DATES TO REMEMBER

19 November

20 November Monster Raffle

2 December

3 December Presentation

7-11 December Learn to Swim

**Excursion** 

**Night** 

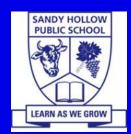
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# Newsletter



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# Remembrance Day

On Wednesday 11 November we commemorated Remembrance Day by holding a ceremony in the front of the school. Students paid respects by laying poppies as the names each of the local soldiers who lost their lives in the first world war were read out. They then laid a wreath near the flagpoles, and dedicated a minute of silence to the deceased. It was nice to see some community members join us for this important annual event.















Strength of the week:

Perseverance

Finishing what one starts; persevering in a course of action in spite of obstacles; taking pleasure in completing tasks.

This week's focus strength is 'Perseverance'.

This week and over the next week we will be focusing on this strength. Students will be encouraged to look for it happening at school and staff will be looking for this strength in the way the children interact with each other.

interact with each other. Our Character Strength Super Hero this week is Hayden.



Hayden was chosen for this award because he always tries hard to do his best, both in class and in the playground. Well done, Hayden!



## NAIDOC Week

Last week was NAIDOC week. SHPS students celebrated the week by participating in various activities both in class and out of class. Students enjoyed a bush tucker lunch of Kangaroo Spaghetti and Johnny Cakes (which they made themselves) on Friday. They learned lots about Aboriginal culture, and participated in various art activities during the week.













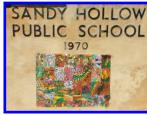
















The theme for this year's NAIDOC week was Always Was, Always Will Be. Always Was, Always Will Be recognises that Aboriginal people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years.

## **Presentation Night**

Fantastic news! Presentation Night can go ahead!!! This year our Presentation Night will be held in the COLA at school on **Thursday 3 December.** We are unable to hold the ceremony indoors, and it will more than likely be a bit warm outside, but this is the only way we can hold the event, comply with COVID-19 regulations and not have to limit the number of people allowed to attend. School will finish at lunch time (1.15pm) on the day and students will need to be collected at this time. They are to arrive back at school at 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start, dressed in full school uniform. They may come to school out of uniform in the morning, so that their

uniforms are clean and tidy for the evening. In previous years we have had a 'bring and share' supper after the awards ceremony, but we are unable to have buffet-style food service, so we will be organising a sausage sizzle for afterwards. It is exciting to be able to finally invite families to a school event, especially after such a crazy year. I look forward to seeing you all at

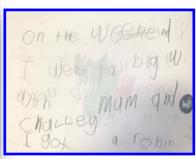
#### **Awards**

- Mya Great discussion and participation in Literacy lessons.
- Charlie YCDI confidence
   – for fantastic reading at Remembrance Day ceremony.
- Nate for fantastic playground behaviour.
- Eli YCDI Persistence persevering with tricky Maths work.

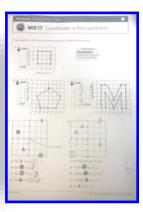
#### Workers of the Week

Harry









### Student of the Week



Riley

Taking on his role as buddy and helping younger students in the playground.

## Sportsperson of the Week



Za'Kiah

Demonstrating amazing soccer skills in class sport.

## Silver Award Recipient

Harry

## **Bronze Award Recipients**

- Tyson
- Riley

#### **Monster Raffle**

Our Monster Raffle will be drawn this week! All tickets (sold or unsold) need to be returned by Thursday 19 November as it will be drawn this Friday 20th November.

Good luck!!!!!





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## Captain's Elections

This Thursday our Year 5 students will present a speech to staff and students about why they think they will make a great school captain for 2021. From the election we will have two school captains and one sports captain. Voting will take place after the speeches, and the successful candidates will be announced on Presentation Night. All of our Year 5 students will make fantastic school leaders, so good luck to Riley, Tyson and Mya.

#### **End of Year Excursion**

Notes went home yesterday for our end of year excursion to One Mile Beach, at Anna Bay. We will be travelling by bus to take part in a surfing lesson with Port Stephens Surf School. After this, we will have a picnic lunch and finish the day with a visit to Port Stephens Koala Sanctuary. Our P&C have generously agreed to cover the cost of the surfing lessons, and the bus, lunch and Koala Sanctuary entry fees will be covered by the remaining funds from the Colour Explosion. The excursion is FREE and will take place on Wednesday 2 December. Permission notes need to be returned by Friday 27 November.

## Learn to Swim

Our annual swimming program will be held at Denman Pool during week 9 (7-11 December). We have been able to organise the use of the AGL Maquarie Sports and Social Club's community bus to transport students to the pool, and this means that the cost of the program will be free for the students. All students need to come to school in their swimmers, with a towel, hat and sunscreen. They also need to have a 'rashie' or t-shirt to wear in the pool. They must also bring to school their school uniform and dry underwear to change into when they return to school (changerooms are not being used at the pool). Permission notes will go home next week and need to be returned by Friday 4 December.

#### **End of Year Dates**

19 November	Captain's speeches and voting
20 November	Monster Raffle Drawn
2 December	Whole School Excursion to Anna Bay
3 December	Presentation Night
7-11 December	Learn to Swim
9 December	Year 6 Dinner (Gerard's Place, Denman)
16 December	Last Day for students
17&18 December	Staff Development Days
27&28 January 2021	Staff Development Days
Friday 29 January 2021	Students Return
Monday 1 February 2021	Kindergarten Students Start

## **Expression of Interest**

Expressions of interest are invited from suitable candidates interested in an opportunity to fill a part time (12 hours per week) School Learning Support
Officer (SLSO) role for Semester I 2021 (with the possibility of an extension to the end of the year). The position will be located at Sandy Hollow Public School.
SLSOs deliver high quality support to schools to enhance the capacity of school leaders and teachers to meet the learning needs of students.

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Applications close Friday 4 December 2020