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4 March 2020

## Principal's Message

### School Attendance

The term is speeding by and I am pleased to report that it has been a busy and positive start to the year. Regular school attendance for our students is important for continued learning and building positive relationships. Even relatively few absences on a regular basis add up over time. A student who is absent from school one day a fortnight - or four weeks per year - misses out on more than one year of education over the course of their schooling.

Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. In line with the Department of Education's School Attendance Policy, we will be making some changes to the way we process students who arrive late to school.

We currently require parents to be present at the school office to sign students out of school as an 'early leaver'. We will be extending this requirement to all students arriving late to school.

Our goal is to ensure the safety of all students. As a school, we have duty of care for students as they arrive at school from 8.30am on school days. All students are expected to be in class and learning from 9.00am onwards. While unexpected events can result in occasional lateness, we need to ensure that parents have full knowledge of this partial absence.

I ask that you partner with us in keeping your children safe. As of this week a parent or guardian will need to accompany students who are late for school. If circumstances prevent this, each student who is late must have a note written and signed by a parent or guardian.

If you would like to discuss this matter, please contact the school office on 9622 2136.

A note to all parents has been recently sent to all parents regarding our revised late arrivals procedures.

## Ms Becker's Farewell Assembly

Ms Becker will return to Seven Hills West for a special farewell assembly to enable the students, staff and parents to celebrate her time as Principal.

You are invited!!

**When:** Wednesday 2.00pm 11th March, 2020

**Where:** SHW school hall

We look forward to seeing you there.

**Mrs A Dziubinski**  
 Relieving Principal

## Super Kids Breakfast Club



**Seven Hills West Public School**  
 Respectful, Safe, Responsible Learners

**Super Kids Breakfast Club**  
 Mondays AND Fridays

We are pleased to confirm that the Super Kids Breakfast Club will operate two mornings a week in 2020. The aim of the club is to ensure that our students are afforded an opportunity to consume a healthy breakfast to enable a positive start to their school day.

- The Super Kids Breakfast Club will begin on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.
- Breakfast will be available every Monday AND Friday from 8:15 - 8:45am.
- Breakfast will be served outside the School Canteen.



Previously we have provided breakfast to around 50 students per session. This would not have been possible without the generous donations provided to the program from our parents and community. If you would like to contribute to the Super Kids Breakfast Club, there will be a donations box in the school office.

- Acceptable donations could include:
- ☉ Fruit – Apples, Oranges, Bananas and Pears
  - ☉ Bread – White or Brown Bread
  - ☉ Utensils – Disposable Plastic Spoons and Knives, plates and bowls
  - ☉ Equipment – Napkins and Plastic Gloves
  - ☉ Long Life Milk
  - ☉ Cereal
  - ☉ Spreads – vegemite, honey, jam



Parents and Volunteers are more than welcome to help serve students at SHWPS breakfast. To apply for a free Working with Children's Check please register using the link below.  
<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check>

If you have any questions about the program, please see Mrs Moon, Mrs Spiteri and Mrs Ramos.

*Mrs Dziubinski*  
 Mrs Dziubinski  
 Relieving Principal  
 21.02.20

Mrs Moon, Mrs Spiteri and Mrs Ramos  
 Super Kids Breakfast Club Coordinators

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## Premiers Reading Challenge

Premiers Reading Challenge starts Monday the 2nd March!

Let's get those reading brains warmed up and ready to go.



Please remember you already have a kick start, as anything you had read from July until now, if it is included in the PRC list for 2020, will also be included.

A box will also be setup in the library for you to borrow from, during your class library time. If you have any questions please ask Mr Nunan, Mrs James or Mrs Radhakrishnan.

## Important Reminders

### ALLERGY ALERT

In the interests of the health and safety of all our students please ensure that your child does not bring anything to school for recess or lunch which contains nut and/or egg products. This will include peanut butter or Nutella spread on sandwiches, peanut butter dippers, snack packs with nuts and nut muesli bars.

Your understanding and support in this very important health issue are greatly appreciated.

### SCHOOL HOURS

Children **ARE NOT** to be at school BEFORE 8.30am each morning and **must be collected at 3.00pm** each afternoon. Should your child need to be at school EARLIER than 8.30am or need to be collected LATER than 3.00pm, it is necessary for you to arrange for your child to be taken to **Out of Hours School Care** that is located on our premises. This is run by Wesley Out of School Hours Care and their contact number is 9626 1260.

## Preschool T-shirt

### PRESCHOOL T-SHIRTS

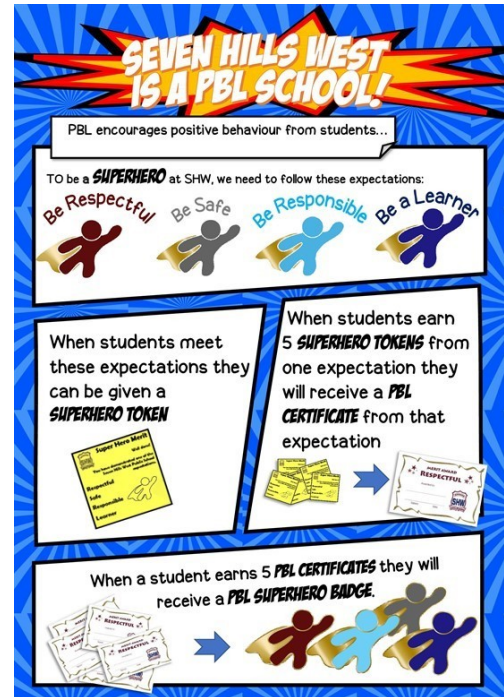
Students commencing at Seven Hills West Preschool receive a complimentary T-shirt and hat.



Additionally t-shirts are available for a small cost of \$15.00 per shirt.

Should you wish to make an additional purchase, please place your order at the Admin Office.

## Positive Behaviour for Learning



## Health and Safety Matters

As well as keeping our staff and students safe on school grounds we aim to maintain a safe environment for parents. If you have a slip, trip or fall or any other issue related to parent safety in the school grounds please notify the office as soon as possible so we can endeavour to identify and resolve any hazards.

It is also a request that dogs not be brought onto the school site without prior permission. Companion dogs are always welcome as required, however pets in the school can cause stress to students and animals.

### Staff Car Park

A reminder to parents/caregivers. **The Staff car park IS NOT a 'walk through' area** or parking for area for parents.

Safety is of the utmost importance to our students and it would be appreciated if you would cooperate in regard to safety in our car park.

### Student Toilets

Just a friendly reminder that student toilets are **not to be used** by parents. If parents have a younger child that requires toileting assistance, please see the office staff to access the toilets located beside the new school hall.

Student toilets are to be used by **students** of Seven Hills West PS.

## Changes of Clothes

Children in Kindergarten to Year 2, can, on occasion, have an 'accident' by forgetting to go to the toilet at break time, or not advising the teacher that they need to go to the toilet.

This then results in children 'wetting' themselves and coming to the office for a spare change of clothes.

Our supplies are now depleted – so we ask that each parent with children in Kindergarten to Year 2 supply a change of clothing in their child's bag in case of emergencies.

We thank you for your support in this matter.

**SHWPS Administration Office**

## Birthday Cakes

We welcome small individual cakes or the like if your child wishes to share his/her birthday with the class.

Candles **ARE NOT** permitted and teachers are **UNABLE** to cut cakes.

## Calendar

**TERM 1 – 2020**

Planning Sheet for Term 1 – 2020					
	MARCH	Tuesday 3	Wednesday 4	Thursday 5	Friday 6
6	Monday 2		Superhero Assembly 2.00pm		
7	Monday 9	Tuesday 10	Wednesday 11 Smooth Walking – Year 4 Special Assembly P-4 2pm	Thursday 12 Northcott Primary Interschool Swimming Carnival	Friday 13
8	Monday 14	Tuesday 17 P&C AGM 9.15am	Wednesday 18 P-4 Assembly 2.00pm	Thursday 19	Friday 20 Harmony Day
9	Monday 23 School Leaders to Longneck Lagoon	Tuesday 24	Wednesday 25	Thursday 26	Friday 27
10	Monday 30	Tuesday 31	APRIL Wednesday 1 Superhero Assembly 2.00pm	Thursday 2	Friday 3
11	Monday 6	Tuesday 7	Wednesday 8 Easter Hat Parade	Thursday 9 SRC Crazy Hair Day LAST DAY TERM 1	Friday 10 GOOD FRIDAY
	Monday 13 EASTER MONDAY	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17
	Monday 20	Tuesday 21	Wednesday 22	Thursday 23	Friday 24

Dates and activities are subject to change. Please review newsletter, our Facebook page and/or our school website, for any changes.

## Notes and Payments

Please be advised that all school notes and written communication are now placed on our website for your easy access. Families that have requested multiple copies will now need to access the website. We are encouraging the use of technology @ SHWPS!

### Important

It would be appreciated, if when completing permission notes, you could include **the child's FULL NAME (Given Name and**

**Surname) AND CLASS**, in order for the office to correctly identify the student who is participating in the special activity.

## Sending money to school

If paying by cash or cheque, payment envelopes are available to allow office staff to quickly record details for our students.

**A reminder: A permission note must be completed for every student in the family for all activities. Please note the office does not carry change. Please provide the correct money with your payments. We encourage families to pay using our POP – Payment online system via our school website.**

## Collection of Money and Permission Notes

To ensure that students' needs are met on excursions, extra curricula activities and for visiting performances, it is necessary to have procedures in place regarding payments and permission notes. These procedures allow teachers to:

- Ensure that the correct number of teachers are allocated to an activity or excursion
- Buses are ordered for the right number of students
- Book correct numbers for all activities on excursions
- Organise supervision for students not involved in these activities
- Cancel activities if numbers are too low, within a reasonable timeframe.

It will also allow the office staff to have correct numbers, permission notes and money organised before the day of the activity or excursion.

These procedures include any area where money is paid to the school e.g. Excursions, visiting performances, sporting events, book club etc.

**For this to be implemented correctly all money must be paid to front office by the DUE DATE, there will be no exceptions.**

**Permission notes, fully completed with child's name and class, must be given to the front office once you have made your payment online, or at the same time as money is presented.**

In cases of financial hardship, the school **may** be able to assist by contributing a part payment.

Please contact the office for more information.

## Attendance

Student attendance records will be closely monitored. If your child is absent, it is important that a note/certificate explaining their absence is given to the classroom teacher when your child returns to school. Parents/Carers will be given a letter if an explanation is not provided for the student's absence and this must be completed and returned to the classroom teacher so that the student's attendance records will be updated accordingly.

## Student Absences

The Department of Education deems that all students must attend school every day. Families are also advised that holidays should be taken during school holiday periods.

If your child is absent from school please notify the school in writing by either sending an email to the school email or sending a note to the class teacher explaining the absence.

If your child is sick for one day, you DO NOT need to ring the school but can send a note to school with your child on the following day.

Absences are recorded in the class roll and this roll is admissible as evidence in a court of law.

- Partial absences are also recorded in the roll, where a child arrives late to school or leaves school early.
- If a student is late to school, a parent should escort them to the office so they can give the reason for the late arrival.
- Students, who are constantly late to school, miss the morning lesson introduction and this can lead to gaps in learning.

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

*Give your child every chance to succeed...* **Every day counts!**

Please endeavour to maximize your child's attendance at school to ensure that they have the best start possible, every day!

If you are intending to take leave for more than three days, and you know in advance, it is important that this be discussed with the school as an application for leave may be required. If your child is absent for longer than three days it is important that you contact the school to let them know the reason for the absence.

## Working with Children Check

We have received clarification from the department of education in regards to the requirements for parents and carers doing voluntary work with students in any NSW school.

We have been advised that a WWCC certificate is not required.

Any parent or carer doing voluntary work with students at Seven Hills West P.S will need to

- Complete Appendix 5 form (obtain from front office)
- 100 points of ID

Please ensure you visit the School office complete the above requirements prior to commencing volunteering duties.

Thank you for following this process to keep all of our children safe.

## P & C News

Great to see our Loose Change drive going along so well – thankyou to all students and parents for your donations. Any small change donation is appreciated.



1H is leading in the K-2 classes and 5/6H is leading in the 3-6 classes.

At our first meeting of the year, we discussed fund raisers coming up and thankyou to all whom attended.



### Loose Change Drive

The P&C is planning to run a loose change drive to raise funds for the school during Term 1 until the middle of Term 2.

Jars will be placed in each classroom for the collection of change.

The class that raises the highest amount per child will be awarded prizes at the end. A graph of the progress will be shown in the school newsletters.

Keep an eye on your classes tally. Lets see what we can raise.

## REMINDER

On Tuesday 17th March 2020, our P&C Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at 9.15am.

A new Committee will be elected – consisting of:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Fundraiser Supervisor

If you would like to nominate for any of these roles, and can't make the meeting, please 'put your hand up' and advise, in writing, to the canteen prior to the meeting – we can nominate on your behalf.

## Uniform Shop & Canteen

These facilities provide an essential service to the school. They are run by the P&C and require volunteers. If you have some

spare time and would like to be involved with our uniform shop or canteen, please come and see us at the canteen.

## Canteen

Parents, please note that the canteen only holds a SMALL amount of change. Kindly, **DO NOT bring \$50 and \$100** when ordering, as we only hold a coin float and cannot accommodate you with change.



SEVEN HILLS WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL - CANTEN PRICE LIST 2020  
LUNCH ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BEFORE 9AM  
RECESS CANNOT BE ORDERED

<b>SANDWICHES - all year</b>	<b>HOT FOOD ALL YEAR</b>	
Multigrain 70c extra per sandwich	Hot Dogs	3.00
Vegemite/Jam/Honey	Pie - with or without sauce	3.80
Tomato	Cheese Toastie	2.70
Cheese	Mac Cheese	3.80
<b>Salad Sandwich</b>	Lasagne- Beef/ Chicken	3.80
Cheese, Tomato, Beetroot, Lettuce,	Fried Rice	3.80
Cucumber and Carrot	Chicken Burger	3.80
Tuna	(chicken patty, lettuce, mayo on bun)	
Ham	Cheese Burger	3.80
Chicken (roasted)	(beef patty, cheese, sauce on bun)	
Chicken & Salad	Nuggets	3.80
Ham & salad	(6 nuggets & sauce-extra nuggets .70c ea)	
<b>Wraps - all year</b>	Pizza-	3.80
Salad	BBQ Chicken / Cheese	
Chicken	Corn on the Cob	.80
Chicken & Salad	Garlic Bread	.80
Ham & salad	Mini Sausage Rolls	.80
<b>Extras</b>		
Sauce sachets		
Spoon / fork		
Tomato		
Cheese		
<b>SALAD BOWLS ALL YEAR</b>	<b>WINTER MENU STARTS TERM 2 &amp; 3</b>	
Salad	Spaghetti Bolognese	3.80
Chicken & Salad	Vegetarian Lasagne	3.80
Ham & Salad		
Tuna & Salad	<b>DRINKS</b>	
	Flavoured Milk	1.80
<b>RECESS</b>	Water	1.10
Fruit (Apples/Oranges)	Up & Go	1.80
Cheese & Crackers	Plain Milk	1.50
Cookies / Pilelets	Poppers	1.60
Red Rock-Sea Salt	Bombs	2.00
Gran Waves		
Popcorn		
Frozen Pineapple		
Frozen Orange		
Frozen Fruit Bites		



## Uniform Shop

Opening Hours

Every Tuesday during school term 8.30am – 9.30am

## P & C Committee

## Community News



**BLACKTOWN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL**  
*A Partially Selective Girls High School*

Year 6 into Year 7 2021  
Information Evening

**Where:** Blacktown Girls High School – in the library.  
**When:** Monday 9 March 2020 at 7.00pm.

The staff and students of Blacktown Girls High School are pleased to invite all interested parents and their daughters to a Year 7 Information Evening. This event will be held on Monday 9 March 2020 commencing at 7.00pm. This evening provides a great opportunity to learn more about the wonderful opportunities that will be available to your daughters as they enter High School at Blacktown Girls.

It is the aim of Blacktown Girls High School to provide a quality education specifically designed to 'make a difference' for girls. As reported both locally and nationally, the excellence of our academic and extra curricula programs have been widely recognised. We have also seen evidence of this in the 'Value Added' data for both HSC & NAPLAN over recent years. Moving into the future, we will continue to offer these high quality programs focusing on preparing our students for life and work in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The school offers enrichment courses and curriculum for Talented Girls in a program which runs parallel to our Selective Class. Mainstream and supported students are also well catered for in our inclusive school.

The evening consist of two parts –

**Firstly** – there will be an information session where you can learn about our school and the benefits of girls only education.

**Then** – you will be invited to browse amongst the faculty displays, where specific information will be available about the excellent programs offered in each Key Learning Area. You will also be able to talk to teachers and students about the school.

For the students attending, we have a range of mini-lessons from different faculties designed to give an idea of the learning activities the students may engage in at our school.

Please pass this invitation on to friends or neighbours who may have a daughter in Year 6.

We look forward to meeting you.

*Jeffrey Lamb*

Jeffrey Lamb  
PRINCIPAL

Rebecca Simm  
Primary/Secondary Liaison

Please return this portion to Ms Simm C- Blacktown Girls High School or Phone 9831 7577 or Fax 9831 7838 or email: rebecca.simm@det.nsw.edu.au by Wednesday 4 March 2020.

Name .....  
Primary School .....  
Number attending: Adults ..... Children .....



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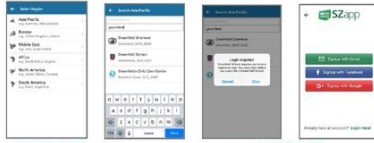
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1. On your device, open the App Store.
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  3. Download and install SZapp.

- Android devices:**
1. On your device, open the Play Store.
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  3. Download and install SZapp.



- 1. FIND YOUR SCHOOL**  
Select your school's region.  
Search for and select your school.
- 2. REGISTER A USER**  
Before you can add your school, you will need to register. Register your Email, or sign in with Google or Facebook.
- 3. REGISTER A USER**  
Enter your email and name and then create a password.
- 4. MANAGING NOTIFICATIONS**  
Choose which groups you would like to receive notifications from. Groups with arrows indicate that there are Sub-groups, which you can join.



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**DO NOT** use this forum to request appointments/interviews with teachers or ask about upcoming events. Should you need to contact a teacher or have a question, please ring the school on 9622 2136 to assist you with your enquiries.

Thanks.

# Facebook



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## SEVEN HILLS WEST IS ON FACEBOOK!

Stay connected and up-to-date with news and upcoming events at Seven Hills West Public School.

Step 1: Log into your personal Facebook account.

Step 2: Search 'Seven Hills West Public School'

Step 3: Click on 'Pages'



Step 4: Like

Please also visit our website [www.sevenhillw-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/](http://www.sevenhillw-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/) for more information, notes and notices.

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# Important



Please note, SHWPS Facebook page is for informing parents of up-coming events/changes in dates/event cancellations and also showcasing photos of students and their events.