

Welcome Back (again) Week 2

Islington Public School staff would like to congratulate our new and returning students on their first full week back at school. Our students have settled in to their classes and have adjusted to the new year's demands very well. Most importantly, our students have been showing great stamina and a positive attitude to their learning. Great effort is being made and great results are being promised already!

Our new Kindergarten students have just finished their first full week of school...ever! This year's Kindy kids have adapted to school life with amazing speed. Mrs Neil and Miss Alusiola have been astonished with how well their classes have been performing and are so happy to be teaching at Islington Public School. They can't stop smiling! We are so proud of you, K2020. Keep up the great work!



Term 1	Calendar 2020
Feb 18	Leaders Induction Assembly 2:00pm
Feb 19	Book Club Issue 1 closes
Feb 19	P&C meeting 5pm
Feb 21 – Feb 25	Life Education visit
Feb 21	Assembly 11:40am Showcase 4/5/6R
Mar 6	Assembly 11:40am Showcase 2/6B

OOSH

We are pleased to be able to announce that a new provider has been approved to operate Out of School Hours Care at Islington Public School. The new provider is The After School Klub (TASK) Group, an experienced and highly commended provider who are locked in and ready to go.

TASK will be accepting enrolments online next week, with placements guaranteed for current Out of School Hours Care users, as well as plenty of place for new enrolments too. See flyer elsewhere in this newsletter for further details.

TASK's quick response to fill our community's after school care needs, following Wemoosh's decision to withdraw their Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) from the Islington Public School site, is much appreciated and we welcome them to our school. TASK's provision of service will commence on Monday 2nd March 2020. As planned, there will be no break in the continuity of after school care and no Islington Public School student will be disadvantaged. Phew!

Timetable changes

A reminder that a few things have changed this year:

- Assemblies will now be held at 11:40am-12:40pm fortnightly on Fridays, commencing today, but continuing from 21st February 2020. Our next showcase class for the year will be 4/5/6R. All welcome.
- Primary sport will now be held on Fridays, from 2:00pm-3:00pm. This will allow us to align our sporting programs with interschool and regional competitions.
- Canteen will still be operating on Fridays, commencing next week on 14th February 2020.
- The back playground has been opened up for students at lunchtimes and recess. This area is being scheduled for development this year also. Mr Lumley is seeking to install a large fixed equipment playground/PE area, adventure play area and Aboriginal yarning circle. This will take time, effort, patience and eye-watering amounts of money. Teachers on playground duty are now wearing pink hi-vis vests to be more visible for students. Our kids are getting the message: if the teacher is in pink, they're on duty and available to help.
- Scripture and ethics will begin next Friday 14th February 2020.

As usual, special events such as Harmony Day, Easter Hat Parade, excursions, incursions, NAIDOC, after school sport, etcetera will be announced via the usual channels, ie notes sent home, the newsletter, Skoolbag app, Facebook, morning and biweekly assemblies.

Anaphylaxis Warning

We are requesting that parents/carers please refrain from packing peanuts or peanut products in the children's lunch boxes at school. We have a number of new and returning students with serious allergies to these products. Thank you for helping us minimise the risk of an anaphylactic reaction and protect our students' health

Kindergarten Packs

Thank you to the Kindergarten families who have returned the Kindergarten maths game and reading packs that were provided to you for use over the summer holidays. If you have not yet returned them, would you please return them to your child's teacher as soon as possible. They are an important resource for our new students and will be used again for our incoming Kindergarten at the end of this year. Thank you for your cooperation.



Uniforms

A reminder that full school uniform is to be worn by students at all times, regardless of the weather. Black school hat, gold polo shirt, school tunic, black shorts/skirt/pants, white socks, black shoes. Wearing our full school uniform is important, and not just because it looks pretty snazzy. School uniforms foster a sense of belonging as a student group and shows pride in our school. Inclusion and community are important values to us at Islington PS and wearing our full school uniform every day is just one way of showing it. Thank you



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Starting January 9th @ Dangar Park

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\$120 per child 8 to 17 years or
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Use your active kids voucher to take \$100 off
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Parents as Teacher's Classroom Helpers Volunteer Course

PaTCH 2020

The Parents as Teachers/Community Helpers (PaTCH) course is a training program to accredit volunteers supporting children learning to read, write and use counting in the early years of schooling.

Would you like to;

- Develop your understanding of how children learn?
- Consider how children learn to talk, read and write?
- Explore the importance of speaking and listening to literacy and numeracy development?
- Gain skills in assisting children by listening to children and talking with them about books being read and stories being written?
- Understand the need for children to be able to link quantifying with words and numerical symbols?

If you answered yes, then this is the opportunity for you!

Positions will be very limited and registration will be taken on a first in basis. Please register your interest with the school office on (02) 4969 3903.

During the course you will be supported to;
Collect work samples through a learning journal. The collection includes samples of resources, photographs or recordings of activities, short summaries of activities and reflections of practice. Be observed and supported by the classroom teacher and the Instructional Leader during the practicum experience. Engage in regular interviews related to session content with the Instructional Leader.

To complete this course, participants are asked to commit to;

- 5 training sessions totalling 10 hours of tuition.
- A minimum of 15 hours practicum in an early years classroom completing set tasks.

Dates of training and classroom visits will be negotiated to meet the needs of participants once participants have registered their interest.

TASK

out of school hours care

Enrolments open
Monday, 17 February
task-kids.com.au/islington



is coming soon to
Islington Public School

- *on site at Islington*
- *first aid & child protection trained staff*
- *TASK is screen free*
- *healthy meals / snacks*
- *homework, readers & free play*
- *fun & educational programs*
- *govt. approved provider*

Opening hours &
fees before rebate

After School Care
3.00pm - 6.00pm

- \$26 permanent
- \$31 casual

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