2020



## Principal's Report

### Welcome back for Term 3

It has been a great start to the school term! On Monday, our teachers had a very productive Staff Development Day, participating in sessions focusing on

- CESE: What works best? Evidence-based practices to help improve NSW student performance
- School Excellence in Action (the new Strategic Improvement Planning and External Validation processes)
- Teacher Accreditation with NESA and
- Strategic Direction 2 (Evidence Based Teaching Quality Literacy and Numeracy Programs) including professional learning and workshops around the teaching of Grammar.

It was a very informative day of professional learning for our teachers.

Our students returned to school on Tuesday – and it was pleasing to see them all so well presented in school uniform. (There are a few reminders about uniform requirements and expectations later in the newsletter). I am confident these great standards of uniform will continue throughout the term.

Our first session of Footsteps took place yesterday and it is always a delight to see the eager participation of our students in these sessions.

Walking around the school this week, I have been pleased to see the active engagement of our students and their enthusiasm for learning. Well done to all of our students and their teachers for such an industrious and positive start to the school term.



## DROP OFF AND PICK UP

**During the current COVID restrictions, parents are unable to come onto school grounds.**

**Please drop your child at the gate and pick them up from the same gate each afternoon.**

**Kindergarten pick up time: 3:00pm**

**Year 1-6 students will be dismissed from class at 3:00pm**

### Drop Off Reminder

From next week, staff will be at each of the four gates from 8:50am until the bell rings. If your child is anxious about entering the school grounds alone, please drop them off during this time.

**All 4 gates will be locked immediately after the bell.**

Students arriving late (after the bell) will need to enter via the Hadrian Ave carpark pedestrian gate and proceed to the office for a late note.

## Colds and Illness – Should my child attend school?

In the midst of winter, we naturally have many cold and flu “bugs”. Although regular attendance at school is important – it is also essential that children are fit and well when at school. This is particularly important in the current climate of COVID.

**Children who are unwell should be kept at home, until the symptoms have cleared.**

We often have reports of students diagnosed with various strands of influenza. Influenza is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. Exposure to influenza at school can cause illness for large numbers of students and teachers– so we ask parents to help us by ensuring their children remain at home if they are unwell.

If your child has been vomiting or had diarrhoea, the best advice is to keep them home until 24 hours after the vomiting / diarrhoea has stopped.

**If your child is sick with COVID symptoms and they have are being tested, please notify the school immediately.** Students will need to remain at home until they have been cleared. (If your child has had direct contact with someone who has returned a positive COVID result, your child will still need to remain home for the 14 days, even if they have a negative result). Children who have NOT had direct contact with a confirmed case, may return to school once they have received a negative result (unless advised otherwise by your doctor or NSW Health).

## Staffing News

Mrs Pikse has returned from Maternity Leave this term and will be working on Tuesday and Wednesday for the remainder of the year. Welcome back Mrs Pikse!

Mrs Elvy remains on leave for health reasons. Our thanks to Mrs Bradley and Mrs Elsaket who remain teaching 6E, to provide consistency and continuity in their learning. We wish Mrs Elvy a speedy recovery.

Mr George (our General Assistant) remains on leave for medical reasons. Mr Christian and Mr Greg continue to do a wonderful job looking after our school grounds. At the end of last term, all our staff and students made Mr George a lovely booklet wishing him all best and letting him know how much we miss him. He was very grateful for the well wishes and the beautiful messages from our Shelley community.

## Top Field

Those parents who drop off or pick up from the Blacktown Road gate, will have seen the commencement of work on our top field. We are obviously very excited with this work – as it has been long awaited. We have invested significant funds to ensure that this task is done well, so that the improvements will be long lasting. This week, the irrigation system and automated watering system is being installed. I have included a few photos for you to see the progress!

Once completed we will need to stay off the oval for about 6 weeks – but we hope to be able to use top field again by the start of Term 4.



## Opportunity Class Placement Test Reminder

For those students who have submitted an application for Opportunity Class Placement for 2021, please read the following reminder.

Applicants for Year 5 placement in an opportunity class in 2021 are required to take the Opportunity Class Placement Test to be held from 9:00 am to 11:15 am on Wednesday 16th September, 2020. Parents will be emailed with the location by the Department of Education.

## Lost Uniforms

The lost property cupboard is frequently overflowing. If your child has lost an item of uniform, please remind them to go and check the lost property (in the cupboard in the toilet just outside the hall).

Unfortunately many of the items that make their way to lost property are either unclearly labelled (the writing is faded or illegible) or not labelled at all. Where possible, labelled items are returned directly through the class teacher.

## Education Week and Semester 1 Reports

*(NB: Some information repeated from last newsletter – but important reminders about Education Week and Semester 1 reports this year!)*

Education Week is an annual state-wide event that celebrates the NSW public education community. This year, Education Week will run from Monday 3 August to Friday 7 August 2020.

“The theme for Education Week 2020 is Learning Together. It's a theme that reflects an incredible year for NSW public school students, staff and parents, and the partnerships that have been strengthened in response. This Education Week, we embrace the whole NSW public education community, highlighting the achievements of local schools and the role of public schools as the cornerstone of their communities. Join us for #EdWeek20 as we celebrate learning together with our students, parents, teachers, schools and the community.”

In this year of bushfires, floods and COVID-19, the key messages of Education Week 2020 are:

- Schools are the cornerstone of communities
- Parents and carers are our partners in learning. Schools and families benefit from strong, respectful relationships where responsibility for student learning is shared.
- Change and resilience
- Our teachers and students are lifelong learners, collaborating in a positive learning environment to achieve their best: Learning together makes us strong and creates resilient communities.
- Connect better and learn together: Our school staff are dedicated professionals who know, value and care for all students. Technology enables learning together anywhere, any time.

Education Week is in Week 3, however, it will be an Education Week with a difference! With access to school grounds limited to students, staff and essential visitors, it is now confirmed we will not be able to welcome our parents and community members to school. We are very disappointed, as we all love Education Week. It is a wonderful time to celebrate the work of our students and teachers, and to strengthen our connections with parents and caregivers.

We are however planning our celebrations in a “virtual space”!

During Week 3, all parents will be invited to visit their child's Google Classroom with them to view some samples of the great work that is being done within their grade. Keep an eye on our social media too, for further celebrations of Shelley students, during Education Week.



As already advised, there will be no K-2 or 3-6 Athletics carnivals during Education Week, as we would normally have.

Student reports for Semester 1 will be sent home at the end of Week 3 Term 3, due to the school changes brought about by COVID and learning from home.

For 2020 there have been some temporary changes to the requirements for reporting, so the Semester 1 report for Shelley students will look a little different to usual.

The Semester 1 report will provide a summative account of student progress and achievement on learning covered during Semester 1, both at school and at home, with information about what might need to be done to support your child's learning growth. There will be no grading of students using the five point A-E scale (previously outstanding, high, sound, basic or limited on a Shelley report).

Student assessment remains an important process in the teaching and learning cycle that enables teachers to monitor student progress, provide feedback to students on the learning that has taken place, guide teachers in their ongoing provision of appropriate learning opportunities, and to report to parents/carers on student learning progress. Teachers have used opportunities as students have returned to school to gather further information about student learning progress using a broad range of assessments.

Parents will receive a simplified written report which describes your child's progress and achievement across English, Mathematics, and Integrated Studies during Semester 1. There will also be a general comment. The report will also provide information about student attendance and commitment to learning. Remember if your child was at home, and engaging in online learning, they will have been marked as in attendance. If they were at home but did not engage in online learning, they will have been marked absent for the day. (Our teachers endeavoured to be very diligent in recording which students participated in online learning each day, however we acknowledge there may be some discrepancies within this time.)

When your child's report does come home (around Friday 7th August), please take the time to read your child / children's report carefully with them and encourage discussion about their achievements.

Children develop many of their attitudes about their learning based on the conversations they have with important adults in their lives. Reports are a great opportunity to celebrate with your child, the learning they have been undertaking. They are also an opportunity to reinforce the home-school partnership.

As entry on to school grounds is still restricted to staff, students and essential visitors, we will not hold three way interviews at the start of Term 3 as we normally would. However, parents are reminded- please don't hesitate to contact the office to make an appointment to speak to the class teacher if you would like to discuss any aspect of the report, or your child's learning in Semester 1.

## Shelley Super Star Learners are:



## Uniform

It is great to see the pride our students take in their uniform, and we have been very impressed with the standard of student presentation as they return to school. Just few reminders:

- Green dance pants are NOT part of the school uniform and should not be worn.
- Tracksuit pants are only part of the sports uniform – and should only be worn on Friday (sports day).
- All students are required to wear black school shoes with their school uniform on Monday through to Thursday. Joggers should ONLY be worn to school on Friday, for the sport day.
- Socks are white for both girls and boys. Socks should be white fold down socks (NOT the low cut socks, designed to sit right down in the shoes).
- Please make sure ALL uniform items are labelled – particularly jackets. We continue to have many jackets (even the bomber jackets) being left in the playground – with NO NAME, making it difficult to return to the rightful owner.

## Reminder to Parents - Neighbours

As we commence the new term, I would just like to remind all parents and caregivers once again of the importance of safe practices at drop-off and pick-up time each day.

I would also ask our school community to please be mindful of our neighbours and their properties. It is disheartening to still occasionally receive phone calls from local residents about parents parking across driveways, making illegal turns and driving unsafely in Hadrian Ave and Pelleas Street. This is most disappointing to hear, as it also reflects badly on our school community.

Please help to ensure the safety of our students – and help to maintain Shelley's great reputation, by being mindful of these matters.

## Enrolments for Kindergarten 2021

It is Term 3 already – and before we know it, we will be planning for Kindergarten orientation. We are currently accepting applications for enrolment in Kindergarten 2021. **If you have a child who will be turning 5 before 30th July, 2021 and you are intending to enrol them for next year, please complete an application form as soon as possible and return it to the office.**

Likewise, if you have a neighbour or friends with pre-school children who is intending to commence next year – please advise them to complete their application in the next few weeks.

The number of applications for Kindergarten has a significant impact on school organisation for 2021. We ask for your assistance in ensuring applications are sent in as soon as able.

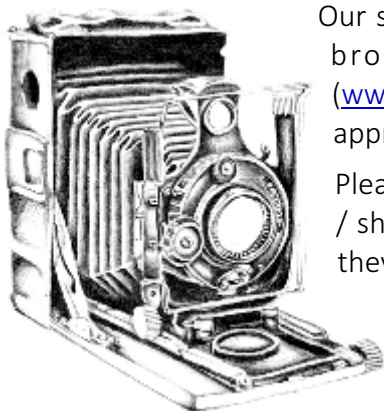
“Application to enrol” forms are available from the office. You can ring the office and we will organise for your older children to bring a form home, or we can meet you at a gate to provide you with the form. **Those parents who do not live in the catchment area and wish to send their children to Shelley PS are also required to complete an out of area application form, which will be reviewed by the Out of Area Panel.**

*Jo-Ann Campion*



## Deputy Principal's Report

### School Photographs



Our school photo day is next Monday 27th July. All photo envelopes must be brought to school on Monday. If you choose to order online, ([www.theschoolphotographer.com.au](http://www.theschoolphotographer.com.au)) please enter your receipt number in the appropriate box on the order envelope and return to school on Monday.

Please ensure your child is in full school uniform on. Students may wear culottes / shorts or green school trousers. Students may wear their school jacket but they will be asked to remove them for their photos. Black school shoes with white socks must be worn. Girls can wear green stockings underneath their culottes if preferred. **Track suit pants, dance pants or coloured sneakers are not to be worn.**

### NCCD

At Shelley, we are currently completing our responsibilities for the NCCD (Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability).

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability is a compulsory annual collection that counts the number of students receiving an adjustment due to disability and the level of reasonable adjustment they are receiving.

Student and family privacy are protected as no names or other identifying information is provided in the collection. For more information, see the attached notice.



### Yarn In – Say No to Domestic Violence

Blacktown City Council is putting out the call for knitters to take up their needles to raise awareness of domestic and family violence.

Blacktown City Council  
2019 Knit Bomb

**Yarn In**  
COVID 19 - time to spare?  
Knit yarn squares.

Whilst you are in isolation help us knit or crochet squares and pom poms of all sizes. They will be sewn together and used to knit bomb Blacktown during the 16 days of activism campaign in November.

If you are a keen knitter, or even a beginner, you can be part of our campaign to raise awareness about domestic violence. Store your completed squares at home and we will collect them closer to the installation.

Contact us:  
[knitbomb@blacktown.nsw.gov.au](mailto:knitbomb@blacktown.nsw.gov.au)  
For more information visit [blacktown.nsw.gov.au](http://blacktown.nsw.gov.au)

**SAY NO TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Blacktown City Council

Blacktown Womens Advisory Committee

They want people to knit or crochet squares and make pom poms of all sizes and colours which will be used at the Village Green in November.

At the completion of the campaign, the woollen squares will be sewn into blankets and distributed to local charities.

The community of Shelley PS will be making and collecting squares and pom poms to wrap one of our own Shelley trees and also to send to Blacktown Council.

If you or members of your family would like to contribute to the campaign, squares or pom poms can be sent to the Shelley office for collection. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

In partnership,

**Leanita Williams**

# Footsteps



# A managed return to school



5 days a week



Students at school 5 days at week.



Students must bring their own water bottle.



Non-essential visitors are not permitted on school ground. Parents and carers must physically distance at drop off and pick up.



Follow health advice and keep your child home if they are unwell.



For full details visit  
[education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families](https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families)





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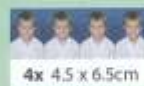
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# HOW TO ORDER

EACH STUDENT MUST HAND IN **THEIR OWN** COMPLETED ENVELOPE

**Sibling Envelopes** are available at the School Office  
PLEASE DO NOT PLACE YOUR SIBLING ENVELOPE INSIDE THIS ENVELOPE


WE ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING PAYMENT METHODS:

- 1. CASH Please enclose correct money as NO CHANGE will be given
- 2. MONEY ORDER All Money Orders are to be made payable to "The School Photographer"
- 3. ONLINE CREDIT CARD PAYMENT Simply visit our website [www.theschoolphotographer.com.au](http://www.theschoolphotographer.com.au) and follow the prompts - Please write your receipt number in the space provided below (Handling fee applies)
- NO CHEQUES Due to a change in bank policy Cheques are no longer accepted
- COMBINED PAYMENTS If combining payments for more than one child please complete the 'combined payments' box below
- LATE ORDERS Any orders placed after school photographs have been delivered to the school will incur a \$15.00 handling fee (includes postage)

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(Each student MUST have their own envelope - please mark an X in the appropriate box)

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Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child's name to be included underneath the class/year group photograph. If I DO NOT wish my child's name to appear I will notify the school IMMEDIATELY.

	Price	x	Qty	=
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**A PACK - 1 x 18x13cm, 2 x 13x9cm**



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**FAMILY NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CHILDREN'S NAMES** - Please note: Only siblings attending this school can be photographed

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**Online sibling orders MUST be placed before 7am on photo day.**

**I am paying by:**

- Please Tick  Cash (Enclosed in this envelope)  
 Cash (Enclosed in eldest child's envelope)  
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 Enter the purple code from the eldest child's individual envelope into the website, then  
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MOUSE MAT	<b>\$18</b>	x	<input type="text"/>	= <input type="text"/>
MUG	<b>\$20</b>	x	<input type="text"/>	= <input type="text"/>
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# Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the '[Australian Governments Privacy Policy \(https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy\)](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal \(https://www.nccd.edu.au\)](https://www.nccd.edu.au).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

**Jo-Ann Campion**

Principal



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New and Returning Registration: Friday, 24 July, 2020.

New Students can also join on any Friday during term.

**New and Returning  
Students**

**Ages 4-6**

Class Time 4:15 to 4:55 PM

**New Students**

**Ages 7-16**

**and Returning Students**

Class Time 5:00 to 5:40PM

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REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO TURN UP. WE DO NOT TURN KIDS AWAY. NO PRE-REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY. JUST TURN UP 10 TO 15 MINUTES BEFORE CLASS TIME ABOVE IF POSSIBLE. WE ACCEPT CHEQUES OR CASH. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, SEE WEBSITE AT [www.karate-kids.com.au](http://www.karate-kids.com.au).

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