

# Newsletter

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Our P & C Association meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm  
All parents and community members are welcome to attend  
Our School Council meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 6.00pm

### Skills for Life

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**Tuesday, 12 September 2017**

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Week 9.

### CONGRATULATIONS MARYLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL!

What a fabulous week we had! I'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge, thank and congratulate everyone who in any way contributed to the wonderful events of last week. With the 25<sup>th</sup> birthday aerial photo on Monday, the Art Show on Wednesday, the Performance Extravaganza on Thursday and the Celebration Assembly and Colour Run on Friday, we had a birthday week to certainly remember.

We definitely have a great mix of ingredients here at MPS and a recipe that continues to shine. To our students, staff and wider community I say well done and Happy Birthday!

This week our students in Year 3 and Year 5 are trialling the NAPLAN online assessments. So far, our technology has worked well and we anticipate that if this is rolled out next year, we will be ready!

### A reminder that next week we have the YSafe Online Safety Program for our parents, staff and students.

The world of social media & technology is fast becoming the centre of our children's universe. It can be a challenging task for parents to stay on top of the dangers of social media and technology, while monitoring their child's online behaviour and finding balance.

We are offering a workshop for parents to learn more about managing children's technology use, including an introduction into the most popular social media platforms and practical tips for keeping kids safe online. We will also cover information on setting boundaries around technology, online behaviour management, and tools for managing technology both in and outside of the home.

If you've ever struggled with getting your kids off their games and into bed, worried about knowing what your child is accessing online, or felt concerned that your child was spending too much time in the digital world, this workshop is for you!

Please register for this event by following the link provided. This is an important school event for all parents to attend.

<http://bit.do/marylandps>

This workshop is being held in our school hall on Wednesday 20 September, 2017 from 8.50am – 9.50am. Our Stage 2 and 3 classes and staff will also be participating in workshops on this date as well.

A reminder to please check our calendar for upcoming events such as; sport and group photos (Friday 15/9), Kinder Orientation (Tuesday 19/9), YSafe Online Safety (Wednesday 20/9), Stage 2 Sportslink (Thursday 21/9) and our Whole School Recognition Assembly next Friday 22/9.

Enjoy this week everyone,

Mrs Van Egmond ☺

### OFFICE NEWS

#### Conjunctivitis

We have had several cases of conjunctivitis confirmed in the school. Please see attached fact sheet for information.

#### Schoolbag App

The School App for iPhones, smart phones and iPads is available free from the iTunes store or Google Play Store. Just search for Maryland Skoolbag App in either iTunes or Google Play Store and download to your phone or tablet. All parents and family members are encouraged to download and access the app.

The calendar will be regularly up-dated and alerts will be provided reminding parents of events and activities.

**Just a reminder for parents who already use the school app, you need to go to the "set up" section in the app and change the year your child / children are in.**



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

### 2018 Kindergarten Orientation Program

Planning is underway for the 2018 Kindergarten Orientation Program. If you have a child or know of any families who have a child turning 5 on or before 31 July 2018 please contact the school office.



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**PARTNERS IN LEARNING SURVEY - NOW OPEN!**

We invite all parents and carers to participate in the *Partners in Learning* survey. This survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carers' views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements. The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, ipads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between Tuesday, 29 August and Wednesday, 13 October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated. To access the survey for our school go to: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/maryland2017>

**Maryland Partners in Learning**

Are you keen to hear about where we are now and where we are headed?

Come along for some round table discussions about how our students are learning and performing at MPS.

Topics covered: NAPLAN, Numeracy, Reading, Writing and our Bump It Up initiative.

- Who: Interested parents and friends
- When: Thursday, 21 September – Session 1 at 2.30pm, Session 2 at 5.30pm
- Where: Our Library

Come and join us for some light refreshments at either of the above times.

We look forward to your questions, input and company!

**Calendar****Term 3 – Week 9**

Thursday, 14 September 2017	<b>Permission note and payment due for Stage 2 Sportslink</b>
Friday, 15 September 2017	Sport & Group Photos Stage 1 Swimming Program Finishes 2.00pm Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly

**Term 3 - Week 10**

Tuesday, 19 September 2017	9.30am – 10.30am Kinder 2018 Orientation Session CCWC Rugby League 7's Competition
Wednesday, 20 September 2017	YSafe Online Safety Meeting 8.50am School Hall
Thursday, 21 September 2017	Stage 2 Sportslink Maryland Partners in Learning Discussion Sessions 2.30pm Session 1 5.30pm Session 2
Friday, 22 September 2017	2.00pm Whole School Assembly Last day of Term 3

**Important Dates for Your Diary****Term 4**

Monday, 9 October 2017	Staff & Students resume for Term 4
Wednesday, 11 October 2017	S3 Canberra Excursion
Thursday, 12 October 2017	S3 Canberra Excursion <b>S2 &amp; S3 Swimming Program Money Due</b>
Friday, 13 October 2017	S3 Canberra Excursion
Tuesday, 17 October 2017	9.30am – 10.15am Kinder 2018 Orientation Session
Wednesday, 15 November 2017	9.30am – 10.15am Kinder 2018 Orientation Session
Wednesday, 29 November 2017	9.30am – 10.15am Kinder 2018 Orientation Session
Monday, 11 December 2017	Presentation Day
Tuesday, 12 December 2017	Year 6 Farewell
Friday, 15 December 2017	Last day of Term 4

**EARLY STAGE 1 NEWS**

What a wonderful '25th Birthday Celebration' week we have just had!

The art show displayed our students budding artistic talents and those clay insect sculptures will be making their way home very soon along with parts of the 'Beebot City'.

Such enthusiasm was shown by our Junior dancers on performance day, and it was wonderful to see them participate with such joy.

We had visits to the Life Education centre at Edgeworth. Our students displayed excellent behaviour and participated in a variety of interactive activities to support learning on safe and healthy living.

To top off the week we had the much anticipated 'Colour Run'. The more colour students collected on their clothes the more they loved it! Thank you for your continued support of our students and school, it is very much appreciated.

Lorraine Williams (ES1 Leader)

**STAGE 1 NEWS**

SIT and SIS Life Education Excursion



## PEER SUPPORT NEWS

This week in Peer Support the children will discuss the importance of showing gratitude to others. Children are encouraged to reflect on the positive aspects of their lives, including people. The activities will give the children an opportunity to thank someone who has helped them. During the week encourage your child to appreciate and thank people in their lives.



Zayed and Yarah leading a Peer Support session.



Josh leading a Peer Support group.

## SPORT NEWS

PSSA Cricket - Good luck to Zayed A who has qualified for the possibles and probables for the final Hunter selection this week.

Stage 2 Sportslink - The Stage 2 Sportslink note is to be placed at the front office. **The Sportslink canteen order form is to go to the canteen.** The gala day will be held on Thursday, 21 September.

Stage 2 and 3 Swimming Program - The swimming program for Stage 2 and Stage 3 will begin Term 4 Week 2. Stage 2 will swim on a Thursday and Stage 3 on a Friday. All students are expected to attend as this is the sporting program for Term 4.

Debbie Wingrove (Sports Coordinator)

## CHOIR NEWS

The choir had a busy week with performances at the Performance Extravaganza matinee and evening sessions, the whole school rehearsal prior to the event, and at our 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday Assembly. The choir performed beautifully at all times and many comments were made by staff and visitors at how great they sounded. Well done choir members.

On Friday, photographers will be at the school to photograph sporting groups and the choir. Students will be photographed in their choir uniforms (choir shirt, black pants and shoes). Students can come to school dressed in their choir uniforms and get changed into their school uniforms after the photograph is taken. Students can keep their choir shirts until after the photograph is taken on Friday. Please ensure that the shirts are returned to Mrs King or Mrs Brooks (washed and placed in a plastic bag, labelled with the student's name and class) before the end of the term. Any students who don't have a shirt can collect one from Mrs King at this Thursday morning's rehearsal.

Mrs King and Mrs Brooks (Choir Coordinators)

## NEWS FROM THE P&C

### COLOUR RUN

WHAT A DAY!!!! We think it's safe to say the inaugural Maryland Public School Colour Run was a great success. We've received lots of positive feedback from both students and parents. Thank you for the feedback and for supporting this great event. Our Volunteer Helpers, as always, make these events possible, so we extend our thanks to those who were able to help on the day.



A reminder that all fundraising monies are **DUE BY THIS WEDNESDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER**. PLEASE RETURN cash sponsorship monies to the office in an envelope with your child's name and class written on it. Please also remember to return your SPONSORSHIP BROCHURE with your prize preference circled. This also needs to be returned to the office by Wednesday, 13 September. Stay tuned for the final fundraising amount!



### COMMEMORATING 25 YEARS

The P&C Committee worked with the teachers to ensure this special occasion was a memorable one for everyone involved. We are proud to say that the P&C Committee contributed to

this event by supplying the Celebration Cake and 480 cupcakes, (one for each student), the balloon bouquets to dress the stage for the special assembly, and worked

with Bunnings Wallsend to have 25 Native Plants presented to the school.

### ELECTION DAY BBQ & CAKE STALL

Thank you to the Volunteers who helped out on the Election Day BBQ and for the donations of Cakes and Slices (special mention and thanks to Mrs Birlson for her contribution of 50 cupcakes). We had a lot of fun; a particular highlight was Cindy – our School Office Manager. Cindy and her husband John volunteered a few hours of their time. John was a wiz on the BBQ and Cindy showed us that not only can she keep our school running like clockwork, she is quite the spruiker. She worked very hard drumming up loads of business and entertaining us all with her witty one-liners.



We would like to extend our sincere thanks to PEAL PRODUCE and BUNNINGS WALLSEND for their generous donations and support of our Colour Run and 25 year Celebrations. PEAL PRODUCE supplied ALL of the delicious FRUIT for the students to enjoy during the Colour Run. BUNNINGS WALLSEND supplied and delivered 25 NATIVE PLANTS, one plant for each year our school has been in the local community. THANK YOU for your support.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook to stay up to date with what's happening. Search 'maryland public school p&c association'.

Alissa Jamieson (MPS P&C President)



### NEW UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Country Feeling Uniforms has just gone live with an Ecommerce website. Families can now order all their uniforms online and pick up from the Uniform Shop at school.

The Uniform Shop hours will NOT change – this is an added resource especially for busy families.

Visit the website by clicking on the link below.

<http://www.countryfeelinguniforms.com.au/>

#### Opening Hours

- Tuesday 8.30am - 9.30am
- Thursday 2.30pm - 3.30pm

### PRELOVED UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

#### Opening Hours

- Tuesday Mornings 8.30am until 9.00am
- Thursday Afternoons 2.45pm until 3.15pm

Cyndi and Carmen ☺☺

### CANTEEN NEWS

#### Canteen Roster Term 3

Day	Date	Name
<b>Week 9</b>		
Wednesday	13 September	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	14 September	Susan B, Helen, Jessica
Friday	15 September	Jamie, Bec S, Amanda S, Sharna
<b>Week 10</b>		
Monday	18 September	Carmen, Cath
Tuesday	19 September	Carmen, Sheree
Wednesday	20 September	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	21 September	Jessica F, Lesley, Helen
Friday	22 September	Jamie, Deanna, Alicia G, Kassandra
<b>T4 Week 1</b>		
Monday	9 October	Carmen, Vicki Q
Tuesday	10 October	Carmen, Sarah J
Wednesday	11 October	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	12 October	Susan B, Helen
Friday	13 October	Jamie, Bec S, Amanda S, Sheree

Full Term 4 Roster on Web Page

### 25<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS















## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY **NETBALL** DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

~ Registrations **NOW OPEN** ~

*Are you a passionate Junior netballer who would like to build confidence, develop teamwork and further enhance your skills?*

*Pivot Netball Academy can assist you.*

**OUR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:**

**2 DAY SKILL CLINICS  
FOR 7-12 YEAR OLDS**

**SPECIALIST CLINICS  
FOR 11-15 YEAR OLDS**

**AFTER SCHOOL  
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

~ **REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN** ~

*For children turning the ages above this year*

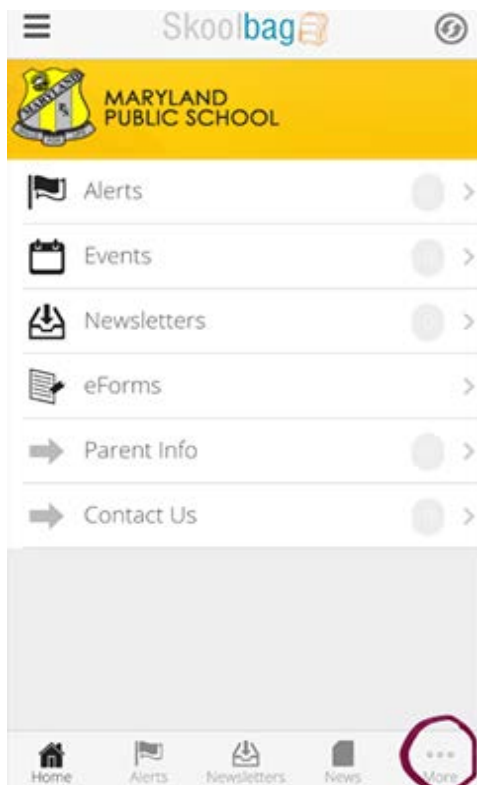


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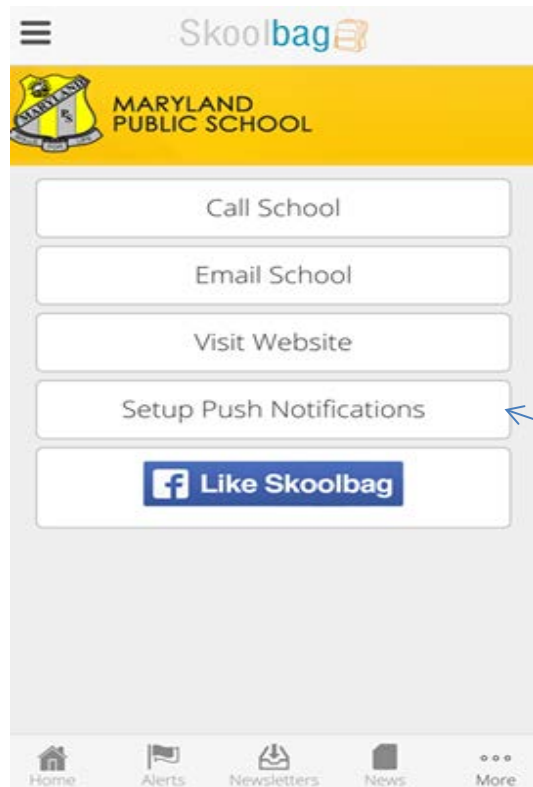
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## ARE YOU GETTING THE MOST OUT OF THE SKOOLBAG APP?

Check these images and descriptions to ensure your push notifications are set correctly. We hope this helps you to stay updated!



1: Click on **MORE**



2: Click on **Setup Push Notifications**

or

**My Subscription Groups**



3: Turn to **ON** position your child/rens **Year** and/or **Extra Curriculum** activities.

This needs to be done annually



## Wallsend Warriors Swimming Club Season 2017/18 Registration Days

Wallsend Warriors Swimming Club is holding their registration days for the 2017/18 season on:

Date: <b>30 September 2017</b>	Date: <b>7 October 2017</b>
Time: <b>9.30 am to 12 noon</b>	Time: <b>9.30 am to 12 noon</b>
Location: <b>Stockland Wallsend Plaza</b>	Location: <b>Wallsend Swimming Pool</b>

All members are encouraged to register for the upcoming season on either Saturday.

Our club is family oriented with competitions catering to various ages.

All new members are welcome.

Our first competition night will be held on **Friday 13 October 2017 at 6pm.**

For further information and contact details check our website:

<http://members.optusnet.com.au/~warriorssc/>



## The simplest way

...to stay shaded.

### Did you know?

Almost all skin cancers are caused by over exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun. To protect your skin, seek shade when UV levels are 3 or above. Good quality shade can reduce UV exposure by up to 75%.



### Seeking shade

Shade is one of the best and easiest ways to protect against UV radiation. In many situations, combining built (pergolas, sails and awnings) and natural (dense trees and shrubs) shade is the best option. You can always set up portable shade if it is not available.

### Promote the use of shade

Plan your outdoor activities in shaded areas and follow the shade as it moves throughout the day.

### For total UV Protection:

- Slip on clothing which covers as much skin as possible.
- Slop on 30+ broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen.
- Slap on a broad brimmed, legionnaires or bucket hat.
- Slide on some wrap-around sunglasses.
- Seek shade when outdoors.

For more information on shade visit: <https://www.cancercouncil.com.au/cancer-prevention/sun-protection/>

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to [www.sunsmartnsw.com.au](http://www.sunsmartnsw.com.au)



# BIODIVERSITY DAY AT BLUE GUM HILLS REGIONAL PARK

## Free fun for families

Thursday 28 September, 10am-3pm, Blue Gum Hills Regional Park, Minmi Road, Minmi (back-up day in case of cancellation Thursday 5 October)

- Free BBQ lunch
- Win great prizes
- Interact with live native animals
- Learn about bats, bees and birds
- Free native plants
- Crazy animal photo booth
- Free activities and craft
- Learn about biodiversity
- Nature walks
- Meet other nature lovers
- Freebies
- Learn about volunteering in nature
- Discover nature near you

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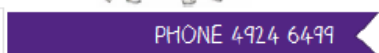
### FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENT SKILLS

Fundamental movement skills (FMS) are the building blocks for more complex and specialised skills required in sports and leisure activities.

FMS include activities such as running, jumping, throwing, catching and kicking. FMS allow children to:

- Maintain a healthy weight
- Improve posture
- Develop parts of the brain
- Develop problem solving skills
- Socialise and interact with their environment.

Teachers at your school are helping to teach FMS to your children. Why not ask them about the skills they are learning to help them practice at home?



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## Conjunctivitis

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### Summary

- Conjunctivitis is an infectious eye condition
  - Symptoms last from two days to three weeks
  - Children with conjunctivitis should be kept home from school
  - You will remain infectious as long as you have an eye discharge.
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Conjunctivitis is a common infection especially among children under five.

Children with conjunctivitis must be kept home from school or day care until the discharge from their eyes has stopped. This will prevent the spread of infection to other children. The incidence of conjunctivitis decreases with age.

### Conjunctivitis symptoms

Conjunctivitis leads to:

- Eye irritation and redness
- Excessive tears in the eyes
- A discharge with pus
- Swelling of the eyelids
- Photophobia (you can't tolerate looking into sunlight).

The symptoms usually develop within 24 to 72 hours of becoming infected and last from two days to three weeks.

### How you develop conjunctivitis

You could develop conjunctivitis if you come into contact with:

- Discharge from the eyes, nose or throat of an infected person
- Contaminated fingers or objects.

Conjunctivitis can be transmitted from an infected mother to her baby during vaginal delivery.

### Confirming that you have conjunctivitis

Your doctor will take a sample of the discharge from your eye. This will be examined under a microscope or grown in a culture to determine if it is conjunctivitis.

### Antibiotic eye drops are necessary

If you develop conjunctivitis you will need antibiotic eye drops or ointment to:

- Treat the infection
- Help prevent the spread of conjunctivitis.

You will remain infectious as long as there is a discharge from your eye.

### Where to get help

- Your doctor
- Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Unit, Department of Health Victoria Tel. 1300 651 160.
- Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital.

### Things to remember

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You will remain infectious as long as you have an eye discharge.



Monday 25/9	Tuesday 26/9	Wednesday 27/9	Thursday 28/9	Friday 29/9
<p><b>Pizza Day</b></p>  <p>Enjoy a yummy slice of pizza or two for lunch.</p> <p><b>Cost:</b> \$5.00</p> <p>Make a ROY POLY Habitat</p> <p>Rock Painting (Parent Suggestion)</p> <p>Dream Time Stories in the Aboriginal Garden</p>	<p><b>Let's Have Our Very Own 'yaD sdrawkcaB (Backwards Day)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wear Your Clothes Back to Front</li> <li>- Eat Lunch for Morning Tea and Morning Tea for Lunch</li> <li>- Learn to speak Pig Latin</li> <li>- Recite the Alphabet Backwards</li> </ul> <p><b>Game:</b> Backward Relays</p> <p>Making Smoothies</p> 	<p><b>DISCO</b></p>  <p><b>Time:</b> 12.30pm – 2.00pm</p> <p><b>DJY Musical Instruments</b></p>  <p><b>Enjoy a healthy afternoon tea – Fruit Salad</b></p>	<p><b>It's a Celebration of Friendship</b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Make Friendship Bracelets</li> <li>- Build Friendship Towers</li> <li>- Weave a Spider Web of Friendship</li> <li>- "Thanks for the Compliment"</li> </ul> <p><b>Making Sherbet</b></p>	<p><b>Do You Have A Favourite Toy?</b></p> <p>Why not bring it in. Let's use the OOSH iPads to advertise them!</p>  <p>Game: Parachute Games</p> <p>Cooking Lemonade Scones</p>
Monday 2/10	Tuesday 3/10	Wednesday 4/10	Thursday 5/10	Friday 6/10
<p><b>Public Holiday</b></p> <p><b>Service Closed</b></p>	<p><b>It's a RAINBOW Kind of Day</b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rainbow Ramp Painting</li> <li>• Rainbow Baking Soda and Vinegar Experiment</li> <li>• Rainbow Milk Experiment</li> </ul> <p><b>Game:</b> Hula Hoop Relay</p> <p>Make Your Own Cake in a Cone with Colourful Sprinkles</p>	<p><b>ARE YOU OOSH'S FIRST NINJA WARRIOR???</b></p>  <p>Help develop, set up and attempt our very own Ninja Course!</p> <p><b>Scratch and Sniff Scented Art</b></p> <p>Cooking Honey Bread</p>	<p><b>Jumping Castle</b></p>  <p><b>Cost:</b> \$10.00 <b>Time:</b> 9am – 4pm</p>  <p><b>Making Ham and Cheese Scrolls</b></p>	<p><b>Disney Day</b></p>  <p><i>Come Dressed as Your Favourite Disney Character. Why not bring along the Disney Movie too!</i></p> <p>Games: Ring Toss 10 Pin Bowling</p> <p><b>HOT DOG FRIDAY</b></p>  <p>Enjoy a delicious hot dog for lunch!</p>

Excursions involving private bus hire will not run if we do not get 25 bookings or more. If they are cancelled alternate programs will run and special activities arranged according to the interests of the children on the day.

Each day the children will also be involved in many activities such as craft, games, construction, home corner and more. Each day will include ideas given by the children and lots of spontaneous activities. At the end of each day reflections are written for you to be able to see what we have been doing.



# SEPT./OCT. SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT THE HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

## Kids Art Days

- **Monday 25th Sept.** for 5 to 12 years 9.30am - 12.30pm  
**Animals and Habitats** - explore the wetlands to see birds & reptiles and build some large bird nests on site.
  - **Tuesday 26th Sept.** for 5 to 12 years 9.30am - 12.30pm  
**Draw it - Paint it.** - Find the best places to see wildlife. Draw wetland birds & animals to create a wetlands mural.
  - **Tuesday 3rd Oct.** for 7 to 12 years 9.30am - 12.30pm  
**Sensory Walk & Journey Sticks** - Go on a Sensory Garden walk, create a scented candle, and a Journey Stick that tells a story.
- Cost \$ 25 per session per child or \$20 per session if the same child is booked into more than one session.  
Bookings are essential as places are limited. Phone: 49516466



## Bush Skills

For 8 to 12 years 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 27th Sept. and Friday 6th Oct.

Cost: \$20 per child - Bookings Essential Phone: 4951 6466

Make (and eat) a damper, build a bush shelter. Take a guided walk and learn basic survival skills. Meet some of our resident reptiles.

## Wetlands Explorer Club

For 5 to 8 years 10.00am to 12.30pm

Wednesday 27th Sept. and Friday 6th Oct.

Cost: \$20 per child - Bookings Essential Phone 49516466

Let's play the Magpie Geese Game, help feed the Magpie Geese & learn about their life so you can make & play the Magpie Geese Game.



## Sand Art Fun

(For 3 years +) Drop in between 10.00am - 12 noon

Friday 29th Sept. Cost: \$5 per child (plus \$2 entry)

Drop in and use coloured sand to create an amazing picture to take home.

## Plaster Fun

(For 3 years +) Drop in between 10.00am - 12 noon

Monday 25th Sept. Cost: \$5 per child (plus \$2 entry)

Drop in and paint a plaster model.



## Wetlands Passport & Wetlands Explorer

Available any time during the school holidays. Cost: Free

Follow clues to explore the wetlands. Go in the draw for a weekly prize.

**Biodiversity Day - Thursday 28th Sept. at Blue Gum Hills Regional Park**  
Come and say hello to us at this free family fun day.



## Bring the family to the Hunter Wetlands Centre

A fun, environmentally friendly learning experience!

Open 9am to 4pm

**Entry** \$2 per primary-school age child (special school holiday rate). Under 3 free. \$5 general entry

### Activities

- Watch the Magpie Geese Feeding at 10.30 am.
- Try Dipnetting from the jetty.
- Playtime at Discovery Playground.
- Check out the creatures in the tanks in the Visitor Centre.
- Reptile Encounter - Children can learn about reptile behaviour and care. They can handle some of the reptiles from the tanks in the Visitor Centre. Check at front desk for times.
- Shop - snacks, ice-creams, drinks and affordable gifts for children & adults.

