

Vineyard
Public School

Term 3 Week 5

22nd August
2018



Grapevine

A message from the Principal

There has certainly been plenty of things happening at Vineyard during the term. It is always great to have extra things on and the commitment to these extra and special activities of the students and community is amazing.

It is fantastic to witness the amazing talents of all of our students in many areas. The work that has been done in classrooms is demonstrating how hard the students are working. The Kindergarten and Year 1 students have done some excellent writing and the work of the students in reading in Miss Barker's class is showing all students making great progress. The students in 4/5/6 have been working extremely hard to improve their skills in number.

To see work of a consistent high standard in our school is fantastic.

Keep up the great work!

Thanks,
Matt Kean





Enrolments 2019

We are now accepting enrolments for 2019. If you, your neighbours or friends have any children ready to start school, now is the time to complete the necessary paperwork.

Please recommend our wonderful school to your friends who live in the area to come and have a look at what we have to offer. It would be of great assistance if we have accurate numbers of proposed kindergarten enrolments for next year.

New Website

Our fantastic new school website is now live! Miss Barker has been working hard to get it up to date with all the information you need to know about upcoming events and class news. The website will be update regularly, so if you need any reminders or extra information about things happening in our school, visit: <https://vineyard-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

P&C

The P&C meeting was held on the 16th of this Month. In the meeting, the P&C agreed to

fund the purchasing of a new SMART board for one of our classrooms! Thank you to the P&C for supporting the learning that is happening in our classrooms.

Don't forget about the upcoming Bunnings BBQ fundraiser at Bunnings, Rouse Hill on 8th September from 7am. We are looking for lots of volunteers to help make the day a success. A note will be sent closer to the date to ask for volunteers. It takes several people throughout the day to help with this event. It would be greatly appreciated if you could spare a couple of hours to help out.

The next P&C meeting will be held on the 20th September.

Book Fair and Education Week

Thank you our community for coming along to our open classrooms, K-6 assembly and Education Week BBQ. It's great when our parents are able to interact with students in our classrooms. All of the students were very excited!

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated books from the Book Fair to our school library! They will be ready for borrowing from the library shortly. Thank you for keeping our library relevant and excited for our students.



Book Parade and Village Visit

Come and join us next Thursday morning, 30th August for our Book Parade! Students come to school dressed up as their favourite character from a book. Parents, grandparents and visitors are welcome to attend to support our students. We can't wait to see everyone dressed up!

Students will also be visiting the Windsor Country Village in the afternoon to show off their wonderful costumes and celebrate Father's Day. Pick up will be normal time, 3pm.

Assembly Awards

Class Awards

Haylee
Annabelle
Bligh
Cassidy
Anabelle
Joey

Random Acts of Kindness Award

Eva



Father's Day Celebrations and Footy Colours Day

We are inviting all of our wonderful dads, grandads, uncles and friends to a Father's Day BBQ breakfast on Friday, 31st August. The BBQ will be run by the K1 class and will begin at 8:00am. We hope to see lots of bright, smiley faces!

At 9:00am we will be having our K-6 Assembly. Students will also have the opportunity to purchase gifts from the Father's Day stall which will be held after the assembly. Students will be able to buy a maximum of 2 gifts, which will be priced at \$5 each.

The 31st August will also be Footy Colours Day. Students come to school dressed in their favourite football team colours and bring with them a gold coin donation. Fight Cancer Foundation's Footy Colours Day is a national fundraising campaign held during the month of September to support kids living with cancer.



Hawkesbury Music Festival Rehearsal

On the 5th September, our second practice for the Hawkesbury Music Festival will be held at Hawkesbury High School. Students will need to make their way to the high school for a 10am start. Rehearsals will finish at 1pm. A note will go home shortly, indicating whether you are able to transport your child/ren or need assistance. As Miss Barker is the only teacher attending, she will have limited spaces in her car. If you have any questions about the day, please come and speak to Miss Barker.

Digi Ed

Earlier this term, students in year 2-6 had the opportunity to participate in a Digi Ed full day workshop. Students learned how to create a stop animation movie! Working in small groups, the students learned how to make characters out of clay, came up with their own stories, learned how to use new software and cameras, edit their films, choose sound effects and add background music to their films! It was a great day and an amazing experience for our students. You can view their short animations by visiting www.digied.com.au



Appointments

If you would like to speak with Mr Kean or any of our teachers about a concern you may have about your child/ren, please make an appointment through the front office.

Stage 3 Trip to Canberra

Just a reminder to those students attending the Canberra camp in Term 4, deposits and payments are able to be paid at any time. If you have any problems with payments, please do not hesitate to come and speak to Mr Kean. It is important to keep as close as you can to the payment schedule, as it can be difficult, like it is for all of us, to come up with a large amount of money at one time.

School Holidays

The last day of Term 3 will be the 28th September. Students return to school on the 15th October, which is a Monday. There is no pupil free day for Term 4.



Attendance

Attendance at school is extremely important for children to ensure they receive continued instruction in all subject areas. At times, your children may be sick and this is unavoidable. Please keep your children at home if they are ill. If your child is absent from school, an explanation of absence is required to the school within 7 days of the absence. We therefore ask parents to notify the school as soon as possible, and no later than 7 days after the first day of absence. You can send a note to the teacher, phone the office or send an email to the school email account: vineyard-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

If your child is absent for 3 days or more, you will be required to supply a medical certificate upon their return to school.

Lateness for school is also a crucial part of day-to-day attendance. If your child is late to school 10 minutes per day, that equals 50 minutes per week, which is 12.5 weeks per year. This would equate to nearly a year of school if this happens from kindergarten to year 12. It is important that we provide the students with these positive life-long habits now.

Small Schools Athletics Carnival

From our school Athletics Carnival, students who met distances and times were able to attend the Small Schools Athletics Carnival for both track and field. Congratulations to all of our students who attended these days. A special congratulations to Charlotte who came 3rd overall in Discus.



School Communication

Visit our website at

<https://vineyard-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Visit our Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/vineyardpublicschool>

If you haven't already, download our Skoolbag.

Skyworks Planetarium Visit

Skyworks Planetarium are coming to our school Monday, 10th September. Students arrive at normal time and the incursion will happen in normal school hours.

Students will be exposed to the wonders of space, our Solar System and astronomy as images of the night sky are projected inside a large dome. This incursion will complement our Earth and Space units the students have been working on this year.



Movie Night

To celebrate all of the wonderful learning our students at VPS have been doing throughout the year, we are holding a movie night! It will be held on the 27th September.

More details will be provided to closer to the date about the movie selection. Get your PJ's and popcorn ready!

Dates for your diary

30th August – Book Parade and Village Visit

31st August – Father's Day BBQ, K-6 assembly and Father's Day Stall

5th September – Hawkesbury Music Festival Rehearsals

10th September – Skyworks Planetarium Visit

25th September – Life Education

27th September – Movie Night

28th September – Last day of Term

15th October – First day of Term 4