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LEADERSHIP HABIT FOR THE FORTNIGHT

Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw

Sharpen the Saw means preserving and enhancing the greatest asset you have--you. It means having a balanced program for re-energising yourself in the four areas of your life: physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual. Feeling good doesn't just happen. Living a life in balance means taking the necessary time to renew yourself. It's all up to you. You can renew yourself through relaxation.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, students and staff,

This is our final newsletter for 2021 ... and a very special one as not only do I say 'goodbye' to our students who are heading onto the school holidays, but I also farewell our Year 6 students.

Our students are a wonderful group of young people who enjoy learning and taking on new challenges. I am immensely proud to be their principal and to support them in their future successes. Thank you to every student at SHWPS for striving and doing their best all year.

For those of you who will be ending your association with SHWPS at the end of the year, I extend to you my best wishes for the future. If your child is leaving Seven Hills West PS prior to graduating from Year 6, we certainly wish that they were remaining with the school and we are sorry that they will not benefit from the excellent variety of challenging academic, social, cultural, and physical programs on offer.

To our graduating Year 6 students, you are now in the final days of 7 years of Primary School education. The excitement of High School is just around the corner & the transition will

present you with many exciting challenges and situations which I hope you accept and involve yourself fully in high school life. As I stated at the Year 6 Farewell Dinner on Wednesday night, you are a special group to me as your support helped us guide a challenging year of COVID restrictions. I know your care, compassion and level of citizenship will prepare you well for the next phase in your education.

Presentation Day

2021 has been a challenging but wonderful year for Seven Hills West PS, with our children engaging in quality learning at school and home. I would like to congratulate every child who received an award on Monday's Presentation day ceremony, but I also want to say 'well done' to every child – whether they received an award or no. If you have done your best throughout the year, then you are a winner and should be very proud of yourself.

Thank you to our students, parents, staff, Admin and Executive team for a wonderful 2021. Despite the challenges of COVID-19 we didn't just 'survive', instead we thrived to create an exciting year of learning together.

Please click on the link below to view our Presentation Assembly:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjFF_ysqZg8

Student Leadership Team for 2022

Every year, students from Year 2 to 5 vote for the student-elected leadership positions. Last week, 13 students in Year 5 students nominated themselves for one of 12 student-elected leadership positions and presented their 'election' speeches to the school. These positions are: School Captain, Vice Captain, Prefect and Sports House Captains.

I congratulate all students who have been elected in these positions. However, I would also like to reassure parents that all Year 6 students in 2022 will have an opportunity to take on leadership roles and responsibilities as part of The Leader in Me program. This teaches students that leadership roles cover a

range of diversity and skills ... and will give everyone a positive experience of school leadership next year.

Congratulations to our 2022 Leadership Team!

Sport House Captains

Koalas – Edwin Jaison & Viniisha Arulnathan

Kookaburras – Kachul Saad & Prerana Deshkulkarni

Kangaroos – Jayke Fielding & Mansi Kaur

Prefects: Tate Bolton and Emele Vatuniaruku

ice Captains: Darsh Ohri and Shuva Khanom

School Captains: Daniel Kestic and Subhali Guha

Thank you, also, to our amazing 2021 Student Leadership Team who have done a brilliant job.

Congratulations to our outgoing school captains (Ashishe Rajaram & Monisha Khanom), Vice Captains (Issac Lal and Taylah Young) and School Leaders (Beren Kilinc, Shreea Karki, Doaa Adam, Esoufa Saibou, Chelsea Major and Eknor Bindra).

Reminder - School Development Day for Term 4 and Start of the 2022 School Year

A gentle reminder that the last day of school for our students will be this **Thursday 16th December**, as our School Development Day for Term 4 will be held on Friday 17th December with staff.

Our Term 1, 2022 School Development Days will be held on the **Friday 28th January and Monday 31st January**.

School will return on the **Tuesday 1st February for Years 1-6** students.

Kindergarten will return on the Wednesday 3rd February, 2021 after the Best Start interviews are conducted.

Thank You

Many elements combine to make Seven Hills West the excellent school that it is, namely our wonderful teachers, students and parents. Firstly, a highly professional and dedicated staff team work together to provide a nurturing and quality teaching environment where all students are encouraged to achieve their personal best in all that they do.

Thank you to every staff member for their wonderful commitment to the children at Seven Hills West Public School. I would also like to acknowledge the support of my Executive Team in 2021: Nicole Neylan, Regina Kennedy, Katie Gardiner, Jee Kim, Rebecca Mortlock, Alison Cole, Louise Gatt, Anshu Radhakrishnan and Natalie Roche. They have guided their teams with vision, generosity and commitment. I would also like to personally thank each and every teacher, SASS and SLSO staff member at our school. Our school has thrived in 2021 because of your amazing talents and dedication.

Our school is so very fortunate to enjoy outstanding levels of P&C support. Schools can operate without parental help; however, they do not operate as efficiently nor effectively without this help. On behalf of Seven Hills West Public School, many thanks to:

President: Minal Gandhi

Vice President: Meha Raut

Secretary: Sarli Guha

Treasurer: Susan Cooper

Auditor: Rahul Guha

Uniform Shop: Susan Cooper, Kellie White and Rania Fahel

It is a wonderful feeling when parents, students and staff work together to create a quality teaching environment that enables our children to obtain the best possible education. This is certainly the situation at Seven Hills West. My personal thanks to Susan Cooper and Rahul Guha who worked extra hard behind the scenes to support our school and P&C projects during 2021.

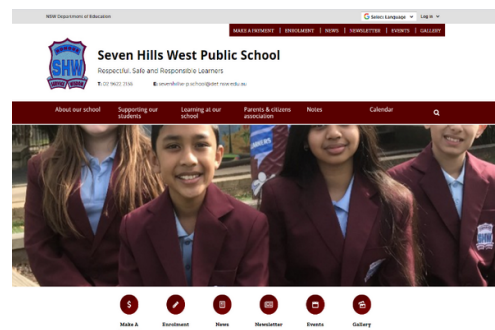
As we say goodbye to 2021, I would like to acknowledge the contributions of several staff who are taking on new opportunities in 2022. Farewell to Daniel Nunan, Matthew Asplin and Guneet Chanana who will be commencing wonderful adventures at their new schools next year! Thank you for the great job you did to support our students and school during 2021.

From all of us at Seven Hills West Public School, be safe and enjoy the school holidays. For those who celebrate Christmas, I wish you a very Merry Christmas. May you all also have a Happy New Year and start of 2022!

Best wishes,
Shanti Clements
Principal

Check out the Seven Hills West Public School Website:

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

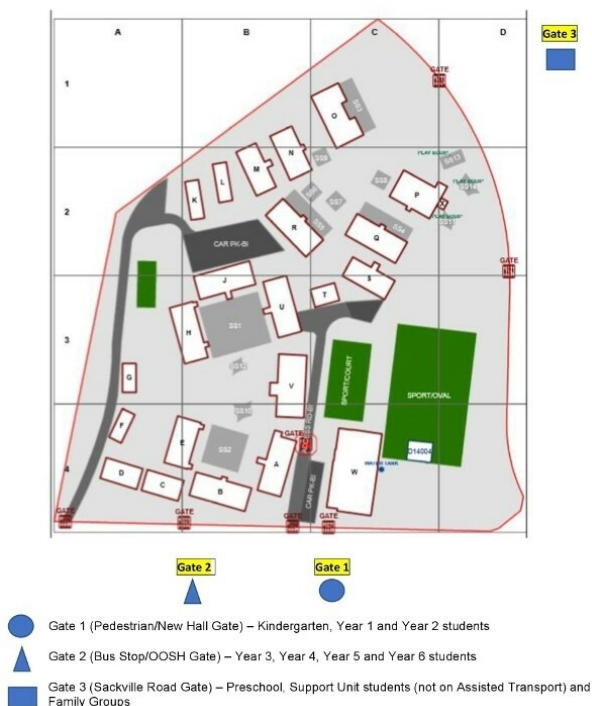


For all up-to-date newsletters, policies, calendar events and class information, please regularly visit the school website (hosted by NSW Department of Education).

We also upload the school newsletter each fortnight and send it to parents via the Schoolzine service.

GATES

Map of Drop-Off and Pick-Up Gates



We're all in this together



Everyone Stay Safe

Stay updated via:

Facebook

Schoolzine

Seven Hills West website



PLEASE NOTE:

During LEVEL 4 lockdown – **GATE 1** (Lucas Road – at School Hall) is the **ONLY** gate for entering and exiting the school.

COVID-Safe School Operational Plan

Overview	Guidance on mask wearing
<p>Level 1 School operating in a COVID-safe/COVID-normal way</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools can operate in a COVID-normal way. Students and staff do not attend school if they have symptoms. Report COVID-19 risk exposure prior to returning to school. Parents, carers and visitors are allowed on-site. On-site infection and disease response for staff and visitors. COVID safety plans required in line with NSW Health advice (such as large gatherings or events). Activities such as singing, chanting, choral, bands and school performances allowed in line with broader health settings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From school region in line with community open guidelines. Continuity use in line with broader health settings. SMSM (generally) provided on-site and where cleaned/operational. Continuity language (English) operational. PBC on site. Additional cleaning measures to place. Further detailed guidance available on the Department's website.
<p>Level 2 COVID-safe restrictions on activities and non-essential visitors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities such as singing, chanting, choral, bands and school performances allowed in outdoor settings only. Activities must meet COVID-Safe practice (closure and occupancy) where an outdoor. Non-essential visitors not allowed on-site (including parents and carers). Mask wearing requirements. Staff identified as vulnerable supported to work from home. Activities such as singing, chanting, choral, bands and school performances allowed in outdoor settings only. Activities must meet COVID-Safe practice (closure and occupancy) where an outdoor. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities within Local Government Area only, and where appropriate, supported to be outdoor and with cooling/shade. Further detailed guidance available on the Department's website. While in indoor settings in schools, students to wear face coverings and maintain distance from staff, and all students to wear 2 good masks.
<p>Level 3 COVID-safe further restrictions on activities and non-essential visitors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities such as singing, chanting, choral, bands and school performances not permitted. No assemblies. No excursions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No community use beyond early childhood services and OOSH services. No outdoor singing. No SMSM (generally) provided on-site and where cleaned. No Community language (English) school on site. Further detailed guidance available on the Department's website. While in indoor settings in schools, students to wear face coverings and maintain distance from staff, and all students to wear 2 good masks.
<p>Level 4 Learning from home encouraged; schools are open for families who need it</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents are encouraged to keep their children at home, with no students to be sent away. School activities planned to support continuity of education for all students learning from home. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where students and staff are at school, Level 2 guidelines apply, except: No community use beyond early childhood services. No excursions. Further detailed guidance available on the Department's website. While in indoor settings in schools, students to wear face coverings and maintain distance from staff, and all students to wear 2 good masks.

Automated Pedestrian Gate 1

Our new automated pedestrian gate at Gate 1 is now in operation.



Please be aware that Gate 1 will be open from 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 3.30pm daily.

Should you need to enter the school at other times during the day – please press the buzzer – wait for the Admin office to respond – then wait until the gate opens before entering.

Please DO NOT push or pull on the gate.

You will also need to press the buzzer when exiting and wait for the Admin office to respond – again, please wait until the gate opens before exiting.

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 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!**

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

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.

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:

- Learn
- Make friends
- Build skills through fun

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss weeks per year and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight = 4 weeks = Over 1 year missed

1 day per week = 8 weeks = Over 2.5 years missed

Deputy Principal's Message

ICAS Writing

Congratulations to the following students who completed the ICAS Writing. Certificates will be included in the Semester 2 reports.

Year 3

Zain – Participation
Arav – Participation
Avnoor - Participation

Year 4

Dev – Credit
Diya – Merit
Charumeena – Merit

Year 5

Mansi – Participation
Preana - Participation

Year 6

Sanchanaa - Participation

Colour Run / Fun Day

CONGRATULATION SEVEN HILLS WEST WE RAISED A TOTAL OF \$3,069.

We were all very excited with the Colour Run / Fun which took place on Tuesday 14th December.

A great day was had by all. Thanks to the teachers for organising activities to celebrate another year of great learning.

Mrs K Gardiner
Deputy Principal

STAGE UPDATES

Preschool

Thank you,

Miss Natalie Roche and Mrs Sharon North
Early Childhood Teacher

Early Stage 1

The end of 2021!

Thank you for an amazing year!!!

A year to be and learn about ourselves,

A year to become and grow,

And year to find our place of belonging as we start our
adventure of learning.



We have loved helping to grow 'Great Human Beings Everyday!' We have investigated, explored and played with our friends.

We wish the Emu's and Wombat's a great start to Kindergarten.

Miss N Roche and Mrs S North – Preschool Educators

Stage 1

1N

The year is coming to an end but 1N are still powering on with their learning and producing some quality work in all areas.

Reflecting upon the year I am impressed with the development of 1N students academically, socially and emotionally!

We are going to thoroughly enjoy the last week of school. I wish them a great holiday break which they deserve very much!

Mr D Nunan – Classroom Teacher

2A

2A have been working very hard over the last two weeks. We have been finishing our Imaginative Writing stories which proved to be very creative and entertaining. We have wrapped our reading groups and it has been very pleasing to see all the students improve so much in their reading confidence.

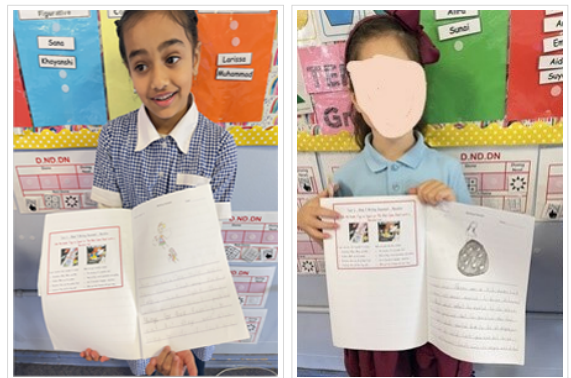
We have also been looking at patterns and algebra and also position as part of our mathematics work. In history we have been learning about specific celebrations based on various countries and cultures and identifying how we celebrate certain events.

Next week we have our Fun Day/Colour Run so it will be a busy final week of school. I wish everyone a very happy holiday season.

Mr M Asplin – Classroom Teacher

1G

1G have focused on the narrative text type this term. They have read many quality texts to learn about how to properly structure of a narrative. They have been 'Awesome Authors' and used their imaginations to write their own stories. Here are just two of the very engaging and entertaining texts that they wrote as part of their end of term writing assessments.



Jasmeh

Bella

Ms L Gatt – Classroom Teacher

2R

2R have been busy bees these two weeks writing beautiful narrative texts and learning about area and number patterns.

The students were very happy that Teddy Brown was also working very hard with them.

Students created their weather devices using recycled materials during science with Ms Hossain. 2R should be very proud of their achievements throughout the year.

Mrs Radhakrishnan wishes you a wonderful holiday and is looking forward to seeing you all next year.



Ms S Judge – Classroom Teacher

K/6M have worked diligently this term and during a small break in the weather we ventured outside for some relaxation. First we worked on our verandah and when our work was finished we created bubbles. It was wonderful to see such happy faces!



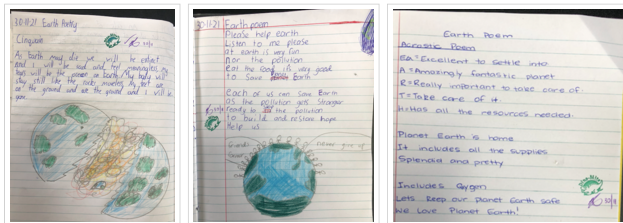
Mrs A Radhakrishnan – Classroom Teacher

Stage 2 and 3

What a term it has been in 5C, we have settled back into class beautifully and have been hard at work learning as much as we can before the end of the year.

We have been learning about different types of poetry this fortnight. We have learnt about haiku, odes, acrostic and cinquain poetry as well as some of the different types of literary techniques we can use in our poems.

Check out some of our amazing poems that we have created.



Miss A Cole – Classroom Teacher

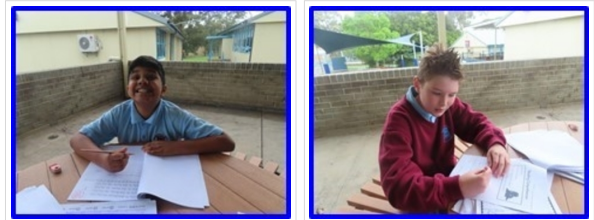
Support Unit

3-6C have been working very hard to complete beautiful pieces of narrative work, as well as excellent mathematics work.

We spent some of our time under the watchful eye of Teddy Brown before he moved on to stay with another class.

We've been following our 7 Habits and meeting goals in all areas. 3-6C would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

A very special good luck to our Year 6 students Esoufa, Hayley and Tye, who are transitioning to high school. We will miss you very much!



I wish all our fabulous families a wonderful break and special wishes to Beau as he begins a new chapter of his life in high school.

Mrs M Moon – Classroom Teacher

LIBRARY NEWS

STEM think and imagination first projects

A huge thanks to all SHWPS students for working enthusiastically on their design thinking projects. In Term 4, different stages started different projects according to their focus area. These projects were a huge success and focused on a variety of real-world problems. All students eagerly participated in their projects!

Early Stage 1

Early stage 1 inquired, planned, investigated, and developed solutions to an authentic problem to protect their favourite toy from the changes in weather. They applied their understanding of scientific concepts and created a habitat for their injured animal to rest and recover. They made necessary arrangements, such as, water, food, and shelter, which supported the survival of the animal.



Stage 1

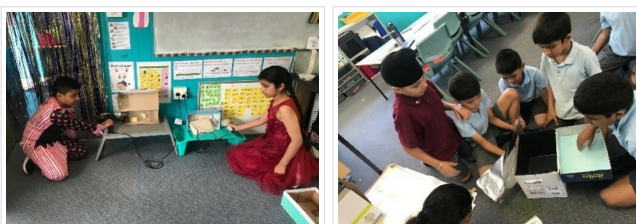
Stage 1 students investigated the changes that occur in the sky and landscape due to Earth's rotation and revolution. Students learnt about the counterclockwise rotation of Earth. By making a human powered solar system model, they experimented with Earth's revolution around the Sun and learnt about different seasons. Students created wind vanes that helped them to predict the weather and develop their understanding of incoming weather conditions.



Stage 2

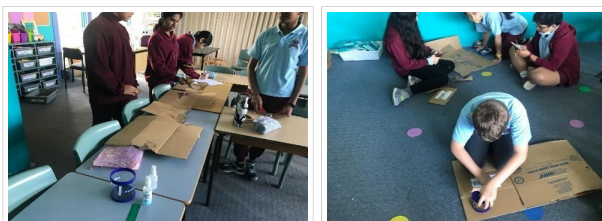
Stage 2 Students learnt about the Sun's size and its composition.

Students also researched about Sun's energy source of life on the Earth and renewable energy. They tested materials and created a solar oven by applying the design and thinking process. Through active testing, students suggested improvements for the design. An excellent week of creative, futuristic thinking and learning!



Stage 3

Students participated on a Mars rover expedition. They explored the surface of Mars, discussing different features of the terrain. Students imagined the possible problems and needs of an explorer on Mars, and thoughtfully presented viable solutions. They are creating a Martian habitat and a model rover, which address the shortfalls of the current rover.



K-6 classes

Students participated in differentiated and creative learning activities. Students learnt about the weather and the application of wind vanes. They applied this to their daily living by creating their own wind vanes. Some students also learnt about renewable energy and created wind turbines, whereas other students created a habitat for their injured animal. All students

participated actively, pushing boundaries of knowledge and created interesting solutions to real world problems.



Premier's Reading Completed with great success



Congratulations to all SHWPS students for completing the Premier's Reading challenge! For the first time at SHWPS, 100% students have complete the challenge

All students will soon be receiving their certificates for completing the challenge.

Thanks
Mrs S Gupta

COVID-19 VACCINATION – Let's Do This

Let's do this – book your COVID-19 vaccination today

People across NSW are getting vaccinated in extraordinary numbers. Even during these challenging times, people are working together to protect themselves, their loved ones and our community. Each vaccination brings us closer to getting back to doing the things we love.

But our work is not yet done. We need many more people to step forward and get vaccinated now. COVID-19 vaccination with two doses reduces the chance of you spreading the virus to those around you and gives you around 90% protection against hospitalisation and death. It's also a way you can support our healthcare and essential workers who are caring and providing for those who need it most.

How to book your vaccination

Everyone 16 and over can get a COVID-19 vaccine. Appointments are available at more than 2,000 GPs, pharmacies, Aboriginal Medical Services and NSW Health vaccination clinics across NSW. Speak to your local GP or pharmacist or visit nsw.gov.au to make a booking. Appointments are also now available for those aged 12 - 15 who are National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participants, have health conditions, identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander or who live in a rural area.

COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective and free.

Don't delay

The risk of COVID-19 in the community is high. It can cause serious illness and death. You can't predict who will get very unwell.

For the latest information visit nsw.gov.au or contact the National COVID-19 Vaccine Helpline on 1800 020 080, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For a free telephone interpreter, ring TIS National on 131 450 (24-hour helpline) and say the language you need. Ask the interpreter to connect you to the COVID-19 Vaccine Helpline.

The sooner we are protected, the sooner we can get visitors to our regions, travel, and get family back home and our state back to business. Let's do this, together.



NOT RETURNING 2022

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2022

As the end of year is fast approaching - it would be appreciated if you would advise the office if your child **is not returning** to Seven Hills West in **2022**.

This will assist us in organising classes in 2022.

There is **no need** to advise us if your child is **currently in Year 6** and heading off to high school next year.



CALENDAR

TERM 4 - 2021

Planning Sheet for Term 4 ~ 2021					
10	Monday 6	Tuesday 7 UNIFORM SHOP 8.30-9.30 Online ORDERS	Wednesday 8 Year 6 Farewell Dinner 5pm-8pm <i>Farewell Dinner</i>	Thursday 9	Friday 10
11	Monday 13	Tuesday 14 UNIFORM SHOP 8.30-9.30 Online ORDERS <i>COLOUR RUN</i>	Wednesday 15 P&C	Thursday 16 LAST DAY TERM 4 <i>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</i>	Friday 17 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
	Monday 20	Tuesday 21	Wednesday 22	Thursday 23	Friday 24 CHRISTMAS EVE
	Monday 27	Tuesday 28	Wednesday 29	Thursday 30	Friday 31 NEW YEARS EVE

TERM 1 - 2022

Planning Sheet for Term 1 ~ 2022					
1	JANUARY Monday 24	Tuesday 25	Wednesday 26 AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Thursday 27	Friday 28 Staff Development Day
2	Monday 31 Staff Development Day	FEBRUARY Tuesday 1 Years 1-6 return <i>Back to School</i> Kindergarten Best Start - by Appointment <i>Best Start</i> UNIFORM SHOP 8.30am-9.30am	Wednesday 2 FOOTSTEPS Dance <i>DANCE</i> Kindergarten Best Start - by Appointment <i>Best Start</i>	Thursday 3 Kindergarten Start <i>Welcome to Kindergarten</i> UNIFORM SHOP 8.30am-9.30am	Friday 4

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

P & C News

Hoping that all our families are staying safe and well. Please keep updated via Schoolzine and FaceBook.

Uniform Shop

Our Uniform Shop is temporarily closed.



ONLINE AND OFFICE ORDERS

Should you wish to place an order, please download the order form from our website - or see attached - and send to the office.



**Seven Hills West Public School
Uniform Shop, Price List**

P&C Association.
Since 1st effective for 2022.
Uniform Shop Hours: Tuesday mornings 8:30am to 9:30am.
(Cash, Cheque (no epos or credit cards)
Or by filling in the order form below with correct money in an envelope to the office.

UNIFORM - ALL Size 4-16	SPORTS UNIFORM - ALL Size 4-16
SKY BLUE POLO SHIRT - with SCHOOL EMBLEM \$20.00	MAROON POLO SHIRT \$24.00
BOYS GREY SHORTS \$19.00	MAROON SPORT SHORTS \$15.00
GIRLS MAROON SKORTS \$25.00	HOUSE COLOUR SHIRTS \$ 8.00
GIRLS MAROON SKIRT/SKORT \$21.00	KOALA - RED
GIRLS SUMMER DRESS \$21.00	KANGAROO - YELLOW
	KOOKABURRA - GREEN
WINTER UNIFORM - ALL Size 4-16	ACCESSORIES
SKY BLUE POLO LONG SLEEVE - with SCHOOL EMBLEM \$23.00	MAROON SCHOOL HAT - with SCHOOL EMBLEM
BOYS GREY LONG PANTS \$21.00	SLOUCH - small/medium/large \$15.00
MAROON FLEECE V-NECK JUMPER - with SCHOOL EMBLEM \$24.00	LEGIONNAIRE - one size \$10.00
MAROON FLEECE ZIP JACKET - with SCHOOL EMBLEM \$27.00	CAP - one size \$10.00
MAROON TRACKPANTS DOUBLE KNEE \$24.00	SUNGLASSES \$15.00
	MAROON SCHOOL BAGS (until sold out) \$35.00
	HI-VIZ SCHOOL BAG \$30.00

Pre-loved uniforms for sale from \$1.00 donation. Donations of pre-loved uniforms ALWAYS accepted.
DIRECT PAYMENT - BSB 082-365 ACCOUNT NO: 271631859 - SHWPS P&C Account

ORDER FORM

Please return to office with payment in an envelope

CHILD'S NAME: CLASS:

ORDER: SIZE: \$
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TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ RECEIPT NO:

Payment can be made either by cash or direct payment into the P&C Account (please add receipt number to your order form):

BSB: 082-365

Account No: 271631859

Account Name: Seven Hills West Public School Uniform Account

Once the order has been filled we will either give it to your child or phone and advise it is ready for collection.

P & C Committee

Flexischools is temporarily not operating.

We will communicate when it can re-commence operation.



Food for school

Please be mindful - if sending food with students that requires a spoon or fork - kindly ensure you send utensils with your child. We are unable to supply these to the students.



REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure your child has a refillable water bottle each day so they can stay hydrated during the school day.



Additionally, a frozen popper in the lunch box will defrost by lunchtime and be refreshing for your child to drink.

OOSH PICK UP/DROP GATE

SEVEN HILLS WEST OOSH

Parents who are dropping off or collecting students from OOSH please remember to use Gate 2.

Please **DO NOT USE** driveway gate.

Important Reminders

ALLERGY ALERT

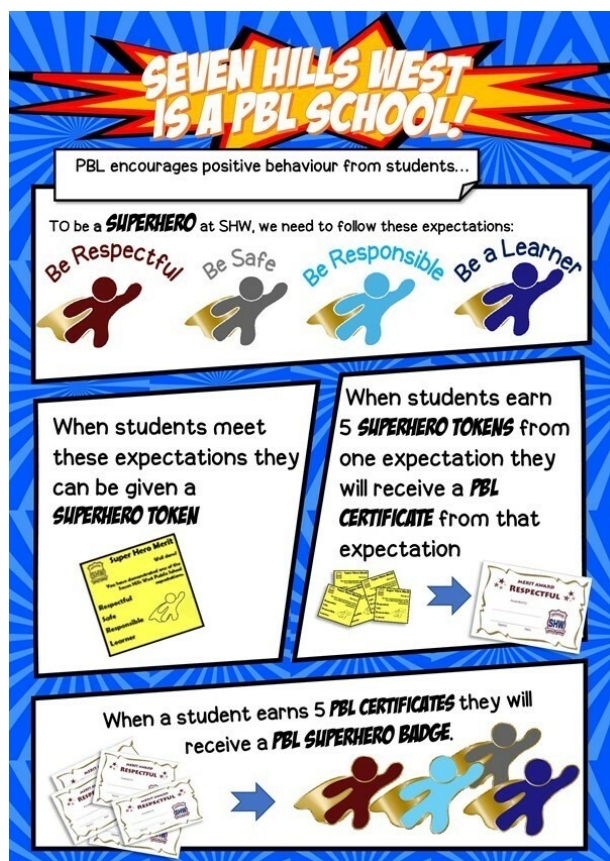
In the interests of the health and safety of all our students please ensure that your child does not bring anything to school for recess or lunch which contains nut and/or egg products. This will include peanut butter or Nutella spread on sandwiches, peanut butter dippers, snack packs with nuts and nut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

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.

Additionally – our supplies for Years 3-6 have also depleted (shorts/skorts/shirts/underwear).

Any donations of clothing (not jumpers) for students K-6 would be greatly appreciated.

We thank you for your support in this matter.

SHWPS Administration Office

Birthday Cakes

Until further notice – birthday cakes/lolly bags/party bags (including party favours bags) and **ANY** shared foods **ARE NOT** permitted.

We will keep you updated with when this can begin again.

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.

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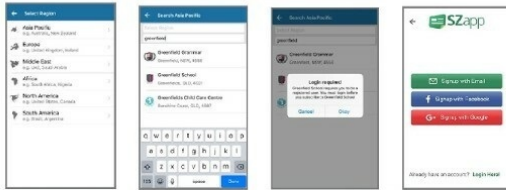


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Important



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.

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.