

Smithfield West Public School

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Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the 38 students who journeyed to Brenan Park to represent our school at the Horsley Zone Cross Country Championships.

I was especially delighted to hear that our sportsmanship and effort on the day



were exceptional. A special shoutout to Jodeci Anderson (6th place, 8/9 Boys), Jezebel Nedanovski (8th place, 8/9 Girls), and Adrian Kwrea (8th place, 11 Boys), who will advance to the Sydney South West Championships next week. Thank you to Mr Kirby and Mrs Bennett for ensuring the day ran smoothly.

SPORT REPRESENTATIVES

Selection trials for the Horsley Zone Girls and Boys Touch teams for the upcoming Sydney South West Championships were held at our school last week. Congratulations to Marcus, Brayden, Sophia, Lamar, and Yasmine on their selection! Wishing them all the best in the competition.



SCHOOL CANTEEN CLOSED

Please note that the school canteen will be closed tomorrow, Friday, June 6. Students are asked to bring their own food and drinks on this day.

Bulletin: 25:04 **Term:** 2 **Week:** 6 Thursday 5 June

CALENDAR

Monday 9 June King's Birthday Public Holiday Wednesday 18 June K-6 Assembly – 2.10pm

Monkeys presenting **Friday 20 June** PSSA Gala Day

Wednesday 25 June 8-13 year olds Athletics Day - Rosford Street Reserve, Smithfield

Wednesday 2 July

End of Term Assembly – 9.10am

Friday 4 July Last Day Term 2 Monday 21 July School Development Day Tuesday 22 July

First Day Term 3

Wednesday 30 July K-6 Assembly – 2.10pm Rosellas presenting

Wetherill Street, Wetherill Park 2164 Phone: 9604 3161

Principal: Stephen Gray

PARENT/CARER NOTIFICATION FOR SPORT AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Please read this notification and be aware that it implies and serves as informed permission.

Our school values sport and physical activity and the essential role it plays in contributing to overall wellbeing for all students.

School sport is co-curricular and is a mandatory part of the school week for all students.

This year, sport and physical activity is organised and overseen by our school staff and takes place on the school site. (Please note, this does not include PSSA sport which is organised separately and requires parental permission for students to participate.)

Accident insurance information

In the event of injury, no accident or medical insurance cover is provided by the NSW Government Treasury Managed Fund for students participating in school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school endorsed activity, unless there is a breach of duty of care by department or school staff. The NSW Department of Education is insured to meet the financial impact of any legal liabilities arising from its activities. It does not provide, nor has it ever provided, accident or medical insurance for students enrolled in government schools.

Concussion management

When a student enrolled in a government school is diagnosed with concussion, the principal must be advised in writing as soon as the diagnosis is confirmed. Students may only return to sport and physical activity once a medical clearance has been provided to the school and, if at a school sport event, to the supervising teacher.

Any student that experiences a suspected concussion during a school-endorsed activity, will be removed from the activity and parents/carers will be advised that a medical follow-up is required.

If medical clearance is not provided, the student cannot participate in vigorous or competitive school sport or physical activities for 21 days from the concussion date.

APPLYING FOR EXTENDED LEAVE

Parents and carers may occasionally need to apply for extended leave for their child. If you plan to take your child out of school for an extended duration, please notify the school and complete the Application for Extended Leave form available at the office.

The Department of Education closely monitors attendance data and has set limitations on the types of leave that can be approved. Before granting leave, the following factors must be considered:

- The leave is for a significant reason, such as medical leave, visiting a sick relative, or attending a funeral either interstate or overseas.
- The child's attendance for the year is very high, and a short period of leave will not significantly affect their overall attendance rate.

I understand that many families have relatives overseas, and travel plans are often based on what is most convenient. I also recognise that travel costs and climate conditions are important considerations for families.

However, I cannot approve leave during the school term for family vacations. If leave is not approved, your child's absences will be recorded as 'unapproved leave'. Please note that my decision regarding travel approval does not affect your ability to take your planned leave.

Feel free to contact the school if you have any questions before making your travel arrangements.

VIDEOS AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF STUDENTS AT SCHOOL EVENTS

I understand that parents and carers often capture videos and photographs of their children during school activities and events. While I encourage this, I kindly ask that you be mindful of who is included in any shared or posted images. Some students do not have permission for their images to be published, and we want to ensure they are not inadvertently included. Thank you for your cooperation.

SCHOOL GATES

Please remember that both the Charles St and Gemoore St gates are locked from 9:05 am to 2:55 pm each day. Access to the school during these hours is through the pedestrian gate leading to the school office on Wetherill St. All visitors are required to report to the front office immediately upon arrival.

HEALTH CARE

At Smithfield West, we welcome information from parents about their child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support. We collect medical information during enrolment, but it is also crucial to inform us if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition arises.

Please provide written information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes, and any other health-related issues (including recent medical procedures within the last 12 months). This will help us effectively plan for your child's health and wellbeing.

Additionally, please update the school with any changes to your contact details or those of emergency contacts.

I appreciate your assistance in this matter, and I assure you that any information shared will be stored securely and used solely to support your child's health needs.

STEWART HOUSE

Thank you to the families who recently donated gold coins to Stewart House, the official charity of the Department of Education. \$358 was raised, which has already been forwarded directly to Stewart House.

NATIONAL CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA

It's time for the annual Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD). This collection counts the number of students receiving adjustments due to disability and the level of support they require to access education on par with their peers. No personal details, such as student names or identifying information, are included. If you would like more information about the NCCD, please reach out to the school.

WINTER ILLNESS

With winter upon us, we expect an increase in student illnesses like colds and flu. Here are some friendly reminders to help reduce the spread of illness:

- Stay home until symptom-free.
- Practice good hygiene, including regular hand washing.
- Ensure proper ventilation.

Students, staff, and visitors should only attend school when feeling well and symptom-free.

Stephen Gray

Principal

ASSEMBLY AWARD RECIPIENTS 21/05/2025

Magpies	Evalyn, Nergal, Jordan, Miran	
Pelicans	Matilda, Adrian, Ella, Raiden	
Lions	Royden, Fadi, Asher, Ali	
Monkeys	Nihal, Felix, Jessica, Claire	
Rosellas	Teo, Adrianna, Alex, Alison	
3/4C	Sari, Lionel, Steleos, Ameer, Elsa	
3/4P	Marvel, Mason, Sanyar	
3/4R	Jessica, Amal, Padre, Ali, Marbel	
5R	Matilda, Felicia, Layla, Nadeen, Krstian	
5/6D	Rita, Maryam, Georges, Charles, Yasmine	
5/6K	Lamar, Angelina, Noah, Anitta, Bonnie	
5/6N	Jobelle, Joanna, Valerie, Arika	

ASSEMBLY AWARD RECIPIENTS 4/06/2025

Magpies	Jackson, Alara, Alex	
Pelicans	Brianna, Luna, George	
Lions	Arianna, Jana, Layla, Andre	
Monkeys	Roseanne, Zion, Zayn, Noah	
Rosellas	Kiarash, Brendan	
3/4C	Leon, Elizabeth, Ethan, Alicia, Marisha	
3/4P	Ahmed, Sarah, Mikayla, Stavro, Long, Benjamin	
3/4R	Jacob, Noah, Jezebel, Yara, Zahra	
5R	Aliitasi, Marvin, Maria, Noorhan, Marseel	
5/6D	Merry, Dilara, Elissa, Aaron, Lara	
5/6K	Simon, Michelle, Laurice, Lawan, Linden	
5/6N	Natalie, Mohammed, Mary, Katya, Madison	

KINDERGARTEN 2026

It is that time of the year when parents/carers with a child turning 5 years of age by July 31, 2026, and who will be starting school next year, start thinking about Kindergarten, 2026. Enrolments can be completed online through the school's website. If you are not able to apply online, a paper application can be collected from the school office. An up-to-date immunisation certificate, birth certificate or passport and proof of address will be required to complete the enrolment.





GALA DAY

Friday 30 May results

Game 1			
Junior Netball	Lost 0-1 Fairfield West		
Senior Netball	Lost 6-9 Fairfield West		
Junior Boy's Football	Lost 1-2 Prairievale		
Senior Boy's Football	Lost 0-2 Prairevale		

Game 2	
Junior Netball	Won 7-1 William Stimson
Senior Netball	Lost 0-19 William Stimson
Junior Boy's Football	Lost 0-7 King Park
Senior Boy's Football	Lost 1-6 King Park

Game 3	
Junior Netball	Won 6-1 Canley Heights
Senior Netball	Won 5-2 Canley Heights
Junior Boy's Football	Draw 1-1 St Johns Park
Senior Boy's Football	Lost 0-3 St Johns Park

Friday 20 June

Netball	Endeavour Reserve
Boys Football	Prospect View Park

Parents and friends are most welcome to come along and support teams. PSSA sport commences at 10.00am and concludes at 2.00pm. Good luck to all teams. **M. Kirby**

Uniforms will be available for purchase on: Tuesday and Wednesdays 8.30am-9.30am and 2.30pm-3.00pm Please see staff in the Administration Office



SMITHFIELD WEST NEWSLETTER

ISSUE: MAY 2025

What We've Been Up To

This month was all about creating our own games and making our own rules! Working together as a team, the kids explored how to share ideas, take turns, and play fairly. It was amazing to see their creativity shine as they designed fun new activities and learned the value of teamwork and respect. This month has been full of imagination and plenty of playful moments to remember!



Important Dates & Information

Vacation care at King Park Public School



From the Educational Leader

Our team is doing a great job offering activities that support kids' growth in every way—creatively, physically, and socially. We'll keep improving our programs with fresh ideas to ensure every child has a fun, inclusive experience. Great work, team!

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SMITHFIELD WEST

Educator Spotlight

ASPIRE OSHC



Kids are always happy when Deema is around. She brings a good mix of fun and energy to our programs and knows how to keep them engaged. She's supportive and encouraging without and the kids respond well to that. They enjoy and love spending time with her.

Quality Area _ Review

Our program reflects a commitment to embedding Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander perspectives as part of our shared responsibility as educators and approved providers. We actively engage students by following their interests and incorporating their feedback into learning experiences, ensuring the program remains meaningful, stimulating, and developmentally appropriate.

Feedback & Community Involvement

At Aspire, we're always looking for ways to improve and provide the best possible experience for your children. We'd love to hear your thoughts on our programs, activities, and overall service. Your feedback helps us grow and ensures we're meeting the needs of our families. Whether it's a suggestion, a compliment, or an idea for something new, we'd love to hear from you!





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